



TENNIS
FOR BRITAIN



STAYING SAFE

Online

With the world of social media expanding at an unprecedented rate, it is more important than ever to ensure that as a young person you are aware of the digital footprint that you leave online, how to keep yourself safe, and how to report concerns. This guidance is designed for children and young people and for the consideration of parents/carers.

KEEPING SAFE

- Parents and venue officials are aware of who and how people from your club are able to contact you.
- Coaches should only communicate with children under 18 years if it is done through a WhatsApp/text message or email that includes their parent/carer(s) and relates to only tennis-related matters;



DO NOT

- Post or give out your personal details, such as your mobile number, email address, or address;
- Accept friend requests on social media or other communication platforms from adults at your venue such as your coaches, club officials, referees, and team captains;
- Invite those adults to be friends on your social media and communication platforms;
- Post, text, email, or communicate anything online or offline that may be deemed as offensive, abusive, racist, or threatening by way of comments, language, or behaviours.

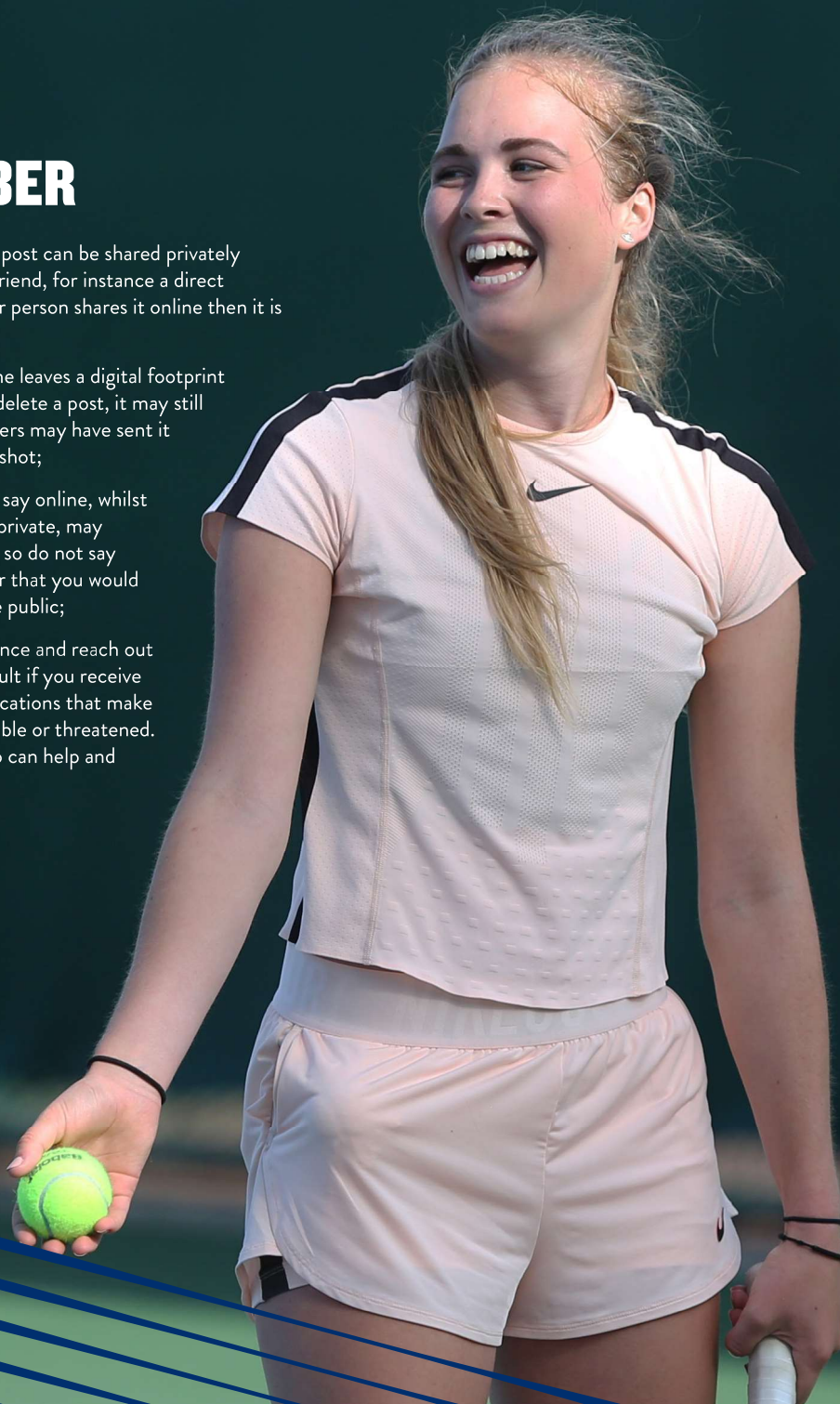


DO REPORT

- Your venue will have a W to if you are worried about something you have seen posted about you that m
- If you cannot speak with about any communication uncomfortable or were c may be a teacher or ano
- If you have received a co upsetting, tell the appro save/print the post before as evidence;
- You can report anything to the LTA Safeguarding [safeguardingconcern.lta](https://safeguardingconcern.lta.org.uk)
- You can contact childline [childline.org.uk/get-sup](https://childline.org.uk/get-support)
- You can report online to [ceop.police.uk/safety-c](https://ceop.police.uk/safety-centre)

REMEMBER

- Whilst a message or post can be shared privately between you and a friend, for instance a direct message, if the other person shares it online then it is made public;
- What you post online leaves a digital footprint and whilst you may delete a post, it may still be retrieved and others may have sent it on or taken a screenshot;
- Anything you do or say online, whilst you think it may be private, may be shared by others, so do not say anything offensive or that you would not want to be made public;
- Do not suffer in silence and reach out to an appropriate adult if you receive any online communications that make you feel uncomfortable or threatened. There are adults who can help and support you.



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