

# Tennis Etiquette

Guidelines to make your play and that of others more enjoyable.

The spirit of sportsmanship incorporates courtesy, respect, Thoughtfulness and discretion, and includes the following:

- Enter your court at the reservation time, court 1 from the lounge area, courts 2, 3 and 4 from behind the east curtain. Once players have begun warming up, please do not walk across the court to enter your court.
- No running or talking behind the curtain, please.
- When entering or leaving your court or the bleachers wait until there is a break in play.
- If you are watching a match, wait for a break in play before entering the bleacher area. When watching play in the bleachers, please do so quietly so as not to disturb play.
- Strive for quiet demeanor on the court, especially when play on adjacent courts is in progress. Loud and improper language is a no-no.
- When your ball rolls onto another court, wait until that play has stopped before asking for or retrieving the ball. Likewise, when a ball from another court rolls onto your court, wait until play has stopped before politely bouncing or rolling the ball to the player.
- When your court time ends, leave your court promptly if others are waiting.
- When using the ball machine, allow enough time to clear the court so that it is readily available for play for the next court time.
- Please do not lean on the net or hit balls against the walls or curtain.
- When you wish to use the mesh nets dividing the courts, ask the adjacent court players for their permission.
- If questions arise, please ask a staff member for clarification.

## Outdoor Court

- When using the outdoor court, wait until your reservation time to enter the court unless it is not being used prior to your assigned time. Enter quietly through the door adjacent to indoor court 3 or from the gate on the north end of the pool. After entering the court, quietly close the door/gate behind you. When you are finished playing, quietly close the door/gate as well.
- When using the singles/pickleball court, if the outdoor doubles court is in use, enter and exit only after there is a break in play.
- Barefoot playing is not permitted.

## Dress Code

Proper tennis attire is required at all times. Improper attire includes jeans and uncovered undergarments. Bare midriffs are not permitted indoors. Tennis shoes must have non-marking soles. Members are responsible for their guests' attire and parents are responsible for their juniors' attire. Staff may exercise judgment in enforcing the dress code.