

## Team Tennis Series

The LTA recognises that the AEGON Team Tennis Series events provide a unique experience for players to represent their County, School or Club in a team environment. In order to ensure all Team Tennis Series events continue to operate in the same way we have created some guidance, which contains matters for your awareness relating to the law and to offer protection against potential incidents that may occur when looking after players.

### Guidance for Captains

- An enhanced DBS and Barred List check is required when there is an overnight stay caring for players under the age of 18. Please ensure your DBS and Barred List check is less than 3 years old. For more information about a DBS and Barred List check, please contact [DBS@LTA.org.uk](mailto:DBS@LTA.org.uk).
- Players should take pride in their appearance and act in a professional manner when representing their County, School or Club, both on and off the court.
- Captains should remind all players to be on their best behaviour when away, to lead by example for juniors and play by the LTA Competition Regulations at all times.
- Captains should remind all players about the law in relation to sexual relationships;
- 16 is the age of consent and it is an offence to have a sexual relationship with anyone under 16, regardless of whether consent was given; and
- Any sexual relationship with someone under the age of 16 will be reported to the police and if prosecuted, you could end up with your name on the Sex Offenders Register and/or barred from working with children.
- Be responsible when consuming alcohol and do not allow anyone under 18 to consume alcohol.
- When organising teams, there should be a minimum of two adults, one of which should be of the same gender as the team.
- A completed **Consent and Emergency Contact Form** should be obtained for all players on a team.
- Captains must bring to the Tournament Director/Referees attention any players that do not grant permission to be included in any photography or filming.
- Junior players should not share a room with an adult (unless it is their parent) and should not enter rooms occupied by the opposite gender.
- Junior players should not be allowed out of their room after the agreed bed time, unless approval has been given by their Captain.
- Junior players should not have any illegal items or substances in their room or amongst their belongings.
- Junior players should be informed that their Captain is the first point of contact for any concerns when competing.

I have read the Team Tennis Series guidance and will ensure I inform my Team of the points contained herein.

<b>Captain Name</b>	
<b>Captain Signature</b>	
<b>Team Name</b>	
<b>Event</b>	
<b>Date</b>	

Please sign and return this form to your LTA Regional Office (for County Cup events) or the onsite Tournament Director (for Team Tennis and Team Tennis Schools events).

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