

Tennis Rules and Regulations

GENERAL RULES

1. Respect other players as they play or practice
2. Courts are for the express purpose of playing or practicing tennis. Other uses of the courts must be requested and approved the Tennis Coordinator or a Board Member.
3. No skates, skateboards, bikes or other riding toys will be permitted on the tennis courts.
4. Courts are not to be used before 8:00 a.m. All play must be completed by 11:00 p.m.
5. Proper Tennis etiquette must be observed at alltimes:
 - Proper tennis shoes and tennis apparel must be worn while on the courts
 - Only players are allowed on the court. Those not playing tennis must remain outside the fence.
6. Players should not interrupt play or distract players on the other court for any reason including the following:
 - Retrieving balls during play of a game
 - Loud or continued talking or playing of music
 - Entering or exiting the courts by walking behind other players
7. Any of these rules may be changed or modified by the Board of Directors.
8. Use of Smoking and/or Tobacco Products must be in designated areas only, this includes...nowhere within the gated pool area and cigarette butts should be put in a garbage can not left outside the gate
9. If you are the last person to leave the courts at night, please
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FORMATION OF TENNIS TEAMS

Any club member desiring to organize a tennis team to participate in ALTA competition, or USTA competition, or any organized league competition, and to use the ECST tennis courts for such competition, may do so under the following terms and conditions:

The organizer of such team must designate himself or herself as the captain of the team so organized, and shall be personally responsible to the ECST Board of Directors for the compliance of these terms and conditions, and shall see that each team member complies with the ECST Rules And Regulations for the compliance of these terms and conditions.

Prior to organizing such a team, the organizer must notify the Board to receive a key fob and announce team formations to the general membership on the club notice boards at the tennis courts and in an ECST newsletter the following information:

1. That plans are being made to organize an ALTA or USTA team.
2. The level of play for which application is being made.
3. Deadline date for signing up as a team member.
4. The name and contact information of the person to contact for registration.

The organizer shall prepare a list of all members and non-members who responded to the notice expressing a desire to play on the team being organized. The list should include the member's name, home telephone number, email address, and business and cell telephone numbers, if applicable. A copy of this list shall be forwarded to the Tennis Coordinator and/or the Board.

The team being organized shall then consist of the organizer (captain) and those members who expressed a desire to play on the team. No member desiring to be a member of the team being organized may be excluded from its roster.

1. A completed ALTA or USTA team roster for each team which is organized must be submitted to the ECST Tennis Director and/or the Board before the team will be permitted to reserve the tennis courts for ALTA or USTA play or practice.
2. The non-club ALTA or USTA team members shall be permitted to use the FS&TC tennis facilities only during its team events (team practice, team lessons and team play) and shall not otherwise be permitted access to the FS&TC tennis facilities except as is otherwise approved for in the FS&TC by-laws and Tennis Rules.
3. A fee of \$300.00 per season of play and league of play (i.e. Spring, Summer, etc./ ALTA, USTA, etc.) will be assessed per team to cover any maintenance expenses and non-member fees. This fee shall be charged to the team captain and shall be payable to the club by the team captain.

COURT USE BY MEMBER ALTA, USTA AND/OR OTHER LEAGUE TEAMS

1. A complete ALTA, USTA or any other organized league roster must be submitted to the Tennis Director for each team which is organized to play on ECST courts before the team will be permitted to reserve the tennis courts for play or practices.
2. ECST will reserve two courts for each home ALTA, USTA, or any other organized league match. Requests for reservations for the courts for ALTA, USTA or other league practice or matches must be submitted to the Tennis Director and posted to the reservation system.
3. Make-up matches (of rained-out home matches only) take precedence over any team's practice during the last week of the season. The Captain of a make-up match team must communicate their plans as far in advance as possible to the captain of the practice team and the Tennis Director and/or Board.
4. Paid ALTA, USTA or any other organized league in good standing may furnish a tennis instructor to be used only during the team's specified practice time. Instructors may not be used for personal instruction of individual team members at ECST unless the pro is under contract with a teaching agreement with ECST.
5. A paid member and/or the Team Captain must accompany all non-members. Non members are not permitted to practice or play outside of team practice or official ALTA, USTA, or other organized league matches.

TENNIS COURT RESERVATION PROCEDURES

1. Sign up for the court use can be no less than (24) hours in advance; however, ALTA or USTA matches, ALTA or USTA practices, ALTA or USTA team lessons, ECST tournaments and ladder challenges matches must be signed up as soon as scheduled and cannot bump players already signed up.
 2. The tennis reservation system is available at www.reservemycourt.com.
 3. Reservations can be made online or by calling the number provided to members and Alta or USTA captains.
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4. If signed-up players fail to show up within ten (10) minutes of their starting time, any member may sign up and play for the one and two- hour time period.
5. Players cannot sign up for more than two hours of court time in succession. ALTA or USTA matches, ALTA or USTA practices and club tournament matches may exceed this time limit.

TENNIS LESSONS

1. Tennis lessons can be provided to members and their families by any tennis professional that is under contract with ECST and is in good standing and has a current tennis contract at the time of the lesson.
2. Tennis lessons by members can be given to their children on a non-fee basis- once any member starts charging a fee for lessons-the coach must have a tennis contract with ECST
3. ATLA and USTA teams can bring in an outside coach to offer tuition for their team only during teams planned practice times.
4. All tennis professionals teaching out of ECST must be currently certified by USAPR or PTR and be current and carrying their association's liability insurance.

COURT MAINTENANCE AND CLEAN-UP

1. Periodic maintenance and repairs may be required for the courts. Such time frames for maintenance will be designated on the reservation sheet. Players are to refrain from being on the courts during the entire maintenance period designated including the time when no maintenance personnel are on the courts (this will allow the proper time for products like paint and caulk to dry or settle before play is resumed).
2. Each member and/or Captain of each member team must clean up the tennis courts and surrounding court area after each league play, practice or lesson. A large garbage can is located near the courts. Empty all garbage cans on the courts into the supplied large garbage can. If one is not near, the courts, please secure one from the garbage can storage area at the northern parking lot. For safety purposes make sure all beverages, food containers and wrappers, tennis balls, tennis cans, and metal lids are disposed of properly after play.
3. If court maintenance is required outside of the typical clean-up, please report to the ECST board
4. As within the pool area no glass bottles are allowed inside or outside the tennis courts. We have had instances of the glass bottles being thrown onto the courts and we would like to stop this from happening again.
5. Please do lock up the courts, turn off the lights, if you are the last ones on the courts.
Even if you are not you are not the last ones to use the courts please lock it up so we can protect our courts for you to enjoy.

