

**TRANSPORT OF JUNIORS TO TENNIS MATCHES:  
CHILD SAFETY SUB COMMITTEE DISCUSSION PAPER  
REVISED 14/8/2017**

As requested at the July General Committee meeting, the following process to manage transport of children was revised at the sub committee meeting 14/8/17.

Endorsed by the General Committee at the August GCFI Meeting

***a) transport to and from weekend competition matches***

Parents ( or guardians or closely related family member) of Juniors in a team are the only people allowed by the club to take children to other clubs for matches and return them back to the club or home. No other person may transport Juniors to and from matches.

Parents of each team are to arrange a roster amongst themselves and agree on the shared transport mode. The Team Manager will co-ordinate this activity. Any parent not comfortable with these arrangements must take and return their own child to each 'away' match.

If an emergency player is required, the Junior Organiser will arrange this and notify both the Team Manager and the emergency's parent/ guardian. It is the responsibility of the emergency player's parent guardian to agree with the Team Manager on the transport arrangements , if they are not doing so themselves.

All persons driving children to and from matches must have a valid drivers license, registered vehicle and appropriate insurance.

This information should be documented and a copy given to all parents/ guardians of Juniors participating in competition play at the start of each season.

***b) transport from coaching or social play.***

Transport arrangements to and from the Club are to be made by the parent or guardian. Where a child is at the Club and transport arrangements for the child to return home have needed to be changed, any change of arrangements must be approved by the parent or guardian and documented by SMS to the alternative driver. For safety of children, NBTC recommends that any person assisting in this capacity should have a current "Working with Children" check.

If the Junior Organiser or a NBTC committee member is present, they should also be informed of the changes arrangements.

All people transporting children by car must have a valid drivers licence, adequate car insurance and act responsibly.

This information should be given to parents/ guardians of all Junior members and children receiving coaching lessons.