

# Our Sun Protection Policy

The Excel Tennis Academy is Sun Protection Accredited to the Outdoor Kids Sun Safety Code and will ensure that the following actions are applied to our outdoor sessions from March – October:

Skin cancer is the world's most common cancer, mainly affecting those who spend lots of time outdoors without sun protection. With just one blistering sunburn in childhood doubling the risk of melanoma (the most dangerous form of skin cancer) we aim to do all we can to keep everyone protected.

Between March to October, we all need to be aware of the risks of UV light. Please work with us to ensure all children attending sessions understand the importance of sun protection and support us in carrying out the following actions:

We pledge to:

**PREPARE:** Communicate with parents to ensure that everyone arrives ready for a day in the sun, (whatever the weather in the morning).

**PROTECT:** Recommend hats and sunglasses (where possible) and ensure sunscreen (SPF30+) reapplied at breaks.

**SHADE:** Avoid direct sunlight, and seek shade during lunch breaks or whilst spectating others.

**HYDRATE:** Ensure water is always available and sipped throughout the day.

**LEAD BY EXAMPLE:** Act as a role model regarding sun protection, and inspire children to follow suit.

For further information regarding sun protection for children in sport, please visit the Outdoor Kids Sun Safety Code at [www.melanoma-fund.co.uk](http://www.melanoma-fund.co.uk)

