

# COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS IN ENGLAND

## GOVERNMENT ROADMAP OVERVIEW

- This document provides a summary of what tennis activity will be permitted under the Government restrictions across England under each step of the roadmap, with a grid for each Step provided on the following pages. Further detail for future Steps will be added to these grids once it is confirmed
- **[UPDATED]** This document now includes updated provisional restrictions for Step 3 of the roadmap, which will take effect from Monday 17 May 2021, reflecting details published by [Sport England](#)
- This guidance is for recreational tennis – elite tennis is subject to separate strict protocols and can continue in line with these indoors and outdoors
- Where activity is listed as permitted, this may still be subject to additional restrictions and protocols – venues, coaches, players and officials should refer to the LTA's full COVID-19 Secure detailed guidance for the current step of the roadmap at [www.lta.org.uk/coronavirus](http://www.lta.org.uk/coronavirus)
- Organised group activity is defined as being activity organised by a national governing body, club, registered instructor/coach, business or charity, where in all cases the organiser must conduct a risk assessment and complete an event delivery plan to take all reasonable steps to limit transmission of the coronavirus in line with the relevant LTA COVID-19 Secure guidance. This covers formally organised group sessions, coaching and competitions – detailed guidance for delivering this activity is provided in the full LTA COVID-19 Secure guidance documents
- Where 'children's sport' is referenced it refers to activity for people aged under 18 on 31 August 2020. Adult sport refers to activity for anyone aged 18 or over on 31 August 2020
- Please continue to refer to the main [LTA coronavirus information page](#) for all the latest coronavirus updates

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## STEP 2: PERMITTED TENNIS ACTIVITY FROM 12 APRIL

- This grid outlines a summary of what tennis activity is permitted under Step 2 of the Government restrictions across England, with this applying from Monday 12 April 2021. Where activity is listed as permitted, this may still be subject to additional restrictions and protocols – for further information and latest updates venues, coaches, players and officials should refer to the LTA's dedicated information page at [www.lta.org.uk/coronavirus](http://www.lta.org.uk/coronavirus)

<p><b>OUTDOOR SOCIAL PLAY</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Permitted</li> <li>Singles &amp; Doubles</li> <li>Rule of 6</li> </ul>	<p><b>OUTDOOR 1:1 COACHING</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Permitted</li> <li>Number of clients in a day not limited</li> </ul>	<p><b>OUTDOOR ORGANISED GROUP ACTIVITY</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Permitted (adults &amp; children)</li> <li>Max group size for adults subject to safe capacity for venue/activity</li> <li>Max group size for children of 15</li> <li>Parent &amp; child groups permitted (max 15)</li> <li>No group socialising before/after</li> <li>Open Days permitted</li> </ul>	<p><b>OUTDOOR COMPETITIONS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Permitted (adults &amp; children)</li> <li>Singles &amp; Doubles</li> <li>Competition draw size subject to COVID-19 secure capacity of venue &amp; risk assessment</li> <li>Avoid socialising before or after matches</li> </ul>	<p><b>OUTDOOR SPECTATING &amp; SUPERVISION</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Spectating not allowed (other than on public land e.g. a park)</li> <li>Parent/guardian supervision permitted where required (one per player), as are carers – no mixing with other households</li> </ul>
<b>SOCIAL DISTANCING TO BE MAINTAINED BEFORE, DURING &amp; AFTER ALL TENNIS ACTIVITY</b>				
<p><b>INDOOR SOCIAL PLAY</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Singles &amp; doubles permitted for adults from same household /bubble only</li> <li>Singles &amp; doubles permitted for disabled people and supervised activity for U18s</li> </ul>	<p><b>INDOOR 1:1 COACHING</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Permitted (adults and children)</li> <li>Number of clients in a day not limited</li> </ul>	<p><b>INDOOR ORGANISED GROUP ACTIVITY</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Not permitted for adults</li> <li>Permitted for children – max group size of 15</li> <li>Parent &amp; child groups permitted (max 15)</li> <li>Exemption for disabled people (no group size limit)</li> </ul>	<p><b>INDOOR COMPETITIONS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Not permitted for adults</li> <li>Permitted for children (singles &amp; doubles)</li> <li>Exemption for disabled people (singles &amp; doubles)</li> <li>Competition draw sizes subject to COVID-19 secure capacity of venue &amp; risk assessment</li> </ul>	<p><b>INDOOR SPECTATING &amp; SUPERVISION</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Spectating not allowed</li> <li>Parent/guardian supervision permitted where required (one per player), as are carers – no mixing with other households</li> </ul>
<p><b>FACILITIES COURTS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Outdoor courts – open</li> <li>Indoor courts – open (with restrictions on use)</li> </ul>	<p><b>FACILITIES GENERAL INDOOR ACCESS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Not permitted</li> <li>Floodlight access permitted</li> <li>Equipment access permitted</li> <li>Throughway access to outdoor courts permitted (with Covid-19 Secure measures in place)</li> <li>Face masks to be worn indoors (when not participating)</li> </ul>	<p><b>FACILITIES TOILETS &amp; CHANGING</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use of toilets permitted</li> <li>Players to arrive changed ready to play, and to shower at home</li> <li>Changing rooms can be opened but use should be avoided or minimised where possible</li> </ul>	<p><b>FACILITIES CATERING</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bar/Café/Restaurant open – outdoors only (subject to rule of six and table service only)</li> <li>Takeaway service permitted</li> </ul>	<p><b>TRAVEL</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Travel for sport and exercise permitted</li> <li>Minimise journeys where possible</li> <li>Car sharing not permitted</li> <li>No overnight stays (other than where in self-contained accommodation)</li> </ul>

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## STEP 3: PERMITTED TENNIS ACTIVITY (FROM 17 MAY)

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Permitted</li> <li>Singles &amp; Doubles</li> <li>Rule of 30</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Permitted</li> <li>Number of clients in a day not limited</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Permitted (adults &amp; children)</li> <li>[UPDATED] Max group size for adults and children subject to safe capacity for venue/activity</li> <li>Parent &amp; child groups permitted</li> <li>Group socialising before/after subject to rule of 30 outdoors</li> <li>Open Days permitted</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Permitted (adults &amp; children)</li> <li>Singles &amp; Doubles</li> <li>Competition draw size subject to COVID-19 secure capacity of venue &amp; risk assessment</li> <li>Socialising before/after matches subject to rule of 30</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>[UPDATED] Spectating permitted – limit subject to COVID-19 secure capacity of venue &amp; risk assessment</li> <li>Rule of 30 (and no more than 4,000 spectators or 50% of capacity indoors, whichever is lower)</li> <li>Parent/guardian supervision permitted, as are carers</li> </ul>
SOCIAL DISTANCING TO BE MAINTAINED BEFORE, DURING & AFTER ALL TENNIS ACTIVITY				
INDOOR SOCIAL PLAY	INDOOR 1:1 COACHING	INDOOR ORGANISED GROUP ACTIVITY	INDOOR COMPETITIONS	INDOOR SPECTATING & SUPERVISION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Permitted</li> <li>Singles &amp; Doubles</li> <li>Rule of 6</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Permitted (adults and children)</li> <li>Number of clients in a day not limited</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Permitted (adults &amp; children)</li> <li>[UPDATED] Max group size for adults and children subject to safe capacity for venue/activity &amp; risk assessment</li> <li>Parent &amp; child groups permitted</li> <li>Group socialising before/after subject to rule of 6 indoors</li> <li>Open Days permitted</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Permitted (adults &amp; children)</li> <li>Singles &amp; Doubles</li> <li>Competition draw sizes subject to COVID-19 secure capacity of venue &amp; risk assessment</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>[UPDATED] Spectating permitted – total venue capacity aligned with the risk assessment and ventilation rates for that venue (and no more than 1,000 spectators or 50% of capacity indoors, whichever is lower)</li> <li>Rule of 6</li> <li>Parent/guardian supervision permitted, as are carers</li> </ul>
FACILITIES COURTS	FACILITIES GENERAL INDOOR ACCESS	FACILITIES TOILETS & CHANGING	FACILITIES CATERING	TRAVEL
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Outdoor courts – open</li> <li>Indoor courts – open</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Permitted – clubhouses open</li> <li>Rule of 6 for groups</li> <li>Face masks to be worn indoors (when not participating / sat at hospitality tables)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use of toilets permitted</li> <li>Changing rooms &amp; showers can be opened (minimise use where possible)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bar/Café/Restaurant open (outdoors rule of 30, indoors rule of 6)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Travel for sport and exercise permitted</li> <li>[UPDATED] Car sharing permitted</li> <li>Overnight stays in hotels &amp; B&amp;Bs permitted</li> </ul>

# NEXT STEPS: COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS IN ENGLAND

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- The Government's roadmap is based on four steps. To assist tennis venues, coaches and officials in preparations, we have summarised below the key relevant aspects of the easing of restrictions for each step, outlining what is known to date.
- Before taking each step, the Government will review the latest data on the impact of the previous step against four tests around vaccination deployment and impact, infection rates and NHS hospitalisations, and status of any new variants of the disease. They will then announce one week in advance whether restrictions will be eased as planned.
- The summary grid above and the roadmap overview below will be updated to detail how tennis activity will progress through the four steps of the roadmap as and when we receive confirmation of further detail from Government and Sport England.

### STEP 1: 8 March and 29 March

- Tennis in schools and sport as part of wraparound care (i.e. after-school clubs) can resume from 8 March
- Outdoor courts to open and recreational play to resume from 29 March (detail as per the above summary grid)

### STEP 2: From 12 April

- Indoor leisure facilities open for individual/household use only (includes 1:1 coaching)
- Indoor children's sport resumes, including group coaching (max group size of 15 children)
- Hospitality venues including pubs reopen outdoors only, subject to social contact restrictions (rule of 6)
- Guidance to minimise domestic travel where possible remains

### STEP 3: From 17 May

- Social contact restrictions relaxed to maximum 30 people outdoors (formally organised sport already exempt from this outdoors from 29 March)
- Rule of 6 or two households indoors
- Organised indoor 'adult group sports and exercise classes' resume, with limit on numbers based on safe capacity for venue/activity & risk assessment
- Large events permitted within capacity limits subject to strict Government guidance
- Hospitality resumes indoors
- Domestic overnight stays in hotels, hostels and B&Bs permitted line with social contact restriction
- Possible restart of international travel (subject to review)

### STEP 4: No earlier than 21 June

- Removal of limits on social contact
- Enable large events above Step 3 capacity restrictions, subject to the outcome of the scientific Events Research programme, and potentially using testing to reduce the risk of infection, subject to further evaluation.

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## STEP 4: PROVISIONAL PERMITTED TENNIS ACTIVITY (FROM NO EARLIER THAN 21 JUNE)

- This grid outlines a summary of what tennis activity will provisionally be permitted under Step 4 of the Government restrictions across England, with this apply from no earlier than 21 June 2021 (and subject to a review one week before that date). Where activity is listed as permitted, this may still be subject to additional restrictions and protocols – for further information and latest updates venues, coaches, players and officials should refer to the LTA's dedicated information page at [www.lta.org.uk/coronavirus](http://www.lta.org.uk/coronavirus)

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### SOCIAL DISTANCING GUIDANCE TBC

INDOOR SOCIAL PLAY	INDOOR 1:1 COACHING	INDOOR ORGANISED GROUP ACTIVITY	INDOOR COMPETITIONS	INDOOR SPECTATING & SUPERVISION
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