



## **REOPENING GUIDELINES FOR THE ALDERSHOT TENNIS CLUB**

### **COVID-19 Protocol**

#### **July 24, 2020 - Phase 3**

Ontario remains in a State of Emergency due to the COVID-19 pandemic. To ensure we can safely return to tennis, play will resume with modified play. We ask that all members be patient and courteous to all members as we work to keep each other safe.

The club has developed the following guidelines to provide a safe return by abiding by the protocols established by Premier Ford, City of Burlington, Tennis Canada and [OTA \(Stage 3\)](#). We ask all members to please do their part in keeping the ATC safe. **As the City of Burlington and Province moves into Phase 4 these guidelines will be adjusted as required.**

Please note, if the club is informed by the Public Health Unit that a member has been diagnosed with COVID-19, if necessary the club will assist by providing names of members who were present at the same time. The club will also temporarily close to clean all contact points at the facility prior to reopening.

#### **Aldershot Tennis Club: Phase 3 Guidelines**

**The following rules will be strictly enforced and must be adhered to ensure continued play at the Club during the pandemic. Membership privileges could be removed if guidelines are not followed.**

**Please review the “Members” section of the website for court access information.**

#### **Prior to Booking Court Time**

Before attending Aldershot Tennis Club we ask all members to please take note of the following:

- **DO NOT COME TO THE CLUB** if you have coronavirus or have been in contact with someone who is diagnosed or presumed COVID-19 positive in the last 14 days.
- **DO NOT COME TO THE CLUB** if you are feeling unwell or exhibiting flu-like symptoms. Please refer to Ontario [COVID-19 Self-Assessment](#) if you exhibit any related symptoms.
- **DO NOT COME TO THE CLUB** if you have returned from travel or have come in contact with someone who has returned from travel in the past 14 days.
- **DO KNOW** your Risk Level – Older adults or individuals with underlying medical conditions may be at a higher risk of severe illness if exposed to COVID 19. If uncertain of your Risk Level, check with your family doctor before returning to activities.

#### **General Club Guidelines**

- Club House and Washrooms will **NOT** be open.
- Courts will be open for play from 7am to 10pm. Lights will automatically turn on at 8:15pm and off at 10:15pm, the button on the outside wall of the building has been locked and disabled.

- Hand sanitizer will be made available for members use. If possible please bring your own sanitizer and wipes.
- Sanitizing wipes will be made available to wipe down the entry lock and key when used.
- **No Guests or Walk-Ons** will be permitted. Member's play **MUST** be booked through Gigasport.
- Singles and Doubles play is allowed. Members **MUST** practice physical distancing when playing doubles. Members are asked to review [OTA Playing Doubles Safely](#) Instructions.
- Leagues and Round Robins are permitted in Phase 3. During each session attendance **MUST** be recorded and left in the airlock, if no one volunteers to take attendance and manage the league court time will not be allocated.
- **Juniors:** All juniors will be required to have a waiver signed by a parent or guardian and juniors under 10 will require a guardian to supervise from outside of the courts. Exception: Guardian is a member and wishes to play singles or doubles with junior.
- Ball Hoppers and Ball Machines can **ONLY** be used when adjacent courts are empty. Please be courteous when using a ball hopper to ensure stray balls do not go onto courts in use. When using a ball hopper the rules concerning handling tennis balls are still in effect.
- No tools will be placed on courts to eliminate touch points. **DO NOT** bring any brooms, squeegees or court rollers onto the courts.
- Report any safety concerns to the ATC president: [president@aldershottennis.ca](mailto:president@aldershottennis.ca)

### Rules for Tennis Play

While playing tennis please note the following:

- **MAINTAIN PHYSICAL DISTANCING** at all times (be at least 6.3 ft to 2 meters from all players and staff).
- **Please** review and understand the Tennis Canada guidelines for players, [http://www.tenniscanada.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/Post-covid-RecommendationsJoueurs-ENG\\_compressed.pdf](http://www.tenniscanada.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/Post-covid-RecommendationsJoueurs-ENG_compressed.pdf)

### Before Play

- Wash your hands and if possible bring hand sanitizer.
- Wipe down your equipment and bring water. No water fountain available on the courts.
- If possible leave space in the parking lot between cars.

### During Play

- **DO NOT** show up at the club until your booked time.
- First member to enter through the outside gate is asked to prop it open. Member to wipe down lock and lock box.
- Access the courts through the Gate by Court 4, ensure players are notified you will be walking across courts. Please use racquets or equipment to open gate.
- **DO NOT** walk onto the court, until the previous players have left.
- **DO NOT** change ends during play.
- **DO NOT** share any equipment, water or food.

- **DO NOT** walk onto any other court to retrieve a ball during play. If you need to walk through a court, please communicate with the players first.
- Avoid touching:
  - Your face;
  - Touching communal surfaces, like the gates or door with your hands.
- If you need to cough or sneeze, please do so into your elbow or clothing.

#### After Play

- Please be courteous and play within your allotted time.
- **DO NOT** shake hands.
- Collect all of your garbage prior to leaving the courts.
- Once play is complete, **leave the courts and parking lot immediately**. Do **NOT** congregate in the parking lot or court area.
- Members will be asked to leave through the emergency doors to prevent congestion.
  - Court 1, 2 and 3 will leave through door on Court 2. Please ask members players on court 2 prior to walking through courts.
  - Court 4 will leave through door on Court 4.
- **Last member to leave the facility at 10pm will be asked to lock the main gate. Member to wipe down lock and lock box.**
- Wash your hands at home after visiting the courts.