TEMPLATE league DELIVERY PLAN – COVID-19

The Government has published detailed [guidance on organising outdoor sport and physical activity participation events](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-guidance-on-phased-return-of-sport-and-recreation/guidance-for-the-public-on-the-phased-return-of-outdoor-sport-and-recreation#organising-outdoor-sport-and-physical-activity-events), which can help venues, officials and organisers facilitate events such as recreational competitions, social play events, club nights and leagues. The LTA recommends that in line with this guidance, all league organisers complete a COVID-19 delivery plan using the latest LTA COVID-19 Guidelines. Look at how these might apply to your event and complete the table below. This template is to be used as a guide to help deliver your leagues.

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| **Name of league** | Babolat Winter Leagues 2020/21 | **County / Area** | Oxfordshire |
| **Description of league**  **(e.g. Men’s, Women’s, Mixed)** | Men’s and Women’s | **Size of the league** | Men = 89 teams in 8 Divisions  Women = 78 teams in 7 Divisions  Each team consists of four players (two pairs) |
| **Start & End Date** | Start: 26/27 September 2020  Finish: 13/14 March 2021 | **Timings** | Matches played either morning or afternoon on Saturdays and Sundays |
| **League organiser** | Steve Winyard/Leagues Committee | **No of league staff** | 0 |
| **Before the league** | *How will you design the league timetable to ensure social distancing is maintained at all times?*  *What will you put in place to minimise encounters between people?*  *How will you brief team captains in advance of the event?*  Matches are spread out over six months and clubs are able to re-arrange dates to ensure social distancing can be maintained. Exact arrangements will be down to clubs and depend upon the number of teams and courts available. Clubs will have completed their own risk assessment before the start of the season.  There is regular communication with Fixtures Secretaries via e-mail and direct with captains via League Planner  Clubs are asked to follow LTA and Government guidance.  Anyone attending a league fixture in any capacity should undergo a pre-attendance self-assessment for any COVID-19 symptoms using the information on the NHS website before leaving home. No-one should leave home to participate in tennis if they, or someone they live with, has symptoms of COVID -19 (A high temperature - A new, continuous cough - A loss of, or change to, their sense of smell or taste)  . | | |
| **During the league** | *How will you ensure that participants and parents/guardians can remain socially distanced at all times?*  *How will you limit shared use of equipment (i.e. rackets,)?*  *What precautions will you put in place to ensure good hand hygiene from participants?*  *How will you manage any rain delays?*  Clubs and teams are reminded of and asked to observe LTA and Government Guidance for travel and maintaining social distancing.  League players as a rule do not share equipment and will typically have at least one spare racket.  Clubs are asked to follow LTA Guidance and have hand sanitiser readily available on site.  Players will be asked to follow LTA Guidance in the case of rain delays. In most cases this will involve taking shelter in a car or under an umbrella. | | |
| **After the event** | *How will you ensure that participants can safely leave the site in a socially distanced way?*  *How will you prevent large groups from congregating after the event?*  Clubs and captains will be reminded of the importance of maintaining a safe social distance at the end of a match.  Teas/lunches will not be provided after matches. At the end of play the away team will leave the club and following Government guidance there will be no socialising. | | |
| **Consider the following in your delivery plan:**   * Droplet transmission and aerosol generation: The risk associated with each action in an activity based on duration and proximity of participants * Fomite transmission: The risk associated with the handling and transfer of equipment in the activity * Population: The number of participants likely to take part in the proposed activity plus known risk factors of participants with underlying health conditions or high-risk groups, who wish to participate * Venue risk assessment: Venues to complete the relevant risk assessment | | | |