



Thunder Bay Community Tennis Centre Stage 1 COVID Protocols

TBCTC PLAYING PROTOCOLS DURING PHASE 1 of RE-OPENING:

- **SOCIAL/PHYSICAL DISTANCING should be practiced at all times!**
- Singles play will be allowed with restrictions (see below)
- Doubles will only be allowed for players from the same household:
 - Family members who live together can play regular doubles
 - Two family members from one household could be partners and play two people from another household (no mixing of partners, and singles ball protocol will be enforced)
- Players must stay a minimum of 2 metres away from others at any time.
- Handshakes, high-fives and/or elbow taps are not recommended. A simple thumbs up from a distance is a recommended alternative.
- For singles play, players to bring their own uniquely marked tennis balls so that, for example:
 - Player A should only pick up the balls by hand that are assigned to him and Player B only picks up balls by hand that are assigned to her when they are playing together.
 - When returning balls to a partner, or if balls travel to another court, players should return them using only their racquet or foot - **never their hands.**
 - This procedure will be applied to doubles as well
- Benches will not be available at this time.
- Members may use washrooms but otherwise the club house is off limits. Use the bathroom before coming to the centre if possible.
- Please alert the staff before entering the club house to use the facilities.
- Bring your own water and drinks. Water fountain will not be available.

GENERAL HEALTH REMINDERS:

- It is estimated that the virus responsible for COVID-19 can be transmitted through the sharing and handling of tennis balls, door handles, benches, the net and possibly the court itself. Players are urged to take extra precautions before, during and after their time on the court(WASH HANDS OFTEN, DON'T SHARE EQUIPMENT AND PERSONAL ITEMS, TOUCH AS FEW THINGS AS YOU CAN)
- Players should be told that they must refrain from playing and to stay home if they:
 - are not feeling well or are exhibiting flu-like symptoms, or any known coronavirus symptoms, (incl. fever, cough, difficulty breathing, etc.).
 - have been in contact with someone with COVID-19 and/or flu-like symptoms in the previous 14 days.
 - have been overseas in the previous 14 days.
 - are considered vulnerable or at risk to infection