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Health and Safety

The Event will be conducted under significant public health restrictions brought about by the global COVID-19 pandemic. TA has put in place a thorough biosecurity plan protect Participants and the community.

The key messages for Participants from the plan are as follows:

Headlines

You must stay at home if you:

- have been in contact with someone with COVID-19 in the last 14 days;
- have been overseas or exposed to someone with COVID-19 in the last 14 days;
- have fever, coughing, sore throat, shortness of breath (Symptoms);
- are in a high risk health category (ie. aged over 70; aged over 65 or Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander aged over 50 with chronic illness including diabetes, cardiovascular disease, lung disease, cancer or obesity);
- have been tested for COVID-19 and are awaiting results.

If you have Symptoms, get tested.

Wash or sterilise your hands regularly, especially before and after eating, after going to the toilet, sneezing and coughing, and avoid touching your face.

Do not share water bottles and personal equipment.

Cover your coughs and sneezes and dispose of any used tissue immediately.

Keep at least 1.5 metres distance from those around you at all times:

- avoid hugging and kissing;
- swap handshakes for a wave; and
- turn face to face interactions into phone or video conference calls.

Education

All Participants should complete the Australian Government COVID-19 infection control training module:

https://www.health.gov.au/resources/apps-and-tools/covid-19-infection-control-training. Many Players have previously completed this training as part of the National Academy Return to Training.



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Screening

All Participants will be screened upon arrival at the Venue, i.e taking temperatures. A record of Venue attendances will also be maintained, including phone number, time in/out etc.

TA recommends all Participants download the COVIDSafe app to help speed up the process of identifying anyone who has been in close contact with someone diagnosed with COVID-19.

https://www.health.gov.au/resources/apps-and-tools/covidsafe-app

Match Preparation

In accordance with the AIS Framework For Rebooting Sport In A Covid-19 Environment Framework, the Event will seek to maximize social distancing by the principle: '**Get in, [play], and get out**'. Players are strongly encouraged to:

- a. arrive dressed and ready to play;
- b. minimise use of change rooms, bathrooms and communal areas;
- c. where possible, shower at home instead of the Venue;
- d. eat main meals off site;
- e. any tasks that can be done at home, should be done at home (e.g. recovery sessions, coaching feedback)
- f. parents, family and friends should be discouraged from spectating and waiting around the Venue. Unless otherwise advised, Player Support will be limited to <u>one</u> nominee per day, who should be notified in advance to the Tournament Director.

Matches

The Event will provide an opportunity to showcase social distancing and enhanced hygiene in tennis.

On court, you are:

- a. encouraged to wash hands before and after coming to the court, sanitise hands at change of ends and cross the net on opposite sides (to maintain distancing); and
- b. discouraged from touching your face, spitting etc, handing your towel to anyone else, pre and post-match handshakes.

Away from the Event

To reduce any likelihood of COVID-19 transmission, but also to reduce the likelihood that you are identified by Public Health Authorities as a 'close contact' of a known case (and so forced to isolate away from the Event), we recommend Participants pay special attention to avoiding extended contacts with persons outside their home for the duration of the Event and the days prior to commencement, such as



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a. over 15 minutes of face-to-face contact; or

b. over 2 hours in a shared indoor space.

For example, reconsider extended visits to restaurants, cafes, pubs, family gatherings, travelling by public transport, visits to the hairdresser, travelling far from home and the like.

Further Details

The plan includes many further arrangements, including about cleaning, positive tests protocols, Venue requirements; however these are the key messages. If you have any questions about the biosecurity planning for the Event, please get in contact with the Tournament Director.

Cooperation, compromise and flexibility will be required on the part of TA and all Participants to deliver this Event in a biosecure manner.