

Rationale

Pickleball Canada is committed to ensuring a safe and positive environment within Pickleball Ontario's programs, activities, and events by advising individuals there is an expectation, always, of appropriate proactive behaviour and of potential consequences for violating the infectious disease response plan.

The Board of Pickleball Ontario is responsible for communicating this Infectious Disease Response Plan policy to those who are governed by this policy.

Policy Guidelines

1. Pickleball Ontario members will abide by all necessary prescribed precautions and restrictions while participating in Pickleball Canada programs, activities and events to ensure the health and safety of all players.
2. Individuals participating in Pickleball Ontario programs, activities and events are to familiarize themselves with and abide by the Infectious Disease Response Plan
3. This Infectious Disease Response Plan applies to all individuals participating in Pickleball Canada programs, activities and events.
4. **Individuals**
 - a) Individuals participating in Pickleball Canada programs, activities and events have a responsibility to:
 - i. Monitor not only their own personal health but also remain cognizant of those players around them and notify appropriate authorities if a person is suspected of violating a public health order.
 - ii. Tournament Directors, Club Directors and Committee Members shall monitor the situation by using local resources including the Public Health Agency of Canada and their local Provincial and Municipal agencies: https://www.ontario.ca/page/how-ontario-is-responding-covid-19?_ga=2.113640775.1944127475.1590506021-1473903169.1590506021 and notify members as required.
 - b) Individuals will confirm they are updated and aware of any infectious disease concerns and feel safe while participating in Pickleball Ontario activities, programs and events.

5. Pickleball Ontario Board of Directors and Committee Members

- a) In addition to the individual responsibilities described in section 4 of this policy, Pickleball Ontario’s Board of Directors (the “Board”), and Committee Members will have additional responsibilities to:
- i. Notify its members of the risks, preventative measures and provide current and accurate resources for members to access including the risk informed decision making (Table 1); <https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/2019-novel-coronavirus-infection/health-professionals/mass-gatherings-risk-assesment.html>
 - ii. Act with speed and efficiency and conduct themselves in a manner consistent with the guidance from Provincial regulators and governing agencies;
 - iii. Ensure that Pickleball Ontario’s events, tournaments, meetings and activities are conducted in a responsible and transparent manner with due regard for all **IDRP** responsibilities;
 - iv. Conduct themselves openly, professionally, lawfully and in good faith in the best interests of Pickleball Ontario members health & well-being;
 - v. Take appropriate actions to respond to infractions of the Infectious Disease Response Plan as described in Pickleball Ontario’s Complaints and Dispute Resolution Policy (POA-008)

Administration

This policy shall be administered by the Pickleball Ontario President at any Pickleball Ontario related meeting.

Policy Revised _____

President _____

Date

Signature