# BEST PRACTICES AND GUIDELINES

*These rules should be posted prominently in several places of play including where players enter and where they exit.* ***(REVISED 5-3-20)***

**1. Players should begin by asking if a player has or has been exposed to anyone who has Covid-19 virus symptoms. If yes, play should not begin, and the player should follow CDC guidelines and self-quarantine.**

**2. If you are older than 60 years old or have underlying health problems, you should follow CDC guidelines and self-quarantine.**

**3. If you have not been exposed and no one around you have signs or symptoms of the virus then being outdoors in UV light is a positive thing as long as it is not a public gathering scenario, is outdoors only, and includes no more than the normal 2-4 people on a tennis court each being 10-25 feet apart.**

**4. Tennis players must wash hands and equipment before and after play with soap and water; disinfect their equipment.**

**5. Players are to adhere to social distancing while on court.**

**6. To avoid sharing touched surfaces:**

- **All shops will be closed for business**
- **All play is restricted to outdoors only, no indoor play is permitted until further notice**
- **There can be no sales of any products including but not limited to grips, food or beverages, rackets, clothes, etc.**
- **All tennis gates kept open**
- **All seats, and gates cleaned before and after play**
- **Players to sit 6-10 feet apart**
- **Only one player can touch the balls**

- **The opposite player can only pick up balls with their racket**
- ~~**No serving to avoid touching the ball**~~
- **Players bring their own hydration**

**7. Open 2 cans of balls that do not share the same number.**

- **Take one set of numbered balls and have your playing partner take a set of balls from the other can.**
- **Proceed with play, making sure to pick up your set of numbered balls only.**
- **Should a ball with the other number wind up on your side of the court, do not touch with your hands. Use your racket head or feet to advance the ball to the other side of the court.**

**8. Players will use sanitizer after any touching any surface.**

**9. Players have sanitizer on court.**

**10. Players are not to gather together at anytime (especially before & after playing time).**

**11. Players avoid touching public items.**

**11. Removal of scoring tree.**

**12. Players avoid walking through an indoor facility to enter courts when possible.**