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Dear Member,

REGULATIONS ISSUED IN TERMS OF THE DISASTER MANAGEMENT ACT

On the 18th of March 2020, the Minister of Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs, Dr Nkosazana Dlamini-Zuma, gazetted regulations in terms of Section 27(2) of the Disaster Management Act of 2002, in order to put further steps in place to combat COVID-19. These regulations are to be implemented with immediate effect, and directly impact on many business and institutions, including clubs like WPCC. The new regulations that directly impact WPCC are, per Paragraph 8 of the gazetted Regulations:

Limitation on the sale, dispensing or transportation of liquor

8. (1) All on-consumption premises selling liquor, including taverns, restaurants and clubs, must be closed with immediate effect, **or must accommodate no more than 50 persons at any time**: Provided that adequate space is available and that all directions in respect of hygienic conditions and limitation of exposure to persons with COVID-19, are adhered to.

(2) All premises selling liquor which provide accommodation must implement measures to stop the spread of COVID-19: Provided that adequate space is available and that all directions in respect of hygienic conditions and limitation of exposure to persons with COVID-19 are adhered to.

(3) No special or events liquor licenses may be considered for approval during the duration of the national state of disaster.

(4) All on-consumption premises selling liquor referred to in subregulation (1) **must be closed** —

(i) **between 18:00 and 09:00 the next morning on weekdays and Saturdays**; and

(ii) **from 13:00 on Sundays and public holidays**.

(5) All off-consumption premises selling liquor must be closed — (i) between 18:00 and 09:00 the next morning on weekdays and Saturdays; and (ii) from 13:00 on Sundays and public holidays.

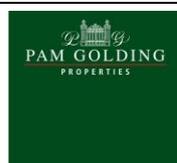
The impact of the new regulations on WPCC is as follows:

1. We may not have more than 50 people in the Sports Centre at any one time;
2. The Club will be closed from 6pm to 9am Mondays to Saturday, and from 1pm on Sundays until 9am on Monday mornings

Contravention of these regulations may lead to a fine or imprisonment not exceeding 6 months. Clearly, WPCC will abide by these regulations.

50 people is a very small number of people. We have already pulled our staff complement down to a skeleton staff. In order to limit the number of people (which includes our staff) in the facility to 50 – as required by law – we are implementing the following with immediate effect:

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1. Members only are allowed in to the Clubhouse. No guests are permitted in to the Clubhouse, in order to protect members access
2. The Bowls Clubhouse will be locked down
3. The Tennis Clubhouse will be locked down
4. The swimming pool will be closed
5. There will be a single access point in to the Clubhouse, being the main reception. All other access points will be locked
6. Usage of the squash courts for members will be limited to 3 squash courts, playing singles only. Both players on court must be members
7. Usage of the indoor nets for members will be limited to 2 indoor nets, with only 2 people in each net at any given time. Both people using the nets must be members
8. We will have a physical counter at the entrance indicating the number of people on-site at any given time. If we reach 50, no-one else may enter until someone leaves.
9. On Sundays or Public Holidays, the bar will not open, seeming as it would only be open from 11am to 1pm.
10. The same will apply regarding the bar this Saturday the 21st of March, which is a public holiday. In addition, the Club will close at 1pm per public holiday trading hours.

I am aware that some of these decisions appear draconian, but in order to be fair to sporting members and non-sporting members alike, and in order to ensure we do not transgress the law, we need to implement these. These are extraordinary times.

At a time of national crisis, we are all required, as a community, to do our part. COVID-19 is already having a profound effect on the wellbeing of WPCC – as it is on the lives and businesses of everyone in South Africa and around the world - and we trust that these regulations, and adherence to these regulations, will lead to a speedy improvement in the situation, and a return to some form of normality.

We shall keep you informed as and when we receive any updates or relaxation of these regulations.

Yours sincerely

Duncan de Groot
Club Chairman

Per: WPCC Executive Committee
Mr John Vicars
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