



Welcome to the Riviera Hotel & Holiday Apartments

How will the Coronavirus Covid-19 restrictions impact your stay?

Our absolute priority is to keep everyone as safe as possible whilst enabling them to enjoy a break by the seaside at one of Bournemouth's quietest beaches. We have reviewed all aspects of our operation and will continue to do so according to Government guidance, and whilst we know that your experience will be very different from our usual service, it is vital we work this way to keep the hotel as safe as possible for everyone in it.

In response to the Rule of 6 law, we will no longer be taking bookings of more than six people in one party until further notice.

As a result of the latest Government's measures, our Restaurant and Bar will close at 10pm. Last orders for food will be 8:45pm and for drinks 9:45pm and both food and drink must be ordered from and served at your table.

We are now obliged to require guests (as well as staff) over age 11 to wear face masks when in the public areas of the hotel and we ask guests please to respect this unless you have a valid reason not to do so, such as a medical condition. Masks may be removed for eating and drinking when seated at your table.

We are confident you will still have a relaxing break with us and enjoy our friendly hospitality.

Extensive Risk Assessments and health and safety guidelines have been prepared and our team have been fully trained and supplied with the appropriate PPE (Personal Protective Equipment) so that they are ready to welcome you safely for both you and themselves.

We have installed sanitiser gel dispensers at key points at the entrances and in the public areas of the hotel and would kindly ask you to use the hand gel especially before touching lift buttons or handrails and to follow any signage and one way systems which will be marked on the floor. **Please always remember to keep physical distance from other people and to wash your hands whenever possible.**

All shared surfaces, screens, door handles, bannisters and equipment will be regularly cleaned and sanitised throughout the day and after use.

~Before you arrive~

If you are feeling unwell or have been told to self-isolate, you must stay at home and follow the latest Government advice. Please phone us to postpone your stay.

To avoid queues in Reception, you may be contacted by our Reception team to settle your stay amount in full (if not already pre-paid) and complete pre-arrival information. It is important please that you let us know of any special requirements you may have before you arrive.

We strongly recommend that you download the Government-approved track and tracing app to ensure that we are all alerted to any guests who may pose a risk of spreading Covid-19

~On arrival~

We politely request that, if you are displaying any symptoms of Covid-19, you do not enter the hotel.

For the safety of other guests and staff, we shall require confirmation on arrival that none of the guests in your booking have been asked to self-isolate, have tested positive for Covid-19 or are experiencing any of its symptoms which are a persistent cough, a high temperature or loss of sense of taste or smell.

Anybody displaying signs of Covid-19 may be asked to leave the premises. We may make temperature checks should this be thought necessary.

We have placed a sanitiser dispenser at the hotel entrance which please use whenever you enter the hotel.

In order that we can sanitise, thoroughly clean and service and then seal your bedroom for your safety, we have moved check-in time to 3pm.

Please note that the Government requires that face coverings must be worn by everyone over age 11 other than people who, for health reasons, are unable to wear masks, in all interior Public Areas of the hotel and Apartments. This includes Reception, the Bar and Restaurant (though obviously they must be removed for eating and drinking), all corridors and lobbies, the Lift and the Leisure Club.

When you arrive, only one household/party member should check in at Reception whilst all others in your party should please wait outside until check-in is complete. If possible, please do not arrive early.

Our check-in process has been streamlined to allow for a fast and reduced-contact experience and a Perspex screen has been installed at Reception.

Please note that no cash payments will be taken during your stay for any of our services and we will only be accepting credit and debit cards for the foreseeable future.

We have put in place signage on arrival and throughout the hotel detailing the guidelines which have been implemented to protect you and our teams.

The Reception area has been reconfigured and marked out to ensure social distancing of a minimum of 2 metres, so if there is a queue please comply with these measures.

On check-in you will be given your room key (which should be kept on you at all times during your stay), hotel information, breakfast order forms and you will be asked to book your breakfast time-slot.

We would ask that if you need anything during your stay, you contact Reception via telephone/mobile so that contact at the desk is kept to a minimum.

During these times we have been advised against handling your luggage or belongings or showing you around the hotel or to your room. However, we are always happy to help and will ensure we do so with your safety in mind.

If you have any special requirements, please let us know before you arrive so we can make the necessary preparations.

~Public Areas~

We have heightened and enhanced our cleaning procedures to include extensive cleaning of shared surfaces throughout the day.

We have affixed hand sanitising stations throughout the hotel for you to use and we also politely ask that you always use the ones by the door when entering the hotel.

To avoid overcrowding and unnecessary contact we ask that guests use the bathrooms in their bedrooms if possible, though our public area toilets are open and are subject to an extra sanitising regime involving long-lasting anti-virus agents.

Signage has been put in place with guidance on usage of our lifts. We ask that they are only used by elderly or disabled guests.

We will not use air-conditioning during this crisis and will open windows and doors for ventilation wherever practicable.

When walking through the hotel we ask that you please use your discretion and consideration by keeping a physical distance of at least 2 metres between yourself and anyone else. We have put in place floor markings and guidance signage throughout the hotel to assist.

Guests who are accompanied by children are responsible for supervising them at all times and ensuring that they follow social distancing guidelines.

Please note that we are obliged to require guests to abide by the Rule of 6 law and not congregate in groups of more than six people, which includes children and babies.

~Bedrooms~

Every guest bedroom and en-suite bathroom will be fully sanitised before each stay and sealed to ensure no contamination occurs prior to your arrival. Our housekeeping teams undergo strict sanitisation prior to starting work and will wear the appropriate PPE during cleaning.

Fabric items such as mattresses, pillows, cushions, carpet, chairs and other furniture are sprayed with an approved sanitising solution, which is effective in killing Covid-19 but otherwise harmless to people. All surfaces and under-surfaces are thoroughly wiped down and cleaned prior to your arrival. Linens are professionally washed on high heat.

If you prefer to bring your own pillows or bedding, please let us know in advance.

All printed material has been removed from your room and public areas to avoid cross-contamination.

During your stay your room will not be serviced, and your bedding and towels will not be changed. If you require fresh towels, please ring Reception for a bag to put them in and new towels will be delivered to your room. If you are staying longer than five days, you may request to have your room sanitised and bedding changed. Should you require this service, rooms will need to be vacant and all personal items including toiletries completely stowed away.

~Indoor Pool~

To ensure that we can maintain social distancing, we are permitting only one individual household party to use the pool at a time. We ask that you book a timed slot with Reception on a daily basis.

If you wish to use the pool during your stay, please bring your own towels. The changing rooms and toilets in the Leisure Club and pool area will be closed.

Gels, creams and lotions which are not washed off before swimming, damage the water safety measures and may result in closure of the pool for a considerable time so we do request that you shower in your room before using the pool.

Please shower and get changed into your swimming costume in your bedroom before, at your pre-booked time, going to the Hotel Reception "swim-ready" where you will be able to sign in and be given your entry code to the Leisure Club.

Touch-points and shared surfaces in the pool area will be sanitised by our staff but we request that you also use the sanitiser which is available at the entrance to the Leisure Club and also at the top and bottom of the stairs to the pool.

Please note that there are no Lifeguards. There is a printed copy of the Terms and Conditions in the lobby of the Leisure Club and please note that by using the Leisure facilities, you acknowledge that you have read and accepted our terms and conditions and agreed to abide by them.

~Spa services and Gym~

The spa bath and gym will be closed.

Arcadia Beauty will be open for a wide range of treatments and you can contact them direct on 07783 11570 or you can book online by visiting www.arcadiabeautyspa.co.uk

~Breakfast~

For safety reasons, we are not able to have our usual breakfast buffets, so we will be looking after you by table service. On arrival at the hotel you will be able to book a fixed time slot for your breakfast for between 7.30am and 10am Monday to Friday and between 8am and 10am on Saturday and Sunday. You will also be given a pre-order sheet to order your breakfasts for the following morning.

Your breakfast orders for each day need to be placed in the box at Reception by 9pm the evening before.

We have extended our dining spaces and are utilizing other public areas to ensure all diners are a minimum of 1 metre plus apart. There will also be additional tables in the Bar and Ballroom.

~Bar and Bridge Grill Meals~

The Bridge Bar and Grill will be open for drinks from midday with ordering available from your table. Please do not approach the Bar counter.

As we are obliged to close the Bar at 10pm, last orders for drinks will be at 9.45pm.

From 6pm – 8.45pm (last orders) each day we shall offer a seasonally inspired Bar food menu.

Payment should be made by credit or debit card please as cash cannot be accepted.

~Non-Residents~

For the enhanced safety of our guests, we will not be open to members of the public while the Coronavirus problem exists.

~Check out~

If you have a bill for any Extras, it should be paid as usual at checkout. For amounts under £45 these can be paid by contactless in Reception.

We regret at this time we cannot offer late check outs or luggage storage.

With all the extra work required for sanitising bedrooms during the Covid 19 crisis, it is particularly important that rooms must be vacated no later than 11am on the day of departure please. Failure to do so by this time incurs significant extra costs so may result in a late check-out charge of £20 per hour. Please leave plenty of time to check out and please do not forget to leave your room key(s) in the box provided at Reception.

If you did not book direct with the hotel and you require a copy of your bill, you will need to supply an email address to the Reception team.

Thank you for choosing to stay with us and thank you in advance for following all guidance.

Please note: In order to comply with the latest guidelines, we will be constantly reviewing our safety measures. This guide will be continually updated to give you the latest information.

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