



## Supervision of Under 18s

Safeguarding our members is very important to Aston Park Tennis Club. We have revised our guidance for Under 18s not attending coach led sessions in line with current LTA advice.

### **1. Junior members under the age of 13 playing on the club's courts must be supervised by a parent/guardian.**

The court booking should be made by the parent/guardian on behalf of the junior specifying the names of all participants, stating whether member or guest.

### **2. Junior members between the ages of 13-17 playing each other on the club's courts may be unsupervised, if the parent/guardian feels that is appropriate for their child.**

To ensure consent is given, the court booking should be made by one of the parents/guardians on behalf of the juniors specifying the names of all participants, stating whether member or guest.

**Junior members over 16:** If a parent/guardian wishes their child to have their own ClubSpark account to make court bookings, they should email the club to give consent and supply the child's email address. Any booking made by a junior member must specify the names of all participants.

### **3. Junior members between the ages of 13-17 playing with an adult member who is outside their immediate family.**

To ensure consent is given, the court booking should be made by the parent/guardian of the junior member specifying the names of all participants.

### **4. Under 18 Guests**

Parent/guardian and junior member are responsible for guests.

## **Under 18s playing for Aston Park LTC in local league matches**

We will encourage Under 18s to play in local league matches for the club if selected.

We commit to ensuring contact with the U18 on match details will be through the designated parent/guardian and it is the expectation that the parent/guardian will arrange for transport of the U18 to/from the match venue.

As stipulated in local league rules, any 'junior' younger than 18 years old must have a person or team player (normally the Captain) responsible for their safety. The club's Safeguarding & Welfare Officer must be notified and the club's Safeguarding & Welfare regulations as detailed in the LTA's Venue Registration must be complied with.

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