



## COURT ETIQUETTE

For your safety and enjoyment please,

1. Access your booked court via the most appropriate gate to avoid disturbing another member's play. Please remember to close the gate once on the court and on leaving the court.
2. If you have booked a court on-line and no longer wish to play, please ensure that you cancel your booking so that another member may book that court. Prior to playing on a booked court please confirm your booking at the clubhouse terminal unless it is not in operation.
3. Whenever possible do not walk behind or along a court during an active point (both outside and inside the netting). Pass as quickly as possible after a point has finished.
4. Do not disturb people on your booked court until their time is up. Please be courteous and if possible, allow them to finish the game in progress.
5. Return balls from another court by rolling them safely to the back of the relevant court once the point is finished.
6. Do not retrieve a ball from another court during play.
7. Respect those around you: shouting, swearing, screaming and verbal abuse will not be tolerated.
8. Please allow time at the end of your allocated court booking period to drag and brush lines on the clay courts (instructions on noticeboard) after use and return the brushes to the hooks at the back of the court. Equipment left lying on the court is liable to be damaged. Do not drag if the court is waterlogged, frosty or frozen.
9. Grass courts should not be played upon when wet, damp, or dewy as they are unsafe and cause damage to the court surface.
10. Do not play on the courts if they are frosty or frozen. Not only can this damage the court, but you can seriously injure yourself.
11. Ensure that all balls, litter, and kit are removed from your court at the end of your session. It is intended that a recycling facility will be made available to collect used balls by the clubhouse. Please make use of this but note that not all used balls will be suitable for recycling so please follow the guidance provided when using the facility.
12. Please wear appropriate tennis clothing and shoes. Acceptable footwear includes non-marking tennis shoes or comfortable trainers preferably with a herringbone patterned sole. For members playing competitive tennis or Club matches it is recommended that tennis shoes are worn, but please refer to the LTA website for further details by clicking on this [link](#)

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13. Ensure that junior members are treated with the same respect as adults.
14. Be mindful of matches in progress on neighbouring courts.
15. Read and follow the LTA code of conduct (see [LTA website](#)).
16. Do not participate in any behaviour that would risk injury to anyone else, such as throwing or hitting balls inappropriately, throwing your racket or any other object on or off the court.
17. Do not allow mobile phone use to cause a nuisance to other members. Talk quietly near tennis courts that are in use.
18. Do not chew gum, smoke, vape or take glass on court. We are encouraging a smoke-free environment on the club premises so please be considerate of those around you.
19. Do not use/bring skateboards, bikes, scooters etc. on court or onto the grass.
20. Always keep young children under control and within sight. Please do not allow them onto the courts unless they are playing with an adult or taking part in a lesson. Please also do not allow them to use the grass courts as a play area even when they are not laid out for use as courts.
21. Please do not allow children to disrupt on-court play.
22. Dogs are not allowed on any courts at any time and must be always kept on a lead. Please ensure that they do not disrupt play.