

WCTA Surveys BC Golf Superintendents re COVID-19

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a brief survey sent to 198 individuals, both WCTA members and non-members, at 197 golf facilities throughout British Columbia.

As senior turf care personnel, the anonymous survey was targeted toward golf course superintendents. For the purpose of this survey, golf courses were defined as the entire facility whether they included 9, 18, 36 or another number of holes. Questions were designed to avoid pre-disposition of answers by respondents and the survey was kept short with the main goal, learning BC golf superintendent's attitudes toward golf courses being open for play during the COVID-19 outbreak.

"Ideally, this survey would have gone to every golf course superintendent in the province

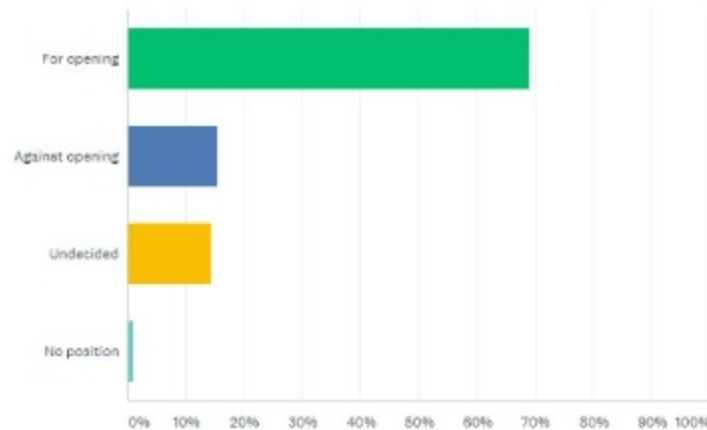
but we have yet to see that contact list," stated WCTA Executive Director, Jerry Rousseau, adding, *"WCTA staff started developing a comprehensive BC golf course directory a few years ago but not all information for the provinces 300+ facilities has been populated. We recently made some minor updates but a lot of records were out of date. It took some time, but we ended up with nearly 200 current superintendent contacts for this survey."*

Survey Specs:

- 198 individuals were polled representing 197 golf courses

Please indicate your position on the opening of golf courses during the COVID-19 outbreak.

Answered: 97 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
For opening	69.07%
Against opening	15.46%
Undecided	14.43%
No position	1.03%
TOTAL	97

Recognizing a need for quantitative feedback from golf superintendents regarding

the COVID-19 outbreak, on April 19, the Western Canada Turfgrass Association initiated

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