

Differences between Personal "Bubble" and Pickleball Playing Partner "Trusted Circle"

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These guidelines are to be posted and used during Public and Club times at all City of Delta facilities. They apply to drop-in players, as well as those booking times using Play Time Scheduler and Sign Up Genius.

Partner players from one "Trusted Circle" can play against players from other "Trusted Circles". You may not belong to more than one "Trusted Circle".

Tracking of total members in a "Trusted Circle" and ensuring they only partner with each other is the responsibility of the individuals, not the DPA executive. It is suggested each "Trusted Circle" have a 'captain' to ensure contact tracing, vital information, and updates can be quickly circulated. You can register your "Trusted Circle" by following this [link to the PDA Survey](#).

A Personal "Bubble" is what Dr. Henry often refers to as an expanded family group:

- close family
- close friends
- not more than 6 people beyond your household
- people you completely trust,
- belong to no other 'Bubbles'
- people you are comfortable to spend extended hours indoors with
- able to hug.

A Pickleball Playing Partner "Trusted Circle" - should be made up of people who:

- you know and trust
- take COVID-19 protocols seriously
- practise standard COVID-19 precautions between games - washing/sanitizing hands, balls, & paddles
- do not shake hands or tap paddles
- minimize non-playing time at the courts and around other players.
- never come to play unless they are completely healthy, without any COVID-19 symptoms, not been out of the Province, and not been in contact with someone under quarantine.
- are not members of other Pickleball "Trusted Circles"

To join a 'Trusted Circle' you should consider:

- your personal situation and risk tolerance level
- ensuring all contact is outdoors and, as much as possible, no closer than 2m
- your age and personal health
- if someone else in your Personal "Bubble" has compromised health issues making them prone to serious consequences should they contact COVID-19
- the total number of people in your Personal "Bubble"
- if anyone else in your Personal "Bubble" belong to another "Trusted Circle"
- the number of people in your "Trusted Circle" should generally be limited to 6 people outside of your household, but may be a maximum of 10, depending on your unique situation and number of 'other' contacts you have in your "Personal Bubble". Before exceeding 6, we recommend a group discussion, carefully assessing the individual member's personal situations, and risk factors. For further information, refer to this [linked CDC document](#).