

## **COVID-19: RETURN TO RESTRICTED PLAY**

Following the update to Government guidelines which can be read on the [GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk) website, and [LTA Guidance for Players](#), the Club has developed a set of practical rules which sit below the Government rules and above the Club rules.

Please follow these rules to allow tennis to be played safely. In addition, please be considerate to other players where a rule may not be specifically stated.

Individuals must take responsibility for their own actions and personal safety. Use of the courts is entirely at your own risk.

### **Booking Restrictions**

1. Due to the expected higher demand for courts, you are reminded of an existing rule - There shall not be more than two outstanding "court-hour" sessions against any one name/number, at any one time.

### **Off Court**

2. Please bring gel sanitiser with you and use before coming on court, before and after touching the gate/lock and after you leave.
3. The Pavilion will be closed and unavailable to members.
4. Do not congregate after playing. No extra-curricular or social activity should take place.

### **On Court**

5. No spectators are allowed on court.
6. Please use the far gate when going onto Court 3.
7. The net winders have been removed to prevent unnecessary contact. The nets will be checked and adjusted weekly.
8. As the litter bin has been removed, please take any litter home with you.
9. Both singles play and doubles play are now permitted with people from outside of your household – meaning that four people from different households can now play doubles. Keep to the same four people during the session.
10. Stay at least two metres away from other players at all times (including during play, when taking breaks and before and after play).
11. Change ends using different sides of the net (to ensure social distancing).
12. Avoid chasing the ball down to another court if other players are using it.
13. It is strongly recommended that you use your own clearly marked tennis balls. This means that each player from a separate household would bring their own set of balls. If shared balls are used, extra care should be used in cleaning hands before and after play and not touching your face during play.
14. No other equipment other than racquets and balls should be brought on court. Racquets should not be shared.
15. Avoid using your hands to pick up tennis balls that aren't yours - use your racquet/foot to hit/kick them to your opponent or return them to another court.
16. If you are waiting to go on, please allow others to leave before you enter the court - if you need to wait, then do so away from the courts and clear of the gate.

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