



WELCOME TO THE 2019 TENNIS SEASON RULES AND REGULATIONS

Tennis **rules and regulations** are for the protection of our players, guests and the facility. All that enjoy – spectators and players alike, must abide by these rules. By accepting membership, you agree to abide by all rules and regulations as well as ensure your guests do so as well.

- 🚩 Tennis hours of operation are **8am-11pm**.
 - Exceptions must be pre-approved by the Board or the Tennis Coordinator.
- 🚩 Respect our courts, the pavilions, the grounds and the restrooms.
 - We have a wonderful facility – love it like we do.
- 🚩 All courts **MUST** be reserved on “ReserveMyCourt.com”. Email the Tennis Coordinator if you need assistance.
 - Reservation will have priority.
 - This includes league play, Academy play, and recreational play. See bottom of this section for rules and expectations re: reservations.
- 🚩 Respect other players as they play or practice.
- 🚩 Please use **tennis etiquette** at all times. Please **be considerate** of other players.
 - Do not retrieve a ball from another court where players are playing. **ASK** before entering their court.
 - Do not walk on, around, or behind players on another court while players and playing. **ASK** before walking on or around their court.
 - No loud music.
 - No loud or offensive and/or disruptive talking on the courts.
 - **Be passionate**, but also be respectful.
- 🚩 Only tennis players are allowed on the tennis courts.
 - Spectators, friends and family not playing should remain outside the fence.
- 🚩 No smoking – including vaping, on the courts.
 - Please be kind and considerate of others around you.
 - Smoking is allowed outside the fences, but be considerate of where you smoke.
 - **PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE** property and safely dispose of all cigarette butts. No one likes to look at dirty butts.
- 🚩 No horseplay or unsafe behavior of any kind. **ONLY TENNIS** is allowed on the courts.
 - Anyone on the courts not playing tennis will be asked to leave.

- 🚩 Proper tennis shoes and tennis attire must be worn on the courts.
 - Shoes not designed for tennis courts or like surfaces could damage our courts.
- 🚩 No skates, skate boards, bicycles, etc. That's right, **tennis only** on the tennis courts!
- 🚩 Clear all debris from the courts and empty court trash cans after use.
 - Players are responsible for emptying the trash cans on the courts. Large trash cans are provided, and they are located next to each pavilion.
 - **Leagues** are REQUIRED to empty all court trash cans after all matches.
- 🚩 Last players on the court are required to turn off lights and lock the courts.
 - Failure to do so could result in “unwelcomed visitors” and potential damage.
- 🚩 Playground is “**USE AT YOUR OWN RISK**”. ECST accepts no responsibility for incidents, accidents, or lost items.
 - **Always supervise children using the playground.**
 - During pool season and hours, there is an access gate to the pool. Again, it is the responsibility of all members and guests to supervise their guests and/or children at the facility and on the playground.
 - The pool is for members only.
- 🚩 Outside food and beverages are permitted.
 - Clean up after yourself (including trash, spills in the pavilions, etc.)
 - We have trash cans; fill these babies up! Please don't leave your trash for others.
- 🚩 Glass is prohibited on the courts.
 - Never, ever, ever bring glass anything on the courts!
- 🚩 No behavior that could harm yourself or others is acceptable on or around the courts.
- 🚩 Restrooms in the pool area are available for tennis players and can be accessed with the fob.
 - **DO NOT** allow children to go to the restrooms unattended. In the summer, our pool is **very** tempting. We want all our guests – especially our littlest ones, to be safe at all times.
- 🚩 Be kind to one another – on and off the courts.
 - This isn't Wimbledon, and we play this sport for fun.



🚩 These rules can be enforced, modified and/or changed by the Board at any time, with or without notice. Please always review Rules and Regulations if you have any questions or reach out to your Tennis Coordinator or a Board member if you have any questions or concerns.

Interested in League play or want to form a new one?

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

- Must be aware of and abide to all rules and regulations listed on this policy and online.
 - These rules and regs apply to your players, too.
- Prior to organizing such a team**, the organizer must notify the Tennis Coordinator.
- The organizer must designate himself or herself as the captain of the team.
- The captain will be **personally responsible** to the ECST Board of Directors for the compliance of all terms and conditions **AND** shall ensure each team member complies with all ECST Rules and Regulations.
- Once approved and fees have been received**, the captain only will receive a key fob. Replacement fobs (not “extras”) will be \$15.

A fee of \$300.00 per season of league play (i.e. Spring, Summer, Mixed, ALTA, USTA, etc.) will be assessed per team to cover maintenance expenses, utilities, and non-member fees. This fee shall be charged to the team captain and shall be payable to the club by the team captain prior to having home courts reserved. This fee includes 1 day/night (2 courts) weekly for practice to be coordinated through the **Tennis Coordinator only!**

A fee of \$200 per season of league play - same as above; however, this will not include any other additional court time.

- Courts can be reserved at \$20 per court (or \$30 for 2 courts) for any one-off, 2-hour block for practice, Round Robin, etc., based on existing availability. This is **ONLY** for existing leagues and **ONLY** during the play season.
 - Other League and/or membership needs, peak times, etc. will receive first consideration and priority in regard to courts times and availability.
- Violations of this policy (accessing/using courts without notice/coordination/paying your fees) will result in possible suspension of your league play out of ECST. **No exceptions to this rule.**

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

Complete ALTA, USTA or any other organized league roster must be submitted to the Tennis Director for each team organized to play on ECST courts **before** courts will be reserved for play or practices. **Fees must be paid in full as well.**

ECST will reserve **two courts** for each ALTA and USTA home match. Requests for court reservations - practice and matches, must be submitted to the Tennis Coordinator and will then be posted to the reservation system, ReserveMyCourt.com. All attempts will be made to allow for more than 2 courts - if requested, for home matches, but must be requested at the time your schedule is submitted. This will be accommodated at the discretion of the Tennis

Coordinator who will take into consideration many factors such as other team needs, member demands, weather, peak time, and existing reservations.

Make-up matches (rained-out home matches **only**) take precedence over any team's practice, during the last week of the season. Other attempts will be made, including working with the Academy and existing reservations in emergency situations to reserve courts for match play.

Only **Board approved Instructors/Coaches/Pros** may use ECST courts for personal instruction of team(s) or its members at ECST. **No exceptions!** Failure to comply with this rule can result in suspension of your team. Understand that we also have rules that we must follow, imposed by multiple insurance policies.

TENNIS COURT RESERVATION PROCEDURES

All courts **must** be reserved online at ReserveMyCourt.com. No exceptions. Really, there are no exceptions.

Reservations will take precedent over non-reserved courts and **any player or group** can be bumped.

If the court(s) is not booked online, then it is considered available; therefore, it can be booked and played on even if there are players on the court(s) when you arrive.

If your plans change and you cannot keep your court reservation, **PLEASE** be considerate and immediately release your court. Please don't be "**that**" person. Again, it is the responsible and the kind thing to do.

If signed-up players fail to show up within ten (10) minutes of their reserved start time, any member may sign-up and play for the one or two-hour time period. **Please use your best discretion and be kind** in the event they DO show up. We live in a busy and congested area; accident and delays happen, so again, please be kind.

Players cannot sign up for more than two hours of court time in succession. ALTA or USTA matches and club tournament matches may unexpectedly exceed this time limit. In such cases, play will be completed, and players will immediately exit their courts.

ALTA or USTA matches, ALTA or USTA practices, ALTA or USTA team lessons, and ECST **pre-approved** tournaments must be schedule through the Tennis Coordinator and cannot bump players already signed up. This is why it's so important to coordinate needs/courts with the Tennis Coordinator.

Should **approved league play** extend past the allotted time on ReserveMyCourt, they will be permitted to remain on the court to finish their match. Thank you in advance for being considerate of this rule. It's the kind thing to do.

TENNIS LESSONS

Tennis lessons can be provided to members and their families by any tennis professional that is under contract with ECST (no exception). 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 member/coach must have a tennis contract. No exceptions and violations can result in suspension of your ECST membership.

Please understand that we are bound to many restrictions and rules of our own, **imposed by and non-negotiable**, though our property, liability, etc. insurance policies.

Please understand your Board is composed of **volunteers**. We do this because we love our community and this club. We will enforce our rules so that we can all be safe, HAVE FUN, be kind, and ensure we will all be able to enjoy our Swim and Tennis for years to come.

Any questions or concerns, please contact us! Online or @ ECST@eastcobbswintennis.com. Please refer to the **ECST** website as we update this with upcoming "Save the Dates" and events.



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