



Tennis Byelaws – (March 2024)

1. Responsibility

All players, members and visitors play at their own risk. It is each players responsibility to assess whether it is safe to go on court and to take care on and around the grounds (for example, in inclement or icy conditions).

2. Club Sessions

- Organised Club Sessions are held on the following days:

Mixed	Wednesdays	5 pm – 8 pm
	Saturdays	2 pm – 5 pm
	Bank Holidays	2 pm – 5 pm
Ladies	Tuesdays	9 am – 11 am
Mens	Mondays	5 pm – 8 pm
Rusty Racquets	Saturdays & Wednesdays	12 noon – 2 pm

- Please use the Tennis Rota Board to ensure fair rotation of members, and when practical games should be organised as a mixed pair doubles.
- Team Training Sessions: 1st, 2nd and final Tuesday of the month, year-round (weather permitting), excluding August. A full schedule of which teams and when is available from the Head Coach.
- Club tennis balls are provided for Club sessions and tournaments on a complementary basis by the Club.
- Flood lights are provided on a complimentary basis by the Club.

3. Courts The following have precedence concerning choice and use of courts:

- The Club's Open LTA Tournaments.
- Tournaments, junior events and parties as listed in the Events Diary.
- Members of Club teams and visiting teams taking part in official matches.
- Club Sessions on designated days as above.
- Coaching has priority on Court 7 and Court 6 at pre-arranged times and court 4 in place of court 6 in the winter evenings.

4. Booking and Use of Courts

- Play may be booked via the ClubSpark system.
- Doubles and Singles may be booked for a period no longer than one and a half hours. Members using the ball machine or Rebo Wall for a period of no more than one hour. Please remember to pay for the ball machine via the Visitors Box.
- Members should not book courts 'back to back' under the same name.
- When at the end of an allotted time, a court has not been further reserved, players already on that court may continue play until the court is required and booked by other members, at which time the court shall be vacated.
- Visitors; members may introduce visitors to attend 4 times over a 12-month period to the club to play tennis, Visitors must be accompanied by and signed in by a member. The appropriate fee to be paid and posted in the Visitors Fees box by the front door.
- The Head Coach or any Club or Tennis Sub-Committee member shall have the authority to prohibit play on any court if in his/her opinion, the court is not in a fit condition.

5. Coaching

- Coaching can only be carried out on the Club's courts by the Club's appointed coaches or with their agreement.
- Any group coaching involving the use of more than one court must have the prior sanction of the tennis sub-committee.

6. Juniors

- Mini Coaching Sessions for 4- to 16-year-olds are held on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons and Saturday mornings, full details are on the Clubs website.
- Members aged 15 and over can book a court for a period no longer than one and a half hours or the Rebo Wall for a period of no more than one hour
- Members under 15 can have a court booked for them by their parent/carer as long as that person is also a tennis member.
- Members aged 13 and over can use the ball machine after an instruction session with a coach or member of the Tennis sub-committee. Please remember to pay for the ball machine via the Visitors Box.
- Unaccompanied access to the club outside of coaching and events is for those aged 13 and over.
- Juniors may have a guest to play but he/she must be signed in and paid for and may not attend for more than four occasions during a twelve-month period. (The exceptions are juniors attending club coaching sessions, when they can attend indefinitely and a different fee applies).
- Those considered by the Head Coach or Tennis sub-committee to be of an intermediate standard may participate in Adult Club Sessions and Tournaments.
- Juniors aged 13-18 are not required to have their own fob but may have one at their parent/guardian discretion, and if their parent/guardian is also a member then they may share a fob at their discretion.