

NEW YORK TENNIS CLUB – 2020 MEMBER COVID-19 PROCEDURES

New York State has agreed that “low risk recreational activities, such as tennis,” can resume. However, in order to protect our members and staff, we must all take steps that wouldn’t be necessary in a normal season. If these are followed, we can have a safe and enjoyable recreational experience.

Please read this document carefully. By visiting the Club and playing tennis, all members agree to follow the guidelines listed here and to waive any and all claims or liabilities against the Club, its members or employees relating to COVID-19.

PREPARING TO VISIT THE CLUB

1. DO NOT COME TO THE CLUB IF YOU’RE SICK, HAVE A FEVER, ARE COUGHING OR SNEEZING, HAVE LOST YOUR SENSE OF SMELL AND/OR TASTE, OR HAVE HAD CLOSE CONTACT WITH SOMEONE THAT RECENTLY TESTED POSITIVE. You will be asked to leave if showing symptoms.
2. If sharing a car or using public transportation, wear a mask.
3. Wear your tennis clothes and bring your racquets/equipment from home. The first time you play, you can retrieve what you need from your locker, then it will be off-limits.
4. You MUST have your own balls – see below the requirement for “personal serving balls.”
5. You should bring your own drinks (and food if desired). There will be no kitchen or refrigerator service, and water fountains will not be available.
6. Towels will not be provided – bring your own if desired.
7. Bring your own hand sanitizer (in case it’s not available) and use before/after playing.
8. Bring a pen or pencil; we will likely use a sign-in system for contract tracing.
9. Have a personal umbrella handy in case it rains; please don’t gather under the awning.
10. Please refrain from bringing guests at this time.
11. The ball machine is not available for use.

WHILE AT THE CLUB

1. STAY 6 FEET APART AT ALL TIMES, including changeovers, while sitting, waiting for a court assignment, etc. Avoid any gatherings. Masks are strongly recommended while off-court.
2. Don’t touch your eyes, nose or mouth; wear gloves if necessary.
3. “Personal serving balls” – Each player should use their own can of balls to serve, and then put these balls back in the can after that game.
4. Don’t pick up balls (except to serve) – use your racquet or foot.
5. Cough or sneeze into a tissue or your elbow.
6. Only one person at a time in the bathroom. (Will be controlled by caretakers)
7. The showers will be closed. Please shower at home.
8. There will be no parties or tournaments until further notice.