

TETTENHALL TENNIS CLUB

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UPDATES IN RED: from July 13th 2020 the LTA have confirmed further changes.

Note the Coronavirus has not gone away, so please be aware of the risk to yourselves and others; we have not returned to normal and many are questioning the lifting of restrictions at this time.

National Regulations (England only) and LTA Guidance

- Both singles and doubles are now permitted with people from outside of your household as long as you stay 2 metres apart as far as possible.
- With more players now possible on the courts, physical distancing will be more difficult. This should still be observed, however inconvenient.
- **Pre-attendance symptom check: all players, coaches and visitors should undergo a self-assessment for Covid-19 symptoms before leaving home.**
- Hand hygiene is imperative. Wash hands before leaving home and use hand sanitiser often, especially after touching shared surfaces.
- Social distancing rules apply
 - Maintain a 2 metre distance from other players
 - Don't shake hands at the end of a match
 - Change sides at opposite ends of the net
 - Do not adjust the nets
- **Limit interaction before or after playing, and minimise social activity. Spectators, parents, waiting and finishing players should only gather in groups of 6 (from different households) while observing social distancing measures.**
- **Groups of 15 children is now possible for coaching. Adult coaching remains limited to groups of 6 (inc coach).**
- **Larger outdoor events (competitions, 'club nights') are permitted as long as the guidance is followed to ensure they are COVID-19 secure. This includes a comprehensive Risk Assessment and mitigation measures.**
- **LTA approved matches and friendly matches against other clubs can take place, subject to following government guidance.**
- **Avoid the use of public transport when accessing the club.**

See <https://www.lta.org.uk/about-us/tennis-news/news-and-opinion/general-news/2020/march/coronavirus-covid-19---latest-advice/> Advice for players, coaches and venues.

Tettenhall Tennis Club Guidance (subject to change)

- Bring your own hand sanitiser/wipes
- Clean the lock/gate handle
- If you're the first – open gate and leave open; the last person to leave should lock it
- We strongly recommend using your own tennis balls which should be clearly marked to avoid accidentally picking up other people's balls if they drift between courts.
- The cupboard is out-of-bounds
- Use of floodlights is temporarily suspended
- **Facilities at Wolverhampton Cricket Club are gradually re-opening. Please follow their protocols if accessing them.**
- No communal refreshments, although your own water/drinks bottles are permitted.
- All court seating and furniture – benches, plastic chairs, table is out-of-bounds.
- Outside benches can be used, but you may wish to bring a cloth/blanket, and observe social distancing.
- Courts may fill easily at certain times, therefore members may have to be prepared to wait to play. If you see anyone waiting, please limit your play to 45 minutes at a time to allow others a chance to play

- Tuesday morning (10:00 - 12:00) will be prioritised for the Tuesday morning mix-ins.
- Larger club events (our Club Afternoons, Championship Finals' Day) will be subject to further discussion by the committee)

NHS 'Track and Trace': The LTA have strongly advised that we support this initiative and at TTC we believe it is our collective responsibility to protect each other and ourselves and we hope that all members feel the same. As restrictions are lifted across all sectors, there are some measures that we will have to take that will seem more onerous than previously. The committee are finalising a recording system which will log who has been accessing the courts and when. We are hoping it will be simple, secure and effective. Should any of our members be unfortunate enough to test positive for COVID-19 and should the 'Track and Trace' team feel it necessary to contact other TTC members who have accessed the courts within a given timeframe, we will have the information for them.

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/nhs-test-and-trace-how-it-works>

We have agreed that if members have non-members within their household, those non-members can play with the members until further notice. There will be no additional charge for this. **However, this does not extend to friends and family outside the household and *excludes members under the 3 month trial membership category.***

*The small print: all activity will be at your own risk, and TTC has no responsibility for any breaches of the regulations and the above advice is for guidance only and is not exhaustive. Please use as many precautions as you wish, and be mindful of your own health and that of others. **If you have any symptoms associated with Coronavirus, please stay away and follow the rules on self-isolation and the government's 'test and trace' guidelines.***

Approved by Tettenhall Tennis Club Committee, 15th July 2020