

Keilor Public Golf Course Extreme Weather Policy

This Extreme Weather policy is written in line with recommendations from Golf Australia, where required by Sports Medicine Australia's policies and guidelines, and current Brimbank City Council regulations for Keilor Public Golf Course.

Extreme Heat Policy

Team members at Keilor Golf Course will initiate the following rules when the temperature is reported to have raised above 30 degrees at the course according to the website observations found here - BOM website

Throughout the year, sun protection, hydration and caution are always advised at Keilor Public Golf Course. In addition:

- If, at 6am, the Bureau of Meteorology website reports weather conditions above 37 degrees for the day, daily competitions will be cancelled. Players can play socially at their own volition, and social groups using the course may run their own independent competition that is not administered by course staff.
- If, at 6am, the Bureau of Meteorology website reports weather conditions above 37 degrees for the day, all players will be required to play as a group of 2 or more, without exception. Regular checks at the driving range will occur.
- If temperatures are exceeding 39 degrees, or above at any time, the course and driving range will be deemed unsafe for participation and closed.

When the course and driving range are deemed unsafe for play, the siren will be rung until all players are safely removed from the golf course. It is imperative all players leave the course and driving range although they may remain around the golf shop.

Wind Policy

The Bureau of Meteorology doppler readings for wind speed at Melbourne Airport are used. Play is to be suspended following three readings (each 10min apart) of wind speed exceeding 70kms per hour.

A loud siren will be activated, and all players must mark their ball and return immediately to inside the clubhouse and await further instruction.

In circumstances when wind speeds are less than 70kms per hour, however considered dangerous, discretion to suspend play rests with the Golf Course Manager. Resumption of play will require three consecutive BOM wind speed readings below 70kms per hour.

Lightning Policy

When a lightning strike is within 10km of the facility, play on the course and the use of all facilities will be immediately suspended.

A loud siren will be activated, and all players must mark their ball and return to inside the clubhouse immediately and await further information.

Play on the course, as well as all facilities will resume when there have been no lightning strikes within 10km for a period of at least 30 minutes.

Frost Policy

The following procedures are implemented when frost is present on the golf course.

- Ground staff are to notify the Golf Shop that the course will be closed until further notice.
- Once frost begins to reduce, play will resume with agreement between the Manager and Course Superintendent. Those with tee times that have been lost due to the delay will have priority in order of lapsed time to restart their rounds accordingly.

Fog Policy

- Guidelines for when a fog is present on the golf course limiting player and staff visibility and safety.
 - The Golf Shop staff have authority to suspend play until fog clears.
 - Signage to be placed on the 1st & 10th tees.
 - Conditions will be continually assessed, and the Golf Shop staff notified of any changes.
 - When the flag on the first hole is visible from the 1st tee white markers, play will be resumed
 - Once the Golf Shop reopens play, golfers are to ensure the group in front are clearly visible before playing shots.
 - Those with tee times that have been lost due to the delay will have priority in order of lapsed time to restart their rounds accordingly.

Golfers are reminded that a decision to commence play is dependent on the whole course being clear of fog, not necessarily just at the precinct.

In the event that fog rolls-in or returns after play has commenced, a siren will sound the suspension of play. All players must mark their ball, return to the clubhouse and await further direction.