

20-Ghost Club Events – Guidelines on the effects of Covid-19.

Introduction: The policy of the Club is to always abide by the rules, regulations and advice of the Government or relevant authority of the countries involved and to abide by all precautions put in place by hotels and venues to protect Members participating in Events.

Venues: The event organiser, or a nominated alternative member of the Club, will discuss the Covid-19 provisions proposed by the venue and seek assurance that they meet the standard required. All participants to be notified of any special provisions, for example where social distancing is not possible and masks required.

Format of events: The format of each event will be reviewed to ensure the best possible compliance with social-distancing or other regulations. This may mean utilising more outdoor facilities and meeting spaces. However, if this is likely to have a severe impact on the enjoyment and social interaction, the event may be cancelled or postponed.

Personal Responsibility and Indemnity: The 20-Ghost Club acts as facilitator for each member in arranging tours, which they then attend in a personal capacity. Attendance at an event is conditional on the signing of the usual booking form and the current indemnity will be expanded to make it clear that members attend at their own risk and accept that an event may be postponed or cancelled at short notice.

Return of deposits and payments: If a participant withdraws from a tour for any reason, the normal policy of the Club has been to only return any payments once an alternative has been found and payment made. In the event a tour is cancelled or postponed and a participant wishes to withdraw from the revised event, the policy has been revised to allow return of any amount paid that the Club is not contractually committed to paying on behalf of that participant, after pro rata deduction for tour overheads. For example, the balance not yet paid to hotels, less any cancellation, recce or other irrecoverable costs. Any subsequent credits received from hotels would also be returned.

Attendance at AGM's etc: Our Articles currently require us to hold an AGM each year, within 14 months of the previous one and with 10 people *personally* present. This will need to be modified to 'present in person or by any form of video-link'. A formal notice to amend our Articles will be circulated in due course.

Postponement at Short Notice: *Please be aware that events may have to be postponed at short notice. Please check the website for the latest updates.*

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