

ROSRC Tennis Court Rules & Regulations

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Tennis Court Hours

1. Play may commence on all courts from 7:00 AM to 11:00 PM 365 days a year.
2. Excessive noise after dark may force play to be terminated on or before 10:00 PM.
3. Further action may be taken by the tennis committee in the event of a complaint.

General Court Rules

1. Courts #1, 2, 3 & 4 will be played on a reserve basis.
2. Reserved courts:
 - A. Adult members (18 years and older) can reserve a court at any time. Only adults can reserve the courts on Saturday, Sunday and holidays.
 - B. Youth members (14 to 17 years of age) can reserve a court anytime except Saturday, Sunday or holidays.
 - C. Youth members (8 to 13 years of age) can reserve a court anytime until 7:00 PM on weekdays (excluding holidays).
3. No one under 10 years of age will be permitted to play tennis at any time unless supervised by an adult.
4. No one under 8 years of age will be permitted to reserve a court.
5. Courts may be closed to regular play for team practices, team matches and official club tournaments. Notice of dates and times will be given to the tennis chair prior to the event(s).
6. Regulation tennis shoes are required to play on the tennis courts. No food, glassware, glass containers or furniture will be allowed inside the tennis courts. Only tennis players and tennis related equipment are allowed on the courts. All trash will be placed in the containers provided and should be emptied into the larger trash containers outside the courts after a player has finished playing.
7. All players must conduct themselves in a sportsmanlike manner. Loud, quarrelsome conduct or profanity is **NOT** allowed.
8. Tennis courts will be closed during workday activities.

Guests

1. Guests will be charged a fee of \$2.00 per guest.
2. A member must be part of a guest match.
3. When a team schedules a practice match with an outside team, guest fees are to be paid for non-members.
4. If a guest is playing, the guest(s) must be logged in the '# Guest (non-member)' section of the online reservation in YourCourts. Members' accounts are checked by the tennis chair or a YourCourts administrator on a monthly basis and the member is billed accordingly for guest fees.
5. Members shall be held responsible for guest fees for all players registered as guests. Guest fees are paid to the club treasurer. Excessive use of the privileges could cause a restriction of guest privileges. Please be prudent.

Reserved Courts

1. Courts may be reserved 24 hours a day 7 days a week from 7:00 AM to 11:00 PM online through YourCourts.com.
2. With the exception of team captains for team play, reservations are made on a first come basis up to 3 days in advance, sign-up 9:00 pm or later. (Example: sign-up for Thursday court time starts at 9:00pm on Monday.)
3. Members who cannot use the court during their reserved time should make every effort to cancel the reservation as soon as possible.
4. Players not arriving within ten (10) minutes after a reservation starts will cause a forfeiture of the reservation.
5. Any unreserved court or forfeited reservation will become a free play period under the rules of free play until the next reservation start time begins. For the purpose of the paragraphs 3 and 4 above, the forfeited reservation is not considered a reserved court during its free play period and any member may play on the court regardless of their other reservations.

Free Play

1. Members and their guests may begin free play eleven (11) minutes after a reserved period starts given that the player that made the initial reservation is not in the tennis area and the court is available and unoccupied.
2. Free play is on a first come basis. Player(s) must be in the tennis court area (not playing) to be considered waiting for the court for free play.
3. Free play is limited to the forfeited reservation time period only.
4. By the end of the forfeited reservation, players must relinquish the court to players waiting to play the next standing reservation.

Tennis Leagues

1. It is not the purpose of the tennis committee to set up teams.
2. Any club member may play on any team for which he/she is eligible, except that being included on a roster may be denied if such inclusion will raise the level of the team unreasonably.
3. Rosters and schedules must be forwarded to the tennis chair at the same time it is turned in to ALTA or USTA.
4. Captains of ALTA and USTA teams are members of the tennis committee. If a captain (including team mothers and/or fathers) cannot make a committee meeting, they will send someone in their place.
5. ROSRC will provide courts as necessary for out matches. If the team playing out chooses to not utilize the provided courts, that team will be responsible for any additional court charges.
6. Before a new team is formed, approval must be obtained from the tennis chair.
7. There will be no team coaching or practice matches on weekends.
8. Team coaching and/or standing practice times may be reserved by the team captains prior to the start of the new season for the entire season.
9. Assignment of court times for coaching and/or practice will be on a rotational basis. Teams are permitted to voluntarily trade practice times. The tennis chair maintains the rotation from season to season.
10. No coaching on adjoining courts will be permitted during a regularly scheduled ALTA or USTA match.

11. Duties and responsibilities of team captains include but are not limited to:
 - A. Reserving standing coaching and/or practice times in YourCourts.com.
 - B. Reserving team match times in YourCourts.com.
 - C. Unlocking and locking restrooms for regularly scheduled practices and matches.
 - D. Cleaning up the courts and the pavilions after practices and matches, including but not limited to, emptying court trash cans into larger trash cans and taking full trash cans and recycling bins to the pickup area.
 - E. Assuring team rosters include as many club members as possible.
 - F. Collecting appropriate fees from out of club players.
 - G. Collecting appropriate guest fees for practice matches.
 - H. Providing tennis chair with copies of rosters and schedules in a timely manner.
 - I. Advising the tennis chair of any team changes, such as a new captain, a new level of play, disbanding of a team or the formation of a new team.
 - J. Controlling the court conduct of team members during matches.

Non-Member League Tennis Play

1. Non-members may be allowed to play on a ROSRC sanctioned ALTA or USTA tennis team on an as needed basis which will be evaluated on a season-by-season basis. Before each season, a club search of the membership base (e.g. posting on the Community wall of YourCourts.com, e-mails to members, word of mouth, etc.) for willing team members prior to the season must be undertaken. If an adequate number of member players are not found, the team captain will discuss the situation with the board who may allow non-members to fill the roster in order for a team to be fielded. A full roster is considered 20 players for men's/women's and 24 players for mixed teams.
2. Captains are strongly encouraged to hold a team meeting at the beginning of each season.
3. All roster members must be notified prior to the season that a non-member has been nominated and invited to play on the team. A team vote will be taken and the majority decides whether to allow each non-member to play.
4. Each non-member who is allowed to play on a club team is charged \$50 per season to participate, in addition to any coaching fees and league dues or fees, which must be paid and remitted to the treasurer prior to the team's first match. Captains are responsible for collecting non-member fees and ensuring team players comply with the tennis rules. The tennis chair will monitor teams to ensure compliance.
5. Board approved non-members will be allowed to play on a club team for a maximum of two consecutive years from the initial date of play regardless of the number of teams, seasons or matches played.
6. Two years after the initial date of play, non-members will be barred from play for two years.
7. Previous club members will be barred from playing as a non-member for a period of two years from the time their membership is sold or reverts back to the club.
8. Non-members may play in flexible leagues with these conditions:
 - A. If playing doubles, non-members must have a current member as a partner.
 - B. Non-members must pay \$50 per season. Payment must be remitted before the first match.
9. Non-members who play on a club team are limited in their use of the tennis area to official team practices and during the specific season in which the team is competing and during sanctioned league matches.

Make-Up Matches

1. In the event inclement weather cancels scheduled ALTA or USTA matches, considerations and fairness must be exercised by all.
2. When scheduling make-up matches, every effort should be made to adhere to the following priority in making reservations:
 - A. An unreserved court
 - B. Your own team's practice time
 - C. Bump recreational players from court #3
 - D. Bump recreational players from court #1 and #2
 - E. Bump a team practice from courts #1 or #2.
3. Any bumped player must be notified immediately.
4. "Make-up match" must be noted in the Notes section of the on-line reservation.
5. ALTA or USTA matches played early are not make-up matches, so bumping is not permitted.
6. An uncompleted make-up match cannot force the delay of the start of a regular or make-up match already reserved on that court.
7. Court time for make-up matches may be reserved more than the normal three days in advance.

These rules and regulations may be revised or added to at any time by the tennis committee. Any additions or changes must be approved by the Board of Directors.