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## Castlemaine Golf Club

### Extreme Heat Policy

Should the forecast temperature on the day before any club competition or the day be **38 degrees or more** (as indicated on the bom.gov.au website for Castlemaine, by 4.00pm the day prior), the following will result:

- The course will remain open for members to play at their own discretion but not in the competition if they do not commence their round prior to 9:00am
- The club administration will inform the members of modified competition times at or after 4:00pm on the day prior to the competition.
- Players must book their tee time via the **onegolf** booking site located on the CGC homepage or on the **onegolf** app.
- Start times commencing at 6:56am and concluding at 8:56am will be available on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> tees.
- Once the forecast temperature reaches 38°C the club advises members not to play; if members decide to play, they do so at their own risk.
- If a day of extreme heat occurs when the program states it is a Monthly Medal or a Gold Letter event, the event will be transferred to a date to be determined.
- If a day of extreme heat occurs when the program states the competition is a shot gun start, the start time or competition will be changed.
- Golfers are advised to take appropriate action to prevent heat stress including wearing a wide brimmed hat and carrying sufficient water to maintain hydration and resting in the club house between nines for a short time if required.
- Golfers are advised that there is no fresh water available on the first nine.

#### **Rationale:**

1. The Club has a duty of care to its members and seeks to take a reasonable approach to days of extreme heat.
2. The Club is cognisant of advice given by the GA and Sports Medicine Australian and expressed in the GA Hot Weather Guidelines.
3. The Club is concerned for the health and well-being of all of its members.
4. There are many members who are more than 60 years of age.
5. Cancellation or adjustment to the recommended conditions of play as shown above in the dot points is advice from the Club that it considers that it is too hot for play.
6. Golfers who play on days of extreme heat do so at their own risk. Members are advised to take appropriate actions to prevent heat stress.
7. The members will have certainty and will know from the forecast on the evening weather report what to expect on the following day.