



COVID Safe Guidelines for Disc golf

Effective: February 2022

Purpose

The Covid landscape has changed since the last ADG guidelines implemented in May 2020. These updated guidelines outline what is required to participate in and run disc golf events in Australia. The scope of the Covid Guidance includes local leagues, small events, and tournaments making up the ADG tour. These guidelines have been put together considering that disc golf is a non-contact sport played outdoors in small groups.

Requirements for Participation

Players, officials and spectators (participants) **must not** attend an event if they:

- have a confirmed or suspected case of COVID-19
- have any COVID like symptoms
- are required to self-isolate in accordance with current local government policy

Participants **must**:

- Be an ADG member with up to date contact details recorded if they are either a player or official.
- Check event communications to keep up to date on how the event will run and under what conditions
- Understand that some events will implement measures above local requirements, such as the need to be vaccinated, use QR codes to check in or wear a face mask to participate.
- Follow all event requirements
- For events with a vaccination mandate, proof of vaccination status must be provided to the TD on request. Participants who are not vaccinated or choose not to share their vaccination status won't be able to compete.
- For other events, you are encouraged to share your vaccination status if asked by the Tournament Director (TD), however you may also choose not to share that information.
- Contact event organisers and relevant health authorities if diagnosed with COVID-19 in the week following the event.
- Cease play and alert event organisers if feeling unwell or experiencing any of the known Covid symptoms during the event.
- Assess their own risk considering their age, medical conditions, situation and contacts.
- Incorporate COVID safe practices into play

- Practice social distancing of 1.5 m.
- Ensure tee box is clear before entering.
- Avoid touching other participants' person -no handshakes, high 5s, hugs etc.
- Avoid touching other participants' discs, equipment and belongings.
- Wash hands often with soap and water or use hand sanitizer.

Event Requirements

Events must be run per local public health orders in place on the day of the event. It is essential to be prepared to respond to changes in your area. TDs and clubs running events may implement measures above their local requirements, such as the need to meet a defined minimum level of vaccination, use QR codes to check-in or wear a mask to participate. Such requirements should be clearly stipulated in event information provided prior and at time of registration. Those wishing to implement such measures for event staff or players have the support of ADG.

Event Organisers must

- Be aware of local public health orders and restrictions and abide by them.
- Communicate with players about how the event will run using the event website, facebook page or mailing lists – where practical in advance of registration.
- Retain an attendance record of all participants names and contact details, including player groupings
- Have hand sanitizer available for participants to use when they arrive and prior to leaving.
- Remind participants to socially distance, and of their other obligations as detailed above.

Event considerations:

- Avoid gatherings of participants as much as practical, for example hold players meetings and award ceremonies online, post groups and scores online.
- For larger groups use Tee-times, flex start or 'go straight to your hole' shotgun starts to avoid entrants gathering.
- Use electronic scoring systems
- Collect payment and registrations online.

In the event of a COVID case at an event

Participants must

- Inform event organisers if they are feeling unwell during the event or if they are diagnosed with COVID-19 in the week following the event.

Event Organisers must

- Respect the individual's privacy and not name the individual in any future correspondence to the playing group.
- Alert other participants that they were possibly exposed at the event and to monitor for symptoms.
- Seek advice from relevant health authorities if there are any high-risk concerns (eg high-risk population, significant time spent indoors etc).

Failure to comply

Anyone not complying with these guidelines or abusing TDs, officials or other players will have their ADG membership, and therefore the ability to play disc golf events in Australia, reviewed.