



EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST FROM GOLF CLUBS

NSW GOLF INDUSTRY ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE / BEST PRACTICE COVENANT

"It is a joint responsibility to show as an industry that we can achieve our goals and this is a great opportunity for Clubs to show that they wish to be leading the way."

A joint initiative between Golf NSW, the Australian Golf Course Superintendents' Association, NSW Golf Course Superintendents' Association, Golf Management Australia (NSW), the Environmental Protection Authority and Golf Australia will assist the Golf Industry in NSW to deliver on its ambition to become one of the golfing world's leading environmental performers. Through the collective efforts of all involved it is intended to empower every golf club to embrace environmental best practice.

We now seek an expression of interest from clubs in leading the way towards achieving this vision.

Approximately forty Clubs will form part of a pilot study group which will critically evaluate the draft Environmental Compliance Covenant document and tools (the draft document is attached).

Pilot participants will be provided with all the tools and services they need to meet the proposed Environmental Minimum Standard. This includes environmental procedures, an environmental induction video, an on-line portal to house procedures for auditing, training in the requirements of the NSW Pesticides Act, a compliant pesticide log sheet, a Chemical Purchasing and Procurement Protocol/Guide, registration for a state-wide chemical collection, an on-line annual return tool to report on compliance with the minimum standard, and formal recognition of their club as meeting OR exceeding the environmental minimum standard.

Club Boards, Managers and Superintendents should discuss their aspirations in this area at the earliest opportunity and complete the online registration <http://184.154.226.8/~timeit38/eoi/>

Expressions of Interest close 21 September.

There will be an administration fee of \$750+GST per club to participate in the pilot group.

For current e-par members: depending on your level of membership and membership status (essentials or platinum) many e-par clubs will have already achieved a significant number of the minimum standard elements. Hence Platinum members will not be charged. N.B. Numbers of e-par members in the pilot program will be limited.

For more information, please contact Craig Molloy: president@nswgcsa.com.au

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