



Dear Member,

Like me, no doubt you will be disappointed that Boris [bless him] is continuing to muddle through and has postponed the prospect of “life at the Club” returning to normal from 21st June to a new date of 19th July.

So, it is incumbent upon me to **remind everyone** of the protocols and procedures necessary for the smooth running of the Club and continued compliance with current Covid-19 guidelines; in effect, continuing what we have been doing during step 3 but with a **greater degree of compliance. !!**

One or two of the players have asked [yet again] about when the Changing Rooms and showers will be available citing the fact that these facilities are available at some Clubs.

I can only point out the relevant facts.

We can only open these facilities **provided** we can comply with Government & ES guidelines which call for a high level and **multiple daily frequency** of cleaning and sanitising etc.

Their advice, which I have sought, is that if we cannot meet the standards required then the facilities should remain closed.

Clearly, there are Clubs with the staff to do these things - equally, there are Clubs who just don't bother to comply.

I will repeat the list the do's and don'ts as a series of bullet points.

[“Squash” may be taken to include Racketball [Squash 57], table tennis, fitness, metafit, circuits, routines, coaching etc.]

- ✚ Courts **MUST** be pre-booked on the “MyCourts” system.
- ✚ The player booking the court must include the name of the opponent.
- ✚ **BOTH** players are required to **CHECK IN** on the “MyCourts” system.
- ✚ Players must keep to time and can be “knocked off” if over running time.

Specific Government and England Squash guidelines are to be complied with.

- ✚ Sign the Track & Trace Register upon entering and leaving the Club.
- ✚ Keep safe measures such as Surface Cleansing, hand & ball sanitising, safe distancing etc all remain in place. If you touch it - clean it.
- ✚ Players should arrive changed ready to play.
- ✚ Players should change into playing shoes and not wear playing shoes outside the Club.
- ✚ Players must **NOT** wipe hands on Court walls.
- ✚ Changing Rooms & showers will NOT be available until after 19th July 2021.
- ✚ **Face masks to be worn in all off court areas.**
- ✚ Internal Squash & Racketball leagues may recommence playing full court Squash.
- ✚ A maximum of 6 Spectators/parents are permitted wearing face coverings.
- ✚ Indoor fitness activities may take place.
- ✚ Hospitality Areas may be opened with hand sanitising and **surface cleansing** in place.
- ✚ Outdoor fitness activities may take place.

Whether we agree with the guidelines or not, It is up to each and everyone of us to encourage one another to comply; as you know it is in the interests of everyone to reduce the risk of spreading the virus.

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