



TENNIS ETIQUETTE

- Be positive and offer encouragement to your partner or opponent rather than criticise them.
- Ensure that you have a good understanding of the rules and scoring.
- **Offensive or abusive behaviour and swearing is not acceptable and could result in expulsion from the club.**
- Please help to maintain the tidiness of the courts by not leaving rubbish such as plastic bottles and aluminium tennis can lids around.
- Remember to sweep the clay courts after use.
- Play your part in ensuring that at the end of the sessions everyone has the feeling that they have had an enjoyable time and are looking forward to the next session.

To ensure that we all have an enjoyable game please:

- Talk quietly if you are near tennis courts that are in use.
- **Wait until a point is completed before entering the courts and close the gate behind you.**
- Do not walk behind a court during an active point. Pass as quickly as possible after a point has finished.
- If waiting for a booked court, do not disturb people on your court until after their time is up.
- Wear appropriate tennis clothing. (no jeans)
- Wear proper tennis shoes with a non-marking sole.
- Before starting to play, ensure any equipment that you are not using (spare rackets, clothing, drinks, etc.) are out of the way.
- **Do not continue hitting once a ball is called out or strike a ball violently, put it safely out of the way as soon as possible.**
- Retrieve balls for your partner and your opponent to keep the game flowing.
- Call your own lines clearly and respect other line calls. Remember, a ball that is 99% out is 100% good.
- **You must have enough control to ensure that you do not hit another player with a hard shot or smash.**

Thank you,
Tennis Committee
