# RIVER OAK <br> SWIM \& RACQUET CLUB 

## Tennis Court Rules \& Regulations (Revised February 2024)

## COURT HOURS

1.) Play may commence on all courts from 7:00 AM to 11:00 PM, 365 days a year as long as the condition of the court(s) is favorable and does not put someone at risk for injury (not wet, icy, full of debris, etc).
2.) Excessive noise after dark may result in termination of play.
3.) The tennis committee may take further action in the event of a complaint.

## GENERAL COURT RULES

1.) Only tennis/pickleball players and related equipment are allowed on the courts. Regulation tennis shoes must be worn and are the only type of shoes allowed on courts.
2.) All courts are on a reservation basis (see "Reserved Courts" section for details)
3.) Courts $3 \& 4$ are marked for both pickleball and tennis. No pickleball play is allowed on courts $1 \& 2$ or next to a tennis league match - with the exception of flex matches where the pickleball reservation was made before the flex match was.
4.) Courts may be closed to regular play for team practices, team matches, and official club tournaments. The tennis chair will be notified of dates and times before the event(s).
5.) No glassware, glass containers or furniture is allowed inside the tennis courts.
6.) All trash must be placed in the containers provided and should be emptied into larger containers outside the courts after play.
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.
9.) Propping open the restroom doors is strictly prohibited during pool season. During pool season, tennis members/guests must access bathrooms by entering through pool gate.

## GUESTS

1.) Members will be charged $\$ 5.00$ per guest per day for play outside of a regulation team or flex match.
2.) A professional coach conducting a paid coaching session for an individual or team is exempt.
3.) If a guest is playing, the guest(s) must be logged in to the Additional People (Non Users) section of the online reservation in YourCourts.

Additional People (Non Users)
Add other people who don't have an account
Type the name...
Type the name of the person and press Enter
4.) Guest fees can be placed in the ROSRC mailbox, given to any team captain/tennis chair.
5.) Any member found to be hosting a guest without paying the fee(s) is subject to losing their tennis privileges.

## RESERVED COURTS

1.) Members 18 years and older can reserve a court anytime. Youth members age 15-17 can reserve a court anytime except Saturday, Sunday, \& holidays. No one under 15 is allowed to reserve a court or play at any time unless an adult is actively supervising.
2.) Courts may be reserved online through YourCourts.com from 7:00 AM to 11:00 PM
3.) With the exception of captains for team play, reservations are made on a first-come basis up to 10 days in advance.
4.) Members who cannot use the court during their reserved time should cancel their reservation as soon as possible. Repeated no-show for uncanceled reservations may result in loss of reservation privileges.
5.) Players not arriving within fifteen minutes of their reservation starting time will result in forfeiture of the reservation.
6.) Any unreserved court or forfeited reservation falls under the rules of free play until the next reservation start time begins.

## FREE PLAY

1.) 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.
2.) Members and their guests may begin free play sixteen 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. Player(s) must relinquish the court to players waiting to play the next standing reservation at the end of the forfeited reservation.

## TENNIS LEAGUES

1.) It is not the purpose of the tennis chair or committee to set up teams.
2.) Any club member may play on any team for which they are eligible with two exceptions:
a. Request may be denied if inclusion will raise the team level
b. Inclusion may be classified as "Alternate Only" if the team has a full roster
3.) Rosters and schedules must be forwarded to the tennis chair prior to season start.
4.) Captains of ALTA/USTA teams are tennis committee members. If a captain cannot make a committee meeting, they will send someone in their place.
5.) Before a new team is formed, approval must be obtained from the tennis chair.
6.) Team captains may reserve team coaching/practice times before the start of the new season for the entire season, but no team coaching is allowed on weekends.
7.) No coaching on adjoining courts will be permitted during a regularly scheduled ALTA/USTA match.
8.) Duties and responsibilities of team captains include but are not limited to:
a. Holding pre-season team meetings.
b. Reserving standing coaching and practice times in YourCourts.com.
c. Reserving team match times in YourCourts.com.
d. Having a key for restroom access.
e. 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 placing full trash bags in the dumpster.
f. Assuring team rosters include as many club members as possible.
g. Collecting appropriate fees from non-member players.
h. Providing tennis chair with copies of rosters and schedules promptly.
i. Advising the tennis chair of any team changes, such as a new captain, a new level of play, disbanding of a team, or forming 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, USTA, or Flex tennis team on an as-needed basis which will be seasonally.
2.) Before a team adds non-members, they must first solicit club membership via inclusion in the next newsletter, posting on the community wall, and email via yourcourts to give members priority.
3.) If an adequate number of members are not available, the team captain can make a request to the board to add a non-member(s) to their roster in order to field a team. A full roster is considered 20 players for men's/women's and 24 players for mixed teams.
4.) Non-members are only allowed to participate in team practices and matches or flex doubles leagues when playing with a member partner. Non-members are not allowed to reserve courts or engage in general play unless they are playing with a member and pay the required guest fee(s). Flex league non-member participation must be approved by the tennis chair each season.
5.) Each non-member who is allowed to play must pay $\$ 25$ per season to participate- in addition to any coaching fees and league dues or fees. For ALTA/USTA team that is Spring, Summer, Fall, and Winter. For flex teams, it is every time a new flex league begins. This fee must be paid and remitted to the treasurer by the first match. Captains and flex team partners are responsible for collecting the non-member fee(s) and ensuring they comply with the tennis rules. The tennis chair will monitor teams to ensure compliance.
6.) Any member who relinquishes their membership can play on a team only if:
a. They have moved at least 20 miles away, their participation is needed to maintain a roster size adequate to prevent forfeitures, and they are pre-approved by the tennis chair.
b. A span of one year has occurred since the time that their membership ended.
c. They pay non-member fees.

## MAKE UP MATCHES

1.) All must exercise consideration and fairness if inclement weather results in having to reschedule a cancelled ALTA or USTA match.

1. When scheduling make--up matches, every effort should be made to adhere to the following priority in scheduling:
A. An unreserved court
B. Your own team's reserved practice time
C. Bump recreational players from court \#4 (then 3 , then 2 , then 1 )
D. Bump a team practice from court \#4 (then 3, then 2, then 1). Teams that have paid coaching may not be bumped for a make-up match.
2.) Any bumped player must be notified immediately.
3.) "Make-up match" must be noted in the Notes section of the online reservation.
2. Bumping is not permitted for early match play with ALTA or USTA as these are not makeup matches.
3. An unfinished make-up match in progress cannot force the delay of another match or team coaching that was already scheduled on that court. Make-up matches should be scheduled enough in advance ( 4 hours is recommended) to ensure play is completed before the start of a previously reserved match.

The tennis committee may make additions and revisions to these rules and regulations at any time with board approval.

