

SENIORS

RANKED TOURNAMENT REGULATIONS

(UNDER LEVEL 2 LOCKDOWN)

1. TERMS & CONDITIONS UPON ENTRY AND PRIOR TO TOURNAMENT BEGINNING:

You will be required to agree to the following conditions upon entry:

- To abide by the Government Regulations relating to Level 2 Lockdown and any additional regulations laid down by Tennis SA.
- Where a tournament venue may have their own additional COVID 19 health and safety precautions, agree to abide by and follow these measures;
- Agree to not hold any tournament organizer, competitor, official, Provincial Association or Tennis South Africa responsible or liable in the event of contracting the Corona virus.
- Take full responsibility and accountability for ensuring health and safety precautions.
- Agree to withdraw if you have:
 - o been in contact with someone with COVID-19 in the last 14 days,
 - o have any flu-like symptoms,
 - o or are in a high-risk health category

You must then <u>not</u> enter a forthcoming tournament until you have been declared medically fit and able to compete. If a player has entered a tournament that is to commence within the 14-day period from the initial withdrawal, the player will automatically be withdrawn from the said tournament.

- To abide by the TSA tournament Rules Regulations and Code of Conduct.
- To indemnify TSA, the Tournament Organisers, Officials and all persons associated with the tournament from all liabilities and claims that could accrue to me or my heirs, executors or administrators as a result of illness, injury or death incurred by participating in this tournament.
- All refunds are processed by the system upon withdrawal.
- If you should have difficulty withdrawing on line, please send an email to seniors@tennissa.co.za
 before the withdrawal deadline. Failure to withdraw within the specified deadline will result in no refund being made;

2. ON-SITE AT THE TOURNAMENT VENUE:

- Always wear face masks covering mouth and nose when on-site and avoid touching face.
- Arrive as close to your match time as possible.
- Participants may have a maximum of **one guest** to accompany them on-site.
- All <u>guests</u> accompanying players will need to provide certain personal data and <u>sign a daily</u> attendance register upon arriving at the venue. Personal data will be utilized for contact tracing purposes only.
- Non-compliance of completing the necessary information/data will result in the person not being granted access to the venue.
- Advisable to bring own chairs.
- Always adhere strictly to **social distancing** and **refrain from gathering in groups.**
- Observe social distancing and <u>stringent hygiene</u> when using toilets. Wash hands thoroughly and sanitize after toilet use and avoid drinking water directly from taps.
- Cough and sneeze into your elbow or a tissue and dispose of any used tissue immediately.
- Be responsible for own litter after having something to eat and drink, by personally placing the empty containers etc. in a dustbin.
- Avoid unnecessary gathering around the tournament office/desk. Refer to notice board instead.
- Upon completion of your match, depart from venue and return in time for your next match.
- No use of **showering facilities** will be permitted.
- Where possible, all efforts to be made to try and avoid remaining on-site.
- Masks to be worn at all times while on-site by players and guests.

3. ON-COURT AT THE TOURNAMENT VENUE:

- Masks over nose and mouth to be worn when arriving on court. Masks may be removed during the match but must be worn when leaving the court.
- Wash/sterilize hands before and after play and avoid touching your face while playing.
- Advisable for players to bring **own hand sanitisers** in tennis bags to use on changeovers.
- **Tennis balls** will be handled **as normal** in singles and doubles, but players need to **sanitise** on **every** change-over. Important to **avoid touching your face** because you are all handling the **same balls**.
- No sharing of water bottles. Participants to bring own water bottle and towels.
- No sharing of on court benches. Participants to be seated far apart.
- When changing ends do so at opposite ends of the net.
- When changing ends allow **sufficient space** for one another to pass.
- Be aware of what surfaces you touch and do not touch equipment such as net or net handle. If you do, you must immediately clean the area you touched with sanitizer.
- **No high fives** during the match or **shaking of hands** after the match, only tapping of rackets will be permitted.
- **BOTH** players to return tennis balls to the tournament desk when reporting the score and ascertain the time for their **next match** so that they can leave the property until then **if at all possible**.
- Any person found to have broken the **COVID 19 Code of Conduct** or tournament regulations/procedures will face disciplinary action as per the **TSA Code of Conduct.**

4. FORMAT AND ORDER OF PLAY

- All matches will be scheduled on a 'Not Before' time basis with a 90-minute interval between scheduled matches instead of 75 minutes.
- All singles and doubles will be **two tiebreaker sets and a match tiebreaker** (10-point) in the third. **Semi-finals and finals matches will be three tiebreaker sets.**
- All mixed doubles matches will be two short sets (starting at 2-all) and a match tiebreaker (10-point) in the third.

LET'S WORK TOGETHER!

Please help us to keep everyone safe!

Let's all work together on the various requirements and guidelines in order to comply and show that tennis can remain active but safe during difficult times!

Your patience, understanding and support is greatly appreciated.

We need to take care of one another!

See you all on court soon!

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