

ALCESTER TENNIS CLUB

RULES OF PLAY

There is to be no smoking anywhere, by anyone, within the boundaries of the club.

Court priority

1. League matches have priority over all other games.
2. Social play shall take precedence at designated social play times however in exceptional circumstances the Committee may sanction match-play, but only after all other alternatives have been explored. Every effort will be made to communicate changes in such circumstances.
3. Club tournament matches have priority over individually arranged games.
4. Senior members have priority over Juniors members after 7.00pm.
5. Club social tennis sessions are held at specific times and days of the week - latest schedule available on the web site.

Dress Code

6. Recognised tennis wear must be worn at all times; beachwear is not acceptable.
7. Only proper tennis shoes are allowed on court; trainers or footwear that either mark or damage the courts are not acceptable.
8. Tennis shirts should not be removed on court.

Floodlights

9. Play is restricted to 10pm. Court bookings should not be made after 9.15pm.
10. Senior members must accompany juniors under the age of 11 (year 7).
11. Floodlights must be switched off following completion of play.
12. A charge is payable by all members who benefit from floodlight play. Nominal fee of £1 per person per session, to be paid into the lights box in the Club House.

General

13. Visitors accompanied by members must pay a fee of £5.00 collected and posted in the lights box inside the Club House. A member cannot invite more than three visitors per session and a member may only book one court if playing with visitors.
14. Players are asked to be respectful to all others at all times – for example
 - Avoid hovering to cross a court when play is in progress
 - Turning your mobile phone to silent before going on court to play
 - Keeping noise to a reasonable level
 - Use your court's balls and returning others when a rally is not in progress
15. When match-play is in progress members are asked to enter the club via the main entrance near the clubhouse, as matches will typically be played on courts 3 and 4.
16. When any play is in progress on any court, members must not walk across the rear of that court without the agreement of the players playing on it.
17. The courts are to be left clean and tidy.
18. The courts and clubhouse should be locked unless other members are playing.
19. Damage, Injury and Loss: Neither the Club nor any committee member can be held liable for any damage, injury or loss caused (on or off court) by any act or omission of a Club Member.
20. Members (including temporary members such as guests, visiting players, "pay and play" players)

must accept responsibility for their own safety – both on and off court.

21. All players must check the surface of any court they intend to use (including the surrounding environment) to make sure that it is safe to play. All play is entirely at the player's own risk.
22. No bicycles, skateboards, footballs etc. are allowed on the courts.
23. Members are asked to either take home all rubbish brought into the club, or appropriately use any containers provided.

Complaints Procedure

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MEMBERS AND GUESTS

If you have a complaint about a member or guest, please email it to the Membership Secretary :

ATC-membership@outlook.com

TENNIS STAFF

If you have a complaint about coaching staff, please email it to the Inspire2Coach manager :

StratfordArea@i2ctennis.co.uk

COMMITTEE VOLUNTEERS

If you have a complaint about Committee volunteers, please email it to the Chairperson or

Membership Secretary: **ATC-chair@outlook.com or ATC-membership@outlook.com**

All parties to the complaint will be asked to supply the Chairperson with further information before being invited to meet together.

After this meeting, if the matter has not been resolved the club Committee will decide what further action should be taken in the best interests of the club and communicate their decision to all parties.

NB Failure to comply with rules above could result in members being suspended or removed from the membership.

Alcester Tennis Club also has the following policies (located on the Alcester Tennis Club web site <https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/AlcesterTennisClub>) - where this document, and the Tennis Club Constitution can be found.

- Diversity and Inclusion Policy
- Safeguarding Policy
- Whistleblowing Policy
- GDPR Privacy Policy

Alcester Tennis Club is committed to safeguarding children and vulnerable adults and to diversity and inclusion in tennis. Should you have any concerns please contact our Welfare Officer, Darren McMullen darren1674@me.com

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Members will be informed via email of the change, and the latest version will be displayed in the Club House.