



BOLDMERE TENNIS CLUB

138 Jockey Road, Sutton Coldfield, B73 5PP

29/3/21 BTC Covid Opening Rules

Dear Member

We are delighted to reopen Boldmere Tennis Club on the 29th of March. The LTA guidelines which have informed our Covid Opening Rules can be found by following this link:

<https://www.lta.org.uk/about-us/tennis-news/news-and-opinion/general-news/2020/march/coronavirus-covid-19---latest-advice/#england>

Please read this guidance carefully to make sure you are aware of all the details and we keep each other safe.

Use of the Toilets

PARENTS please accompany children under 12 and ensure they follow these instructions.

- **ONE** person (except for a parent/guardian) in the clubhouse at a time to use **TOILET** facilities **ONLY**.
- Wear a **MASK**.
- **SANITISE** your hands before you touch anything.
- **UNLOCK** and **OPEN** the door.
- Use facilities, **MINIMISE** the surfaces you touch.
- **CLEAN** all the surfaces you have touched with an anti-bacterial wipe.
- **LOCK** the door.
- **SANITISE** your hands.

Membership

- Courts can be booked by members only.
- To renew your membership please pay your fees online, sort code 09 06 66, account number 42036570 before your first game. Please contact Chris Kimberley if you have any queries (chrisjk858@gmail.com, 07515 635475)

Booking rules

- All courts **must** be booked in advance using Clubspark which can be accessed via our website (<http://www.boldmeretennisclub.org.uk>)
- Bookings are free of charge.
- Court bookings will be in multiples of 15 minutes up to a maximum of 2.5 hours.
- Courts will be available for booking each day between 9am and 8pm.

- Please arrive promptly at the start of your booking.

- Please cancel bookings you don't need so they are available to other members.
- To comply with test and trace please also record the people you are playing with in the Register which is kept in the BBQ.
- The committee have been concerned that some members are forgetting to record the people they are playing with in the register. We therefore ask members to keep their own records of the date and time when they have played for at least three weeks, this is in addition to recording who is playing in the Club Register. This is important as the club is obliged to retain records of individuals who have played for a rolling 3 week period

Visitors

- Visitors can play at BTC. Our normal visitors' policy will apply:
- All visitors must be signed in by a BTC member before they start to play in order to comply with the terms of our insurance. The signing in sheet is in the BBQ.
- To comply with Test and Trace, visitors must record their phone numbers in the Register which is also kept in the BBQ.
- It is the responsibility of the BTC member to brief the visitor on the latest Covid safety guidance issued by the club.
- A visitor's first visit is free of charge, but they must still be signed in.
- A visitor is then permitted 5 more paid visits per season. The charge is £5 for adults (over 18) and £3 for juniors (18 and under). Please pay promptly online, sort code 09 06 66, account number 42036570. Please type 'Visitor – visitor's name' in the reference for the transaction.
- Should the visitor decide to join, their visitor's fees will be deducted from their membership fee.

Before you play

- Stay at home if you have any Covid-19 symptoms, have had contact with anyone who has Covid-19 symptoms, have a household member who is at high risk or fall into any of the criterion under which the Government guidelines are to self-isolate.
- Bring your own drink.
- Bring your own hand sanitiser and any other items you require for hygiene.

General

- If anyone who has played at BTC develops symptoms of COVID-19, they should follow the Government's 'test and trace' guidelines, which can be read on the Gov.uk website

During play and whilst on the club premises

- Respect social distancing at all times.
- Some members have expressed concern that social distancing for people arriving at the club is difficult if people are standing around the courts. This is particularly

difficult if people stand on the path at the side of court 2. Please do not stand on this path.

- As you move around the premises please be mindful that there are some 'blind corners'. Approach these with care and take measures to observe social distancing.
- Avoid coughing or cough into your elbow or a tissue.
- No spitting.
- Take your rubbish home with you.
- Avoid changing ends or do so at opposite net posts in a clockwise direction.
- Avoid touching all surfaces as they will not be cleaned.
- Court users should clean their hands with alcohol gel after touching shared surfaces such as gates. Where safe and appropriate, doors and court gates should be left open during playing hours
- Do not sit on or touch the benches.
- Gates will be open, please leave them ajar and do not use the sliding mechanisms to secure them.
- No spectators, with the exception of one parent or guardian for juniors. Parents and guardians are asked not to congregate on the footpath at the side of court 2 and should observe social distancing.
- Please do not socialise or congregate in groups on club premises (including the carpark) before or after play.
- There will be an accident book and first aid kit in the BBQ should they be needed.

Floodlights

These guidelines have been designed to minimise touch points and to avoid the need for handling money and floodlight tokens.

Please do not use the floodlights after 9pm or at any time on Sundays.

- The key for the floodlight box will be attached to the outside of the box and the 'On Keys' for the floodlight meters will be attached to the inside of the floodlight box.
- Switch the floodlights on for a court using the On Key. Turning the key a quarter turn clockwise will change the display from '00.00' to 'Free' and the lights will come on. The lights will stay on while the display is 'Free', the key does not need to be in place.
- At the end of play turn the On Key a quarter turn anti-clockwise which will set the display back to '00.00'.
- Please leave 'On Key' in the key hole for ease of use by the next member.
- Note that if the lights are turned off they need to cool down for approximately 10 minutes before they will switch on again.
- Players involved in Winter League will have paid for their floodlight usage in advance.
- For all other play, the cost for using the floodlights on **one court** is £1 for every 15 minutes.
- Please pay for use of the floodlights promptly online, sort code 09 06 66, account number 42036570. Please type 'Floodlights' in the reference for the transaction.

- Please bring hand sanitiser to use before and after operating the floodlights.

Coaching

- Individual and group coaching must be booked in advance with Will, our coach.
- There are additional guidelines and safeguards in place for coaching. You will be briefed on these by Will should you book a lesson.
- A maximum of one parent or guardian may stay with each child while they are being coached.
- One parent or guardian of children under 12 must stay on site while their child has a lesson to accompany them to the toilet and ensure they comply with the guidelines for using the toilets.
- Parents or guardians accompanying their children will be directed by the coach not to stand on the path around court 2 so that members can use the path and observe social distancing.
- To comply with Test and Trace guidelines, Will will record the names and phone numbers of the people he coaches and of accompanying parents.