

## GTC Update 12 September 2020

Please can all members, players / parents & carers of players ensure that they have read the attached as there are some important updates in "Who can play" at the club.

Some of the updates are now GOVERNMENT LAW not just guidelines.

Please help the staff, who are continually working hard to make sure that your club is kept a Covid-19 secure venue, by abiding with these updates with good grace. Please try not to be cross when asked to sanitise on entry, stay social distance apart and all the other measures that we are asking you to comply with. We do not make the rules / guidelines but to keep the club open and safe we all need to abide by them.

Please take the time to read/reread all the guidance, it is a good opportunity to remind ourselves of all the measures that we should be doing and to ensure complacency doesn't make us forgetful.

### Important Updates

**LTA Guidance for Tennis Players in England – Covid-19 Return to Play Version 5.1 – Published 10 September 2020** – [Click here to read the document.](#)

The most important information is found in Section 2: During Play.

### Tennis Activity

**[NEW]** Restrictions on group numbers vary depending on if the activity is informal social play or organised group activity.

### Informal Social Play

**[NEW]** For informal social play, from Monday 14 September group size is limited to a maximum of six people by law. This means you can play tennis providing you only meet up with no more than 5 other people from different households and observe social distancing guidelines.




People should not go to a tennis venue socially in groups of more than six.

### Organised Activity

**[NEW]** Organised activity for larger groups, including coached sessions, club nights (& mornings / afternoons) and competitions is permitted by the Government as an exception to the limit of six, and so can continue, provided that venues, coaching providers and event organisers follow LTA COVID-19 secure guidelines.

For children, organised coach sessions should be limited to groups of no more than 15 children (plus coach(es)).

### What changes need to happen from 14 September

-  Informal groups of members that were booking two or more courts for more than six people from different households and switching courts can no longer do so.
-  Takeaway drinks / snack / alcohol can be enjoyed after tennis in groups no larger than 6 (from different households).
-  Parents / carers watching coaching sessions can sit in groups no larger than 6 (from different households).

### Other information

The clubhouse will still remain available only for toilets / club shop / entry to indoor courts and purchasing takeaway drinks etc. Please sanitise on entry.