



Supervision of Under -18s Policy

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

Parents/guardians are encouraged to regularly check the relevant safeguarding and related Club policies.

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.

Parents will need a key to the gate and clubhouse. These are available from Tariq Fellous (tariq_fellous@hotmail.com) The deposit is £5.

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.

Parents will need a key to the gate and clubhouse. These are available from Tariq Fellous (tariq_fellous@hotmail.com) The deposit is £5.

Guests must be signed in and paid for (Juniors £3) and it is the responsibility of the Junior Member's parent to have secured consent from the junior guests' parent/guardian for them to play unsupervised by an adult.

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. Junior members over-16 may have their own key. These are available from Tariq Fellous (tariq_fellous@hotmail.com) The deposit is £5.

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. Junior members between the ages of 13-17 wishing to play in club organised social tennis events, club organised competitions or league fixtures.

Parents or guardians should follow the Club policy and give consent where needed.

5. Under 18 Guests

Parent/guardians should follow the Club guidance and inform the Coach as appropriate. Coach contact details are available on:

<https://clubspark.lta.org/GorlestonTennisClub>

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