



GXDW Tennis Club

Court Usage and Player Eligibility Rules

- Only members of the GXDW tennis club who have paid the appropriate subscription for the current year are eligible to use these courts. Non-member parents of member children are not eligible to use the courts.
- Outside the periods of organised play (shown on the notice board and on the club website) members shall be free to arrange their own games.
- When all courts are in use and four or more members are waiting to play:
 - doubles play rather than singles play must be adopted,
 - those on court should play one short set (first to 6 games, sudden death on 2nd deuce) and then voluntarily vacate the court to wait for another available court,
 - a court being used for practice or non-club coach tuition must be relinquished to members waiting to play,
 - club matches, club tuition and club events on designated courts take precedence over regular play,
 - once a tournament match has been started this may continue uninterrupted to its conclusion.
- The club coaches have court 5 at their disposal. If not being used, this and court 6 should be used for junior matches. If all courts are busy and there are both senior and junior members wishing to play, seniors should use courts 1-4 and juniors courts 5&6 (if not being used for coaching).
- Tennis shoes, or shoes designed for court games, are the only permitted footwear on these courts. They must have a membership tag for the current year fitted, and the soles must be non-marking. Please stay off the court surface in heeled/spiked shoes or crocs/flip flops.
- Generally acceptable tennis-wear is to be worn on court at all times. This does not include denim or 'leisurewear' not designed for playing sport.
- Guests may only use the courts if prior arrangement has been made through a committee member and then only with an existing member of the same or lower category (ie. not adult with junior). The member is then responsible for paying the fee, either online, to the club treasurer, or via a committee member - adult £5 / junior £3.
- Guests can only use the courts if they are hosted by a Full Adult Member.. An Adult member can host up to 10 guest visits a year. An individual guest can play a maximum of 3 times (no matter who is hosting them) before they need to join as a member. The host must be a Full Adult member and be on court with their guest. The guest fee is £10 per visit and needs to be paid before the guest plays (paid to Dukes Wood Tennis, sort code 600834, account no 81576331). The hosting member also needs to email Anita Bansi, our Membership Secretary (dwltc.membershipsec@gmail.com), giving the name and date of the guest/s who played and confirming that the appropriate fee has been paid. At peak times our courts are heavily used and our priority is to ensure that they remain available for use by our members. Therefore members playing with guests will need to vacate the court if other members are waiting to play.
- These rules will be enforced by the club coaches, by club committee members, and by existing members.
- Any player failing to follow these rules or responding inappropriately to being challenged, may not be allowed to play further and could have their existing membership revoked.

Compliance with the rules of the LTA and the Association

- In consideration for being able to use these facilities, all persons using the facilities agree:
 - to be bound by and subject to the rules of the Association (as in force from time to time); and
 - to be bound by and subject to the rules and disciplinary code of the LTA (or such successor entity or entities as become(s) the governing body of the game of lawn tennis from time to time) as in force from time to time.
- All persons using these facilities acknowledge that the above is intended to be enforceable by the LTA and/or Association directly or by virtue of the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999.