

MOORE PARK TENNIS CLUB

CLUB RULES

Club rules assist in ensuring a welcoming and safe environment for members and their guests. They offer all players the opportunity for equitable playing time along with favourable and enjoyable playing conditions.

1) Court Booking Procedures

- (a) Every adult member has a name tag at the club that is used to reserve court time during Clubhouse hours.
- (b) A member must go to the club to reserve a court. (There is no telephone booking). A member may tag up a maximum of three other players on the same court.
- (c) Courts are booked for a 40 minute playing period. If members are not bumped by others, they may continue to play for as many playing periods as they choose. They must move their tags to the appropriate time on the tag board to secure the court.
- (d) A member who is involved in a club activity (e.g. a lesson or clinic, a team practice or match) may tag up only after the activity is over.
- (e) If there is a choice of courts available at the same time, members are asked to bump singles play before doubles play. This ensures maximum court usage by members.
- (f) A member who has reserved a court and is more than 10 minutes late going on, may forfeit the court. The Clubhouse clock is the official court time.
- (g) The Clubhouse Attendant will provide two new tennis balls per court at the beginning of play each day. These balls will be replaced after they have been used for three playing periods. At the end of a playing period, members are asked to hand the balls to the oncoming players or to return them to the Clubhouse.

2) Club and Clubhouse Hours

Moore Park is a not-for-profit community tennis club managed by volunteers. The Club pays an annual permit fee to the City of Toronto to operate the club on the courts during Club hours and to use the clubhouse seven days a week from April to October. The club pays for court resurfacing, nets, lights, tennis balls and Clubhouse Attendants. The Clubhouse is staffed, and tennis balls provided to members, during Clubhouse hours only.

Club hours: 8.00 a.m. to 11.00 p.m. Monday through Saturday & public holidays
 8.00 a.m. to 6.00 p.m. Sunday
(Members of the public may use the courts without charge from 6.00 p.m. to 10.00 p.m. on Sunday.)

Clubhouse hours: 5.00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Monday through Friday
 9:00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. Saturday and Sunday

3) Court Etiquette

- (a) The game of tennis depends on courtesy and fairness. Sportsmanlike, respectful and courteous behaviour is required at all times on the courts and in and around the clubhouse.
- (b) Always enter the courts by the gate closest to your court. This avoids disruption to other courts. Wait for a break in play before you enter or cross behind other courts.
- (c) For the safety of all players, wait until there is a break in play to request the return of a ball from another court or to return a ball to another court. Do not cross on to or behind another court to retrieve a ball. Do not return a ball while play is in progress on another court.
- (d) Remove any garbage, food, drinks, clothes, towels, cans or balls from the courts when you leave to ensure a safe and clean environment.
- (e) Ball hoppers may be used on Courts 1 and 5 only. No spectators, strollers, bicycles, or other non-tennis related items are permitted on the courts at any time.
- (f) Behaviour such as yelling, profanity, or racquet throwing will not be tolerated. Cell phones, pagers, beepers must be turned off.
- (g) A member who exhibits disruptive behaviour, such as making excessive noise, or unsafe behaviour, such as entering or crossing behind a court where play is in progress, may be asked to leave the court.

4) Tennis Attire

- (a) All players must wear appropriate tennis attire and non-marking tennis shoes. For the protection of players and of the court surface, no jogging, running or other shoes may be worn on the courts. Tennis shirts must be worn at all times on the courts and around the clubhouse.

5) Guest Procedure

- (a) Members may bring guests. The same guest may play a maximum of 5 times a season. The member will register the guest(s) with the Clubhouse Attendant and pay the \$5.00 fee per guest. The Clubhouse Attendant will supply one Guest Tag per guest for court booking purposes – this tag is valid for the remainder of the day. Guests must comply with all Club Rules. No more than two guests are permitted to play at any one time period on the courts if the courts are in full use.
- (b) Guests who subsequently join the club during the season may have their membership fee reduced by the amount of guest fees they have paid during the current season and for which they have receipts, to a maximum of \$25 per person. This reduction shall not be applicable to a mid-season discounted membership fee.

6) Non-Member Procedure

- (a) At the discretion of the Clubhouse Attendant, non-members may be permitted to play if members are not occupying all courts. Non-members must register with the Clubhouse

Attendant and pay a \$10.00 non-member fee per player. The Clubhouse Attendant will supply Non-Member Tags for court booking purposes – the tags are valid for the remainder of the day. Non-members must comply with all Club Rules. Non-members may play a maximum of 5 times a season. No more than two non-members are permitted to play at any one time period on the courts if the courts are in full use.

- (b) Non-members who subsequently join the club during the season may have their membership fee reduced by the amount of non-member fees they have paid during the current season and for which they have receipts, to a maximum of \$25 per person. This reduction shall not be applicable to a mid-season discounted membership fee.

7) Non-Adherence to Club Rules

- (a) The Clubhouse Attendants, members of the Board of Directors, and the Club Professional are tasked with ensuring that members comply with the rules.
- (b) Members who do not adhere to the rules may be asked to leave the court, may be warned of their breach, may be excluded from participating in some club activities, and may have their membership suspended or cancelled.
- (c) Members may report breaches of the rules in writing to the President. The Board of Directors, or a committee approved by the board, makes decisions regarding warnings, exclusions, suspensions and cancellations of membership.

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