



## **Code of Practice for Young People**

Leatherhead Tennis Club is fully committed to safeguarding and promoting the well-being of all its members. The club believes that it is important that members, volunteers, coaches and parents associated with the club should, at all times, show respect and understanding for the safety and welfare of others. Therefore, members are encouraged to be open at all times and to share any concerns or complaints that they may have about any aspect of the club with a member of the committee.

As a junior member of Leatherhead Lawn Tennis Club you are expected to abide by the following code of practice:

### *Act safely*

- Always ensure you have adequate adult supervision at all times while on the club premises. Other adult players are not there to supervise you.
- Wear suitable clothing for training and match sessions, as agreed with the coach. Footwear must be non-marking
- Remember to access courts through the correct gates to avoid crossing too many courts. Do not cross courts where others are playing.
- Do not run across other courts to retrieve balls while others are playing – wait for a suitable break in play
- Do not walk behind the courts whilst others are playing – wait for a suitable break.
- Do not take sweets/food on to court. Drinks are best in plastic bottles with tops.

### *Play by the rules*

- Play within the rules and respect officials and their decisions
- Keep to agreed timings for training and competitions, or inform your coach or team manager if you are going to be late
- Pay any fees for training or events promptly
- Junior members are not allowed to smoke, consume alcohol or drugs of any kind on club premises or while representing the club
- Any visitors you bring, come to play tennis and must be suitably dressed. They must sign in and pay the relevant fee. For insurance purposes they must become a paid member of the club from their 6<sup>th</sup> visit. It is not acceptable to bring friends to just 'hang around'.

### *Respect others*

- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of all others whether they are players or spectators.
- In tournaments/matches you must respect opponents, avoid bad language and aggressive and unsporting behaviour.

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***ENJOY PLAYING TENNIS AT OUR CLUB***