

Badminton England Report

Impact of Covid 19 on badminton

- All indoor badminton sessions have ceased
- Tournaments and competitions have been cancelled and postponed
- Coaching courses have been cancelled and postponed
- All non-essential payments including funding has been frozen

What Badminton England have been doing

- Arranging calls with clubs and coaches
 - Huge task with reduced staff but aim to call every affiliated club and coach nationwide
 - Task is still ongoing so if you haven't received a call yet you will do soon
 - Feedback from these calls has been invaluable and informed our guidance and resources
- Reviewing our membership structure & fees

All options are being considered *including extending season and reducing fees for next year
Information will be shared with our clubs ASAP once a final decision has been made

- Rearranging tournaments and competitions
- [Return to play guidance](#)

Guidance is lead by government guidelines

We are putting it in terms of badminton

This is being constantly reviewed and updated

Currently in the outdoor badminton phase of the plan

Detailed advice and guidance for players, clubs and coaches is already available for the return to indoor badminton phase

- Keeping you all informed

Newsletter and social media still active

Creating resources such as running virtual clubs available for free on Hive(please let me know if you want to access this)

Covid 19 hub on our [website](#)

We are all in this together

- Our priority going forward is to support and protect our affiliated clubs, coaches and members
- Our guidance includes check lists, risk assessments, how to guides and FAQs for clubs, coaches and members
- We have taken clubs and coaches feedback to ensure we have provided all the information and resources you need to get back on court
- If you are unclear or need support just get in touch with us
- Please keep an eye on our website – this is where you will find the most up to date information

Message from Aleisha

Once indoor facilities are open I will do what we can to assist your club to access courts. In order to ensure members health and wellbeing when you are back on court it is imperative clubs are following Badminton England's guidelines. I would ask all clubs and county associations to read the return to play guidance before getting back on court. There are certain processes that need to be

put in place prior to clubs returning to court. If you have any questions about how to run your club under social distancing restrictions, then please either check the FAQs section on the website or contact me directly. I am more than happy to assist with any queries but please be aware guidance will change in line with government advice and so it is important to ensure you are operating under the most recent guidance that has been released. Badminton can be played outdoors at present and clubs are able to run club nights outdoors provided our guidance is being followed. I appreciate this is not an alternative to indoor badminton however it can be beneficial for mental and social wellbeing. It also keeps members fit and active which will reduce the likelihood of injuries once players are back indoors.

Kind regards and take care

Aleisha