# Net zero commitment

National Tennis Association

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OUR TARGET

## 2045

National Tennis Association commits to reaching net zero greenhouse gas emissions across its operations by 2045, covering Scopes 1 and 2 and the Scope 3 categories set out below.

**Interim milestone:** halve our Scope 1 and 2 emissions by 2035, against our 2026 baseline. We will confirm this milestone, and restate it if the evidence requires, once the baseline is published in 2027.

We have chosen 2045 rather than the UK's statutory 2050 target because many of the local authorities we work with have set targets ahead of 2050, and because the outdoor public spaces our sport depends on are directly affected by a changing climate.

### What net zero means for us

Net zero means cutting our emissions as far as we can, and only balancing what is genuinely left with verified carbon removals. We will always prioritise real reductions. We will not describe NTA as carbon neutral or net zero on the strength of offsets, and we will say openly if and how we use them.

### Scope

We will measure and report our emissions using the Greenhouse Gas Protocol:

- **Scope 1:** fuel we burn directly, such as heating at buildings we operate, any company vehicles, and refrigerant losses from cooling and catering equipment we control
- **Scope 2:** electricity, heating and cooling we buy for our offices, and for buildings and floodlights where we pay the energy bill, reported on a location basis
- **Scope 3 (selected):** business travel, staff and coach commuting, waste from our operations, and transport and distribution in our supply chain, which are the categories the government's Carbon Reduction Plan format asks for, plus the equipment we buy, such as balls, nets and rackets

Most of the courts we operate sit within public parks where energy supply and capital infrastructure are controlled by the local authority. Where the authority holds the energy supply, we report what we can as Scope 3 emissions from leased assets, and work with the authority to reduce consumption rather than claiming control we do not have.

## Baseline and measurement

We have not yet established a formal emissions baseline. Our baseline year will be 2026, and we will measure it and publish it by 30 June 2027.

From then on we will report progress every year, and publish a Carbon Reduction Plan in the government's standard format so partners can assess it alongside tenders. That plan will set out our baseline year emissions, our current emissions, the method used (the Greenhouse Gas Protocol and the government's current conversion factors), the projects we are relying on to cut emissions, and the environmental management measures already in place.

We would rather publish a measured position later than an estimated one now.

## What we are doing

### FLOODLIGHTING

Specifying LED in new installations and replacements where we are responsible, pressing landlords to do the same where they are, and advising partner authorities on light angling and reduced output to limit spillage and consumption.

### EQUIPMENT

Extending the life of rackets, nets and balls through repair and reuse, and donating used tennis balls to schools, community groups and animal charities rather than sending them to landfill.

### TRAVEL

Our programmes are deliberately local, so most participants can walk, cycle or make a short trip to their nearest park. We promote walking, cycling and public transport to venues, and support the provision of cycle parking at sites.

### PROCUREMENT

Appointing local contractors and suppliers wherever practical, reducing supply chain travel and keeping spend in the communities we serve.

### OPERATIONS

Digital booking, payment and communication, keeping paper out of our administration wherever possible. Energy-efficient equipment in our offices, and the reduction, reuse and recycling of workplace waste.

## Governance

This commitment is approved by the directors of National Tennis Association and sits alongside our Environmental sustainability policy. The directors are accountable for delivery, the management team is responsible day to day, and head coaches apply it at venue level.

## Document control

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