



Community Sport and Recreation COVIDSafe Plan

The following measures will be considered at South Bendigo Tennis Club in accordance with current State Government guidelines, also with reference to Tennis Victoria's *Victorian Community Tennis Guidelines (8 April 2021)*.

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1. Ensure physical distancing

This is done by:

- Ensuring participants remain 1.5 metres apart where possible except when engaging in physical activity permitted by the Chief Health Officer directions
- Displaying signs to show patron limits at the entrance of enclosed areas where and when limits apply
- Minimising the build-up of people waiting to enter and exit the venue/facility to abide by current instructions from the Chief Health Officer
- Using floor markings to provide minimum physical distancing guides in areas identified that require floor marking, such as the clubhouse
- Modifying activities to optimise ability to maintain 1.5 metres physical distancing, including by separating groups as much as possible
- Using a 1.5 distancing protocol when entering and exiting through gates
- Providing signage on the maximum occupancy of areas that are open to the general public
- Complying with any density quotient, any group size limits and other restrictions applicable to the type of facility being used
- Arranging furniture to ensure physical social distancing
- Staggering seating so participants, volunteers, organisers, parents and carers are not facing one another
- Complying with relevant density quotient and signage requirements

Notify organisers and volunteers on physical distancing expectations while working and socialising:

- Instruct volunteers and organisers on strategies and practice changes to maintain physical distancing
- Reinforce messaging to participants, volunteers and organisers that physical distancing needs to be maintained during activities/events and during social interactions
- Communicate to members on rules in relation to gathering limits, participants limits and spectators.

- Educate and instruct participants, volunteers and organisers on hand and cough hygiene, including how to wash and sanitise their hands correctly
- No high fives, handshakes, or other physical contact other than physical activity permitted by the Chief Health Officer as part of the game
- Reinforce the importance of not attending activities if unwell
- Ensuring appropriate information is available on the use of face coverings and PPE (if applicable)

2. Wear a face mask

Ensure all participants, volunteers and organisers entering the venue/facility wear a face mask correctly as per public health advice at the time.

When masks must lawfully be worn at all times, the exception is when out of breath or puffing from strenuous exercise (ie. Playing tennis) or a lawful exception applies.

Inform participants, volunteers and organisers that cloth masks should be washed each day after use. However, if during the day the mask is visibly dirty or wet, the mask needs to be changed immediately and the dirty mask stored in an airtight bag or container until it can be washed.

3. Practise good hygiene

The club endorses the practise of good hygiene by:

- Avoiding sharing equipment such as phones and playing equipment
- Encouraging participants, volunteers and organisers to bring their own personal equipment, labelled with their name and reinforce that equipment should not be shared
- No sharing of personal items such as water bottles, food and towels
- Positioning hand sanitiser stations throughout the venue/facility
- Ensuring rubbish bins are available to dispose of paper towels and other litter
- Ensuring adequate supplies of sanitiser
- Ensuring participants, volunteers and organisers have information on how to wash and sanitise their hands correctly
- All attendees sanitising their hands upon arrival and departure at the venue/facility.

4. Keep records and act quickly if participants, volunteers or organisers become unwell

Keep records of all people who enter the venue/facility for contact tracing. QR Code to be displayed on entrance gates for this purpose.

Have a plan to manage any outbreaks. (*Ref: Tennis Vic Doc – What to do if someone at your Tennis Club, Centre or association tests positive to COVID-19*)

This includes:

- Notifying DHHS, City Council, participants, volunteers and organisers and close contacts about a positive case in the venue/facility .
- Organise City Council to deep clean in the event of a positive case.
- Confirming that a participant, volunteer or organiser (with a suspected or confirmed case) does not have coronavirus(COVID-19) before returning to physical venue/facility
- Confirming with DHHS and City Council that the venue/facility is fit for Reopening

- Asking participants, volunteers and organisers to declare that by using the venue they are free of symptoms, have not been in contact with a confirmed case and have not been directed to isolate.

5. Avoid interactions in enclosed spaces

Aim to reduce the amount of time participants, organisers, spectators spend in enclosed spaces. Current Clubhouse density limit to be followed, with signage indicating maximum number of people permitted inside.

6. Create workforce/activity bubbles

This COVIDSafe principle is deemed not applicable at our club.