TENNIS ACTIVITY DURING COVID-19 ALERT LEVEL GUIDELINES



LEVEL	KEY CENTRAL GOVERNMENT MEASURES	TENNIS NZ MEASURES	WHAT WE RECOMMEND FOR TENNIS ORGANISATIONS (REGIONS, ASSOCIATIONS, CLUBS, COACHES & FACILITIES)
 Sustained and intensive transmission Widespread outbreaks 	 People instructed to stay at home. Educational facilities closed. Businesses closed except for essential services and lifeline utilities. Rationing of supplies and requisitioning of facilities. Travel severely limited. 	 All organised tennis competition, training and in person education under the mandate of Tennis NZ and Regions cancelled or postponed. All Tennis NZ Performance Squad/Programme Training cancelled. All in person workshops, conferences, face to face meetings and other external activities not taking place – postponed and on hold. Tennis NZ offices shut – all staff working from home. No international or domestic travel for Tennis NZ staff. Tennis NZ will conduct all internal and external business via video 	 Shut all facilities, offices, clubs, and suspend all coaching and tennis and activities. All staff and/or volunteers should work from home. No tennis activity happening at clubs or facilities.
LEVEL 3 – RESTRICT Community transmission occurring OR Multiple clusters break out	Affected educational facilities closed.Mass gatherings cancelled.	 All organised tennis competition, training and in person education under the mandate of Tennis NZ and Regions cancelled or postponed. All Tennis NZ Performance Squad/Programme Training cancelled All in person workshops, conferences, face to face meetings and other external activities not taking place – postponed and on hold. 	Clubs and centres can choose to open courts under the following conditions: Appropriate health and safety measures must be in place. Courts are open only. Buildings, clubhouses, toilets etc remain shut. Only players can go to the courts (no spectators)
	 Public venues closed (e.g. gyms, pools, libraries). Alternative ways of working required, and some non-essential businesses should close. Non face-to-face primary care consultations. Non acute (elective) services and procedures in hospitals deferred and healthcare staff reprioritised. 	 Tennis NZ offices shut – all staff working from home. No international or domestic travel for Tennis NZ staff. Tennis NZ will conduct all internal and external business via video conferencing/telephone. 	 Hand sanitiser must be accessible by the gate/entrance to courts. Hand sanitiser should be used regularly and certainly on entry and exit to the courts. Equipment will not be shared with anyone outside of your bubble. Play within YOUR BUBBLE only. Do not arrange to meet anyone else to play. This means coaching (outside of your bubble) is not permitted. Read the full Sport NZ Government guidelines. We recommend you use the Ministry of Health NZ Covid Tracer QR code poster. Use R911288 for the LocationBIC code in the template spreadsheet.

Please continue to monitor for further updates:

https://covid19.govt.nz/

https://health.govt.nz

https://tennis.kiwi/covid-19/

Health and disability care services operate as

Businesses can open to the public but must

follow public health guidance including in

relation to physical distancing and contact

encouraged where possible (e.g. remote

distancing, staggering meal breaks, flexible

early learning services and tertiary education.

There will be appropriate measures in place.

People at higher-risk of severe illness from

medical conditions, especially if not well-

controlled, and seniors) are encouraged to

take additional precautions when leaving home. They may work if they agree with their

employer that they can do so safely

COVID-19 (e.g. those with underlying

It is safe to send your children to schools,

working, shift based working, physical

tracing. Alternative ways of working

normally as possible.

leave).



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LEVEL 2 – REDUCE	People can reconnect with friends and family,	All organised tennis competition under the mandate of Tennis NZ	All facilities must practice sanitation measures, and record contact tracing
The disease is contained	go shopping, or travel domestically, but	is risk assessed and delivered only if government requirements	details. Facilities with employees must have a WorkSafe plan in place.
but the risk of community	should follow public health guidance.	can be met.	Contact Tracing
transmission remains.	Physical distancing of two metres from	All Tennis NZ Performance Squad/Programme Training are held	Contact tracing register for all participants and spectators must be in
Household transmission could	people you don't know when out in public	based on requirements listed below being met.	place and able to be accessed quickly.
be occurring.	is recommended, with one metre physical	All Tennis NZ in person workshops, education, face to face	Cleaning and Hygiene
Single or isolated cluster	distancing in controlled environments like	meetings and external activities risk assessed and held based on	 Participants should wash and dry their hands before and after playing;
outbreak	workplaces unless other measures are in	requirements listed below being met.	equipment should be washed and dried before and after playing.
	place.	Tennis NZ offices open on rotation basis to limit staff numbers	Measures should be taken to minimise the sharing of equipment/
	No more than 100 people at indoor or	and practice safe physical distancing.	balls. However, for sports or activities where equipment must be
	outdoor gatherings.	No international or domestic travel for Tennis NZ staff unless	shared ensure that all participants wash and dry their hands before
	Sport and recreation activities are allowed,	absolutely necessary	and afterwards and clean and disinfect the equipment before and
	subject to conditions on gatherings, contact	Tennis NZ will conduct the majority of external business via video	afterwards
	tracing, and – where practical – physical	conferencing / telephone.	Exercise caution with common touch points (e.g. gates or doors) and
	distancing.		wash or sanitise your hands after touching these surfaces. Facilities
	Public venues can open but must comply with		must have a written plan for safe operation in place. Sanitation
	public health measures.		measures can be found here. Water, soap and towels/drier should be

Gatherings

Gatherings must be limited a maximum of 100 people (either indoors or outdoors).

sanitiser (containing at least 60% alcohol).

made available for participants to wash and dry their hands or hand

If unwell

If you or members of your household are unwell, you should stay home. You must not participate in physical activity (or leave home) if you are displaying symptoms of COVID-19, awaiting a test result, or required to self-isolate.

Physical Distancing

People may participate in team sport and physical activity, including where physical distance cannot be maintained. This means that training and competition for contact sports will be possible if other public health measures are observed. Participants should maintain physical distancing when not participating in the sport or activity.

Risky activities

Activities should only be completed within your confidence and skill level to continue to reduce the need for essential services assistance.



APPLYING REQUIREMENTS TO TENNIS AT ALERT LEVEL 2

Contact Tracing

- Clubs, venues, coaches, organisers should use the government contact tracking tool. QR code tracer poster. We recommend you use the Ministry of Health NZ Covid Tracer QR code poster. Use R911288 for the LocationBIC code in the template spreadsheet.
- All participants and spectators should complete contact tracing via an electronic system or online register should be accessible to the Ministry of Health for contact tracing purposes at all times up to 4 weeks after the contact took place. This process should be detailed in your organisation's plan for safe operation a safety plan is provided on www.tennis.kiwi
- You may need to consider restricting the number of spectators or asking people to register in advance.

Cleaning and Hygiene

- All participants should wash and dry their hand before and after partaking in any tennis activity. Ideally, they should be advised of this in advance of attending to allow time for this to happen safely.
- Measures should be taken to minimise the sharing of equipment, for example only the coach should touch balls and any shared equipment like ball machines should be cleaned before and after each use.
- Clubs and coaches should work together to ensure they are managing this well between them.

Gatherings

- Indoor and outdoor facilities will need to restrict crowds to a maximum of 100 people while maintaining a 1 metre physical distancing requirement if a contact tracing register is being used.
- For smaller venues a lower maximum number may be more appropriate to maintain physical distancing.
- Gathering restrictions apply to each separate space e.g. an outdoor court that can be managed separately with suitable physical distancing between these spaces.
- Coaches will need to consider numbers for group sessions. e.g. for a Hot Shots red session, plan for a maximum group number which always keeps at least 1 metre distance between all children and coaches.
- Care must be taken to avoid gathering at communal points such as entries and car parks. Phasing of activities could be used to allow time for people to pass through these areas safely.
- Tennis facilities and deliverers should follow public health guidelines on physical distancing and personal hygiene.
- If you are having events or competitions, consider limiting numbers to ensure physical distancing can take place, take extra care on cleaning surfaces and when preparing food to minimise risks.
- Now is not the time to have a large club prizegiving or event, think about keeping things simple.

Physical Distancing

Tennis is a naturally physically distanced sport but you should still exercise caution when playing or delivering tennis. For example: change ends at the other side of the net to your opponent, don't congregate at the net, in the clubhouse or carpark, keep your distance when talking to players.



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LEVEL 1 – PREPARE	 If you're sick, stay home. Don't go to work or school. Don't socialise. If you have cold or flu symptoms call your doctor or Healthline and make sure you get tested. Wash your hands. Wash your hands. Wash your hands. Sneeze and cough into your elbow, and regularly disinfect shared surfaces. If you are told by health authorities to self-isolate you must do so immediately. If you're concerned about your wellbeing, or have underlying health conditions, work with your GP to understand how best to stay healthy. Keep track of where you've been and who you've seen to help contact tracing if needed. Use the NZ COVID Tracer app as a handy way of doing this. Businesses should help people keep track of their movements by displaying the Ministry of Health QR Code for contact tracing. Stay vigilant. There is still a global pandemic going on. People and businesses should be prepared to act fast to step up Alert Levels if we have to. People will have had different experiences over the last couple of months. Whatever you're feeling — it's okay. Be kind to others. Be kind to yourself. 	 Good hygiene for all staff at all times Events and competitions will be held with an expectation of good hygiene from all staff, players and attendees. Venues will display government best practice signage and appropriate QR code contact tracing/tracking posters. All Tennis NZ Performance Squad/Programme Training will be held following best hygiene practices. All Tennis NZ in person workshops, education, face to face meetings and external activities will be held following best hygiene practices. Tennis NZ offices are open. Staff can travel domestically, and international travel is restricted to a case by case basis. Tennis NZ will conduct external business in person or via video conferencing/telephone 	Level 1 is as close to business as usual. To keep everyone safe, for coaches, clubs, tennis centres and businesses these golden rules will apply: Display hygiene signage prominently on your courts, club rooms, entrances, noticeboards: Good hygiene practices QR code tracer poster. We recommend you use the Ministry of Health NZ Covid Tracer QR code poster. Use R911288 for the LocationBIC code in the template spreadsheet. Keep things clean or closed. Ensure a regular cleaning schedule is in place for shared areas such as changing rooms, toilets, clubrooms, bar tables, door handles. Manage larger events well – for example, at club fundraisers and prizegivings ensure all attendees register to attend (or, as organizer, keep a good register) especially if you can't guarantee that people will have checked in using the QR code tracer displayed at your venue.