



TENNIS COURT ETIQUETTE

- Remember you must wear white tennis attire when on court (Tracksuits can be worn over whites from October to April)
- Do **NOT** walk onto another court during a game. Wait for the players to finish the game, or at least the point, before walking onto or behind their court.
- **NEVER** walk behind a court when play is in progress. Wait until there is a break in play before entering the court
- Do **NOT** abuse the tennis net or fence nets by hitting them with your racquet or leaning on them
- Do not retrieve your ball from the other court. Return tennis balls promptly which stray on to your court.
- Always acknowledge the return of a tennis ball by a player on nearby courts. If your ball rolls onto an adjacent court, wait for them to finish the game or point, and kindly ask for “a little help” to get their attention. Under no circumstances should you run over onto their court in the middle of a game to retrieve the ball yourself.
- You are entitled to use the mini and midi courts – but be mindful of players on Courts 1 and 2
- Do not open a gate behind a court where play is in progress.
- Always close the gate on a court after you leave the court area.
- Do not shout out during play as it can disturb those on nearby courts.
- Spectators should not interfere in matches.
- Players should not pass comments regarding players on a nearby court or to a spectator off-court.
- Always acknowledge an opponent’s good shot.
- Always shake hands with your opponent at the end of a match.
- Encourage your partner in doubles.
- Always offer to play two if there is a disagreement over a line call.
- When your game is finished vacate the court quickly if there are others waiting to play.
- Pick up after yourself. Don’t leave empty tennis ball cans, glasses, plastic beakers or old tennis balls out on the court when you leave.
- Have fun!