

The Rule of Six

13 September

I am sure you are all aware of the new tighter regulations from the government that come into effect today around "**The Rule of Six**" - you will be pleased to hear that organised tennis activity is exempt from this restriction, however we must still be vigilant and abide by the social distancing guidelines when moving around the club.

The LTA Guidance states:

1. For informal social play, group size is limited to a maximum of six people by law
2. Organised tennis activity for larger groups, including coached sessions, club nights 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.

To be clear:

1. We need to be careful around point 1 - please make sure that you book a court with Alan for weekend tennis fours - and refrain from just asking people to 'turn up' & mix in.
2. Maintain a good social distance when arriving and leaving the club
3. Please do not gather in groups of more than 6 outside or inside the clubhouse
4. Only use the clubhouse for hand washing & toilet facilities
5. Use hand gel when entering and leaving the courts - there is also a gel dispenser by the clubhouse door.
6. For organised Social Play on Saturday & Sunday from 2pm - make sure that you sign in on the 'Track & Trace' sheets in the clubhouse.
7. We have completed a Risk Assessment and an Event Delivery Plan which will be clearly displayed on the club notice board for reference.

- Finally, we hope to be able to hold a **finals day on Saturday 10th October**, we will of course be putting all the necessary covid-secure measures in place & will continue to monitor the LTA guidance in case tighter restrictions become necessary. It is unlikely that we will be able to have spectators or any sort of social function - Jill & Alan will provide an update nearer the time.
- Thank you for abiding by all these rules - I am sure you will all appreciate that this is an ever-moving situation and we must consider safety first, particularly in minimising the risk of infection/transmission, we can't be too careful when there are so many people (from all 3 clubs) using the grounds.