

WIGGINTON TENNIS CLUB

RULES & USEFUL INFORMATION

We want everyone to have fun at the tennis club, but it would be wrong for us not to have a few rules in place to safeguard the club and our members. Please familiarise yourself with the rules before playing.

Please also understand that our committee are all volunteers and whilst dedicated, also have busy lives. Please be patient and don't hesitate to offer your advice, help and assistance in any way you feel able.

Playing Times

Members may use the courts at any time except when in use for league matches, club sessions, coaching, tournaments and other events in accordance with the displayed timetable. Any event not scheduled will be notified in advance.

General Play

If all courts are in use and other members are waiting then playing times are restricted to 45 minutes for singles and 60 minutes for doubles. This applies equally to Adult and Junior members.

Club Sessions

There are certain times during the week reserved as club sessions, these being for Adult members only, Team Players only or Juniors Only. Please refer to court timetable for exact information as to when these sessions are. Members **MUST** take turns to play and are expected to 'mix in'. Each match must be no more than a short set to 6 or 30 mins whichever comes first! No private or organised matches should be played during these sessions. If all courts are full and there are members waiting then each match time will be reduced to 7 games or 20 mins whichever comes first. A ladder system may be used to ensure equal game time for all members.

Court Etiquette

This is a family club, please wear the appropriate clothing, use appropriate language and keep control of your emotions. Unsportsmanlike behaviour, the throwing of rackets and hitting balls in anger is completely unacceptable. Please be expected to be asked to leave the courts if these rules are not adhered to!

Courts & Clubhouse

Access to the courts is by combination padlocks and the code will be notified to you by email. Adult members will be given a key to the clubhouse. Members should not share the code or their key with non members and any member found doing so will immediately forfeit the remainder of their membership with no refund of their fee. Junior members may not access the clubhouse without an Adult member being present.

The courts are to be used for playing tennis only. Spectators are not allowed on court.

Do not over tighten the nets, force the winding handle, lean on or climb over the net.

After you have finished playing the committee requests that you sweep the court with the brushes provided. This helps distribute the sand evenly and helps prevent build up of moss and other foreign matter. The net should be lowered slightly.

Members only and members of visiting teams may use the clubhouse. The clubhouse must be kept tidy and in the interests of hygiene no food left about or pots left unwashed.

In the interests of security, if you are the last to leave, please ensure the courts and clubhouse are locked.

Disciplinary action will be taken by the committee against any member who is reported for wilful damage to club property.

Floodlights

Floodlight tokens are available at £2 each (gives 30 mins play) These can be purchased from Wigginton Village Stores.

The floodlights are operated by the token meters in the clubhouse. Make sure you put your tokens in the correct meter for your required court.

The red lights on the central posts will come on to indicate you have 5 minutes of playing time remaining. After this time the lights will go off apart from a courtesy light which will allow sufficient time for you to leave the courts safely.

Please contact a committee member if you have any issues using the floodlights.

Guests

Guests are welcome at the club if attending with a fully paid Adult member. Guests can play for free up to 3 times per year after which they are expected to join or pay a guest fee of £5 per visit. This fee must be paid to the adult member who must pass this on to a member of the committee.

Balls

Used match balls are available for all members to use. These can be found in the racks in the clubhouse. Please return these balls when you have finished playing. New balls will be provided for matches and tournaments.

General

We want this club to be a vibrant, sociable, community club. Please help publicise the club – the majority of new members join clubs through word of mouth recommendations.

Please use the club website to keep informed of forthcoming events, news & find contact details for our committee members and coaches.

Please follow our facebook feed - www.facebook.com/wiggintennisclub

Club Liability

The club is not responsible for :

- a) Any article brought on to the club premises by a member or visitor
- b) Any damage, injury or loss caused by the acts or omissions of any member or visitor

Any member or visitor must indemnify the club against liability for damage, injury or loss.

MEMBERS ARE EXPECTED TO ABIDE BY
THESE RULES AT ALL TIMES