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## **2020 – 2021 Hinsdale Paddle Club Covid-19 Safety Recommendations**

All players are expected to comply with CDC Guidelines and the State and Local rules and restrictions set forth by the State of Illinois. Players must also comply with any local or club rules adopted by the host club where you are playing. As we all know by now, things are changing weekly and players must adhere to the current rules and regulations at the time of their matches.

### **GUIDELINES ADOPTED BY THE HPC FOR ALL PLAY AT KLM AND BURNS FIELD**

- **Masks:** Masks must be worn at all times in the paddle huts. Players are not required to wear masks on the courts. All players should always keep a mask in their paddle bag and comply with mask and social distancing regulations.
- **Hut use:** Players may enter the KLM hut only to use the restrooms, replenish their water supplies, procure needed medical supplies or the defibrillator, or to take shelter from lightning and heavy rain. Social distancing in the hut must be maintained at all times. As before, we are asking everyone to limit to an absolute minimum the amount of time spent in the hut.
- **Covid-19 Exposure:** If a player has flu like symptoms, someone in his household has flu like symptoms or has been with someone recently who tested positive for Covid-19, they should stay at home and not play until either the quarantine period of 14 days has passed or they have tested negative for Covid-19. A player who has tested positive for Covid-19 must have a negative test result before returning to the courts.
- **Reporting Covid-19 Positive Test results:** Both our HPC members and any guests playing at KLM or Burns have an obligation to notify a designated person if he or she tests positive for COVID within 14 days of having played at KLM (matches, drills, etc.). This notification should either go to Mary Doten for the women, Bill O'Brien or Rick Larsen for the men or any board member/team captain (who in turn would notify the HPC board).

If we receive any notification of a positive test result, the HPC members who were known to also be playing at KLM or Burns during the time and who could possibly have any exposure will be notified. Specific notification will be sent to anyone on the same court with the person testing positive (without stating the name of the individual). This should be the case whether it is a HPC player or a visiting player.

## **GUIDELINES FOR LEAGUE MATCH PLAY**

- 1. Hut use:** All players should comply with the rules of the home club with regard to the use of the hut. In many cases, this will mean that the hut is only available for bathroom use. Players should arrive ready to play and be willing to remain outside or in their car until their match begins. Players must comply with all club rules when they are on their grounds and/or in their hut.
- 2. Masks:** Neither the Women's North Shore League Board nor the Men's CPTC board are requiring at this time that players wear masks on the courts. However, players must comply with any local or club rules and should be aware that state rules may change.
- 3. Balls:** The home team will, as in the past, provide only balls for match play. If players prefer to have their own ball, they are welcome to provide that ball and mark it as they choose. All players on the court should respect the choice to have a personal ball and only the person who marked that ball should make contact with it.
- 4. Match play format change:** For both men and women, matches will consist of two regular sets. If the teams split sets and does not have the time to complete a third set in the allotted time, then the third set will be a 10 point tie break. This change is made in order to limit the amount of time that players starting in the second time slot have to wait to play.
- 5. Food and Drink:** For both men and women's matches played at KLM or Burns, food and drinks will not be provided and is not allowed in the paddle hut. Players should bring their own snacks and water to matches.

**Match Play Info Specific to Women's League Play:** The first match for the Women's Paddle League (both North Shore and Southwest) will be **October 8, 2020**. For all NSWPTL matches (home or away), no food or drink will be served.

**Match Play Info Specific to Men's League Play:** Men's Paddle League will have their first matches on **September 22 - 24**. To start the season, there will be no food or drinks provided by HPC teams for Men's Match Play. Players should bring their own snacks and water to matches. The Men's CPTC guidelines do not prohibit private clubs from making their own decision on whether to serve food and drink on their premises.

Thank you in advance for your help in adhering to the APTA, CPTC and HPC guidelines along with the State and Local guidelines during this Pandemic.