

RISK ASSESSMENT - NONSPECIFIC VENUE

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Personal injury from trip hazards on court.	Medium	Any player who could fall as a result of: Trip hazard due to uneven surface of courts Slippery courts due to rain, frost, snow, ice. Loose balls left on court during play (this hazard is increased during coaching when a considerable number of balls are being used) Unused equipment Players personal possessions i.e., kit bag, clothes etc.	Courts are inspected prior to play. Players are warned of adverse conditions. Appropriate footwear is worn to minimize risk. If required sessions and activities are amended based on the conditions and if needed cancelled. Coaches and volunteers ensure balls near players feet are removed to a safe location before any action takes place. Unused equipment is placed in a safe	Ensure club or facility is warned about issues with the playing area and any potential hazards. Educate players and carers on the need for their organization of personal possessions.	Coaches.	In the 24 hours up to a session, adverse weather conditions monitored. Prior to the start of a session an active assessment of playing conditions needs to be made.	Cont

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			location when not in use. Players personal possessions are stored at the side of the court within their own zone.				

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Personal injury from being hit by tennis ball or racket during play.	Low	Any person on court.	Ensure that coaches feed from a safe position. Players are organized in a manner that reduces the risk of being hit by a ball.	Ensure any new players are carefully monitored and ensure new volunteers and coaches look to minimize this risk.	Lead coach	Prior, during and after session.	Cont

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Illness, accidents, injuries.	Medium	Players, volunteers and coaches.	Each session must be led by a qualified coach with appropriate first aid training. They must have access to a mobile phone in case emergency calls have to be made. Ensure that each venue has a first aid box, and the location is known. Ensure that the location of any defibrillator is known. Maintain an up-to-date register of any known player health conditions, including emergency contact details.	Ensuring coaches' first aid training is up to date. Ensure venue's risk assessment is up to date.	Coaches and guardians.	When players / coaches / volunteers first start. Annual review of players / coaches / volunteer's details and health risks. Annual review of venues risk assessment and first aid kit.	Cont & Annua

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Faulty or inappropriate equipment.	Low	Players, volunteers and coaches.	Ensure that equipment is in good condition and any damaged equipment is replaced. Ensure there is appropriate equipment available to support any impairment i.e. VI balls, soft balls, red balls etc.	Ongoing investment in equipment. Encourage venues to invest in equipment where appropriate.	Lead coach	Coaches and Directors	cont

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Photos, video and Data protection	Low	Players who may be children and vulnerable adults. Junior volunteers / coaches.	See safeguarding policy. Ensuring that players / careers have been registered and provided their consent for images / video of players to be taken. Members of the public taking pictures must be challenged by the coach leading the session.	Ensure that the safeguarding policy is followed and regularly reviewed. Ensure data protection guidelines are followed and data is kept securely. Maintain an up-to-date register and consent from players / guardians. Maintain an up-to-date register and consent from volunteers and coaches.	Directors	Ongoing with annual reviews	Cont

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Fire	Low	Players, volunteers, coaches, carers or group organisers.	Ensure coaches and volunteers know venue specific fire procedures.	Ensure venues risk assessment is up to date.	Directors and Lead coach	On use of new venue and when new coach or volunteer joins.	Cont & Annual

Last Reviewed:	By:	Comments:
31/03/2021	JS & DP	Risk Assessment for nonspecific venues.
14/04/2022	JS & DP	Covid issues reduced, but not removed due to vulnerable players
11/03/2024	JS & DP	Covid risk removed