

The UK Government has announced a complete lockdown of England with immediate effect.

This means everyone must work from home where possible, except for critical workers, and it will supersede all local restrictions currently in place.

Golf clubs, golf facilities – both indoor and outdoor – and driving ranges will be required to close during this full lockdown. As such, coaching will not be permitted.

Golf retailers will be able to operate a click-and-collect service where goods are pre-ordered and either collected off the premises or delivered.

England Golf – as part of the All-Party Parliamentary Group for Golf along with other leading industry bodies – is extremely disappointed with the news, having made a strong case in recent months to keep golf open during the national lockdowns and in the regional tier system.

It is with great regret that we share this news with you, but please be assured that we will continue to make the case for golf to reopen whenever possible.

The England Golf website and social channels are regularly updated and we will communicate any new information as soon as it is available.

*\*The All Party Parliamentary Group for Golf (APPGG) consists of MPs and Peers from any political party working with industry bodies to provide direction for golf during the COVID-19 crisis. The group is chaired by Craig Tracey (MP for North Warwickshire), with the industry represented by the following organisations: American Golf; The Belfry; the British and International Golf Greenkeepers Association; the British Golf Industry Association; England Golf; the Golf Club Managers' Association; Golf Ireland; the Golfing Union of Ireland; the Irish Ladies' Golf Union; IMG; The Professional Golfers' Association; PING; The R&A; Scottish Golf; Syngenta; the UK Golf Federation; Wales Golf*