Robinswood Tennis Center COVID -19 Updated Facial Covering Guidance 4/2/2021

On March 22, 2021, King County officially moved into Phase 3. On March 26th, Governor Inslee's team updated the state guidance for Phase 3 Sporting Activities which includes tennis. The guidance for Phase 3 tennis can be summarized as follows:

- 1. **Tennis is a Low Contact Sport =** "Low contact sports: tennis, pickleball, golf, gymnastics, climbing, skating, archery, fencing, cross country, track and field, sideline/no-contact cheer and no-contact dance, disc golf."
- 2. **Face covering requirement Outdoor =** "Low contact outdoor sports athletes may remove facial coverings for training and competitions. Facial coverings must be worn by athletes when not actively training or competing."
- 3. **Face covering requirement Indoor =** "Low contact indoor sports athletes may remove facial coverings during competitions. Facial coverings must be worn by athletes when training or when not actively competing."
- 4. Face covering requirement Coaches = "Coaches, trainers, and officials must wear facial coverings at all times."

The requirement to wear facial coverings while training but not when competing is complex with no clear definition of competition. This puts each facility in the position of having to determine, based on their individual circumstances, what activities or programs constitute competition versus training. The Robinswood Tennis Center will take every precaution to ensure the safety of customers and staff in applying the updated guidance. The Robinswood Tennis Center defines all instructional activities as training. Face coverings will continue to be required for all instructional activities until indoor training has officially been exempted by the state.

Robinswood Tennis Center will adopt the following protocols effective 4/2/2021:

Face coverings are required to participate in the following activities:

- Indoor Adult programs & USTA team practices.
- Indoor Youth Saturday programs & weekday Jr. Tennis Teams.
- o Indoor Private & small group lesson instruction.
- o Indoor Singles & doubles court bookings.
- Indoor Ball machine rentals.
- Face coverings are considered optional for the following activities:
 - Outdoor Singles & Doubles court bookings.
 - Outdoor Lessons & Programs.
 - Outdoor USTA team practices.
 - Outdoor ball machine rental.
 - USTA Adult League match play.
- Face coverings will be worn by RTC staff at all times.

In alignment with the end of our Spring Programs Session #1, we will then allow face coverings as optional for standard indoor court bookings effective April 26th. The transition to allow optional face coverings for standard indoor bookings provides additional time for customers and staff to prepare for the change and more time for customers and staff to get vaccinated.

FACIAL COVERING PROTOCOLS 4/26/2021:

- Face coverings will be required to participate in the following activities:
 - Indoor Adult programs & USTA team practices.
 - o Indoor Youth Saturday programs & weekday Jr. Tennis Teams.
 - o Indoor Private & small group lesson instruction.
 - Indoor Ball machine rentals.
- Face coverings will be considered optional for the following activities:
 - o Singles & doubles court bookings indoor and outdoor.
 - Outdoor lessons and programs.
 - Outdoor USTA team practices.
 - Outdoor ball machine rental
 - USTA Adult League match play.
- Face coverings will be worn by RTC staff at all times.

The decision of adopting the current protocols is an effort to continue to provide a safe place to play tennis and help keep our staff safe. Thank you for your patience and continued support as we navigate through this next phase.

-Robinswood Tennis Center/Bellevue Parks & Community Services