

TOURNAMENT PROCEDURE ADDENDUM BACK2GOLF HAWAII | THE GAME AND BUSINESS OF GOLF

These procedures have been approved for Oahu Golf Courses to continue operating under **Hawaii Golf Phase 4**. The BACK2GOLF **version 5** playbook was updated by the national allied golf associations on **November 20, 2020** with approval from the White House and CDC “Guidelines Opening Up America Again.” The Playbook is a specific three-phase approach to help reopen Hawaii’s golf industry and has been approved by state and county agencies.

Hawaii Golf Phase 4 (HGP-4) is a hybrid plan of the National CDC BACK2GOLF Playbook and is designed to manage the business of the game while ensuring public health and safety. Under these guidelines for BACK2GOLF Hawaii all facilities statewide shall adhere to these guidelines and seek guidance from the PGA of America – Aloha Section as needed.

The **Tournament Procedure Addendum** is a plan to allow competitive events larger than twenty-five (25) players and shotgun tournaments on Oahu. The addendum will remain in effect through the Emergency Period of the Order for all Oahu Golf Courses to follow. Below address state and county concerns regarding touch points which all golf course operators and players will need to enforce. This Tournament Addendum to the BACK2GOLF Hawaii is a multiple phase plan, is designed to work in collaboration with guidance of local health agencies, the offices of each county Mayor and the office of the Governor of the State of Hawaii. For the purpose of this document the following definitions are provided for clarity.

- **MUST** – means the item, task or activity is a requirement.
- **SHOULD** – is considered a best practice to be followed during COVID operations but no required.
- **RECOMMENDED** – is a suggestion to be followed but no obligated to do so during COVID operations.
- **MAY** – means the action or activity is permissible with proper PPE and CDC social distancing practices.
- **PPE** – refers to Personal Protective Equipment.

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1. Course operational guidelines **must** comply with the current phase of the BACK2GOLF Hawaii Guidelines.
2. Shotgun and Charity tournaments are permitted and **must** comply with the following guidelines:
 - a. Effective **October 13, 2021** through the Emergency Period, golf tournament with twenty-five (25) competitors or more will be allowed on Oahu.
 - b. All participants **must** provide proof of full (COVID-19) vaccination prior to the tournament. A negative result from a PCR COVID test (or similar) will not be accepted.
 - c. The tournament organization shall be held responsible to obtain, track and share proof of each participants vaccination. If the tournament organizer is not the facility, then the third-party organizer **must** provide proof to the host facility within 24-hours of the event or any time upon request.
 - d. Participants in youth sports, junior golf associations, high school golf teams and collegiate golf teams must follow the Hawaii Department of Health’s (DOH) “Guidance and Considerations for Return to Youth Sports” policies. All adult volunteers for these organized sports **must** show proof of being fully vaccinated to be involved with these types of activities.
3. The capacity of a shotgun tournament shall not exceed 180 players. Shotgun events larger than 180 players **must** provide a mitigation plan to the Aloha Section PGA who will seek approval from the county. The plan should be submitted no later than three weeks before the event.
4. Golf Carts should be staged in a safe manner, social distanced and in pods of small groups safely spread out in the staging area.
5. Pre and Post tournament activities are approved so long as in-door and outdoor guidelines are followed.
6. All retail operations **must** comply with Hawaii Retail and business service requirements of the order.
7. All restaurant operations **must** comply with Restaurant/Bar requirements of the order.
8. Banquet Food Service **must** comply with seating guidelines and table sizes for indoor and outdoor. Commingling between tables is prohibited.

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