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# TENNIS NZ MEASURES

# WHAT WE RECOMMEND FOR TENNIS ORGANISATIONS (REGIONS, ASSOCIATIONS, CLUBS, COACHES & FACILITIES)

### **LEVEL 2 – REDUCE**

- The disease is contained but the risk of community transmission remains.
- Household transmission could be occurring.
- Single or isolated cluster outbreak
- People can reconnect with friends and family, go shopping, or travel domestically, but should follow public health guidance.
- Physical distancing of two metres from people you don't know when out in public is recommended, with one metre physical distancing in controlled environments like workplaces unless other measures are in place.
- No more than 10 people at indoor or outdoor gatherings. (This will be reviewed 25 May)
- Sport and recreation activities are allowed, subject to conditions on gatherings, contact tracing, and where practical physical distancing.
- Public venues can open but must comply with public health measures.
- Health and disability care services operate as normally as possible.
- Businesses can open to the public but must follow public health guidance including in relation to physical distancing and contact tracing. Alternative ways of working encouraged where possible (e.g. remote working, shift based working, physical distancing, staggering meal breaks, flexible leave).
- It is safe to send your children to schools, early learning services and tertiary education.
   There will be appropriate measures in place.
- People at higher-risk of severe illness from COVID-19 (e.g. those with underlying medical conditions, especially if not well-controlled, and seniors) are encouraged to take additional precautions when leaving home. They may work if they agree with their employer that they can do so safely

- All organised tennis competition under the mandate of Tennis NZ is risk assessed and delivered only if government requirements can be met.
- All Tennis NZ Performance Squad/Programme Training are held based on requirements listed below being met.
- All Tennis NZ in person workshops, education, face to face meetings and external activities risk assessed and held based on requirements listed below being met.
- Tennis NZ offices open on rotation basis to limit staff numbers and practice safe physical distancing.
- No international or domestic travel for Tennis NZ staff unless absolutely necessary
- Tennis NZ will conduct the majority of external business via video conferencing / telephone.

All facilities must practice sanitation measures, and record contact tracing details. Facilities with employees must have a WorkSafe plan in place.

# **Contact Tracing**

Contact tracing register for all participants and spectators must be in place and able to be accessed quickly.

# Cleaning and Hygiene

- Participants should wash and dry their hands before and after playing;
   equipment should be washed and dried before and after playing.
- Measures should be taken to minimise the sharing of equipment/ balls. However, for sports or activities where equipment must be shared ensure that all participants wash and dry their hands before and afterwards and clean and disinfect the equipment before and afterwards
- Exercise caution with common touch points (e.g. gates or doors) and
  wash or sanitise your hands after touching these surfaces. Facilities
  must have a written plan for safe operation in place. Sanitation
  measures can be found <a href="https://example.com/here.">here.</a> Water, soap and towels/drier should be
  made available for participants to wash and dry their hands or hand
  sanitiser (containing at least 60% alcohol).

### Gatherings

Gatherings must be limited a maximum of 10 people (either indoors or outdoors).

# If unwell

If you or members of your household are unwell, you should stay home. You must not participate in physical activity (or leave home) if you are displaying symptoms of COVID-19, awaiting a test result, or required to self-isolate.

### **Physical Distancing**

People may participate in team sport and physical activity, including where physical distance cannot be maintained. This means that training and competition for contact sports will be possible if other public health measures are observed. Participants should maintain physical distancing when not participating in the sport or activity.

# Risky activities

Activities should only be completed within your confidence and skill level to continue to reduce the need for essential services assistance.

### **TENNIS SCENARIOS AT ALERT LEVEL 2**

#### **Contact Tracing**

- Clubs, venues, coaches, organisers should use the contact tracing tool provided at <u>www.tennis.kiwi.</u>
   Instructional signage for your venue/business is also provided. Clubs and coaches can also use their own contact tracing tool so long as it meets government requirements. These can be found here <a href="https://covid19.govt.nz/assets/resources/posters/COVID-19-contact-tracing-info-A4.pdf">https://covid19.govt.nz/assets/resources/posters/COVID-19-contact-tracing-info-A4.pdf</a>
- All participants and spectators should complete contact tracing (preferably) via an electronic system or online registration system. The register should be accessible to the Ministry of Health for contact tracing purposes at all times up to 4 weeks after the contact took place. This process should be detailed in your organisation's plan for safe operation a safety plan template is provided on www.tennis.kiwi

## Cleaning and Hygiene (players, equipment, facilities)

- All participants should wash and dry their hand before and after taking part in any tennis activity. Ideally, they should be advised of this in advance of attending to allow time for this to happen safely.
- Measures should be taken to minimise the sharing of equipment, for example only the coach should touch balls and any shared equipment like ball machines should be sanitised before and after each use.
- To open the clubrooms, procedures must be in place to sanitise tables, chairs and other touch points before and after each group of people arrive and leave Clubs might prefer to keep clubrooms closed for now.
- To open toilets or changing rooms, procedures must be in place to sanitise the facilities regularly (ideally after each use). Clubs might prefer to keep these facilities closed for now.
- Water fountains can be made accessible so long as they are sanitised before and after each use. It might be easy to keep these 'out of order' for now.
- Clubs and coaches should work together to ensure they are managing cleaning and hygiene requirements well between them.

### Gatherings (on court and off court)

- Indoor and outdoor facilities will need to restrict groupsto a maximum of 10 people while maintaining a 2 metre physical distancing requirement and using a contact tracing register.
- Groups are to be a maximum of 10 and this includes coaches, volunteers, officials, spectators and players.
- Multiple groups of 10 can be at a club/centre at the same time but:
  - Different groups must not interact with one another or share equipment
  - A group must follow physical distancing of 2 metres both within their own group and from other groups.

    Contact tracing and records of each group member should be kept by the organiser or by one of the group
- For smaller venues a lower maximum number may be more appropriate to maintain physical distancing.
- Gathering restrictions apply to each separate space e.g. an outdoor court that can be managed separately with suitable physical distancing between these spaces. For example a maximum of 10 people per court is ok as long as that group of 10 stick together and do not move courts or mix and mingle with others at the venue.
- Member bookings for a game of doubles, private and small group lessons will be quite simple to deliver by
  following the correct hygiene and contact tracing rules. Larger sessions like club nights or mid-week ladies'
  sessions will need to be adapted, so you may consider resuming these types of session pending 25 May
  'gatherings' announcement from Government.
- If you do run a club night, you will need to split all attendees into groups of 10.

- Players can only play with those in their designated group of 10. They cannot mix and mingle with other groups of 10. Each group of 10 should have 1 or 2 dedicated courts that they are assigned to. For example, if 50 people turn up for club night, you can give each group of 10 one court and they can rotate play between themselves on that court. They should not play with or interact with any other group during that session.
- Coaches will need to consider numbers for group sessions which are a maximum of 10 including the coach
  and also ensure a 2 metre distance between players and coach. In order to adhere to the gathering rule of
  10, for now, you might consider a 'players only' rule, meaning no spectators. Or you may need to consider
  restricting the number of spectators or asking people to register in advance on a 'limited spaces available'
  basis.
- Clubs and coaches might consider postponing competitions or tournaments that are planned in the next 2-4 weeks. Or formats which can cater for groups of 10 rotating amongst themselves like box leagues could be considered.
- Clubrooms clubs must be very confident that they can manage numbers in the clubhouse at any time. Like restaurants, physical distancing and hygiene rules must be followed, and groups are to be a maximum of 10. Hygiene protocols must be followed, and tables and chairs sanitised thoroughly between uses.

# **Physical Distancing**

Tennis is a naturally physically distanced sport but you should still exercise caution when playing or delivering tennis. For example: change ends at the other side of the net to your opponent, don't congregate at the net, in the clubhouse or carpark, keep 2 metre distance when talking to players.

## Clubroom/Bar/Café/Restaurant

- If your club has a bar, café or restaurant onsite that is managed by an external provider, the provider is required to have a worksafe plan established.
- Groups of guests in the clubhouse must be limited to 10 people per group. All groups should be seated, have separation from other groups, and be served by a single server if possible. Players should only sit with the group they played tennis with.
- Between Thursday 14 May and Friday 22 May, tennis clubs should manage the serving of food in a similar manner to how they are required to trade at Easter. While liquor licences normally dictate that food must be available for purchase, until 22 May customers must purchase food.

Please continue to monitor for further updates:

https://covid19.govt.nz/

https://health.govt.nz

https://tennis.kiwi/covid-19/