



# Morpeth Tennis Club By-Laws

- 1. Appropriate shoes and tennis apparel to be worn on court at all times**
- 2. The chewing of gum on court is not permitted**
- 3. It is the responsibility of each member to make sure that the club's premises are secure if they are the last person to leave the club.**
- 4. Guests**
  - a. Club members are allowed to bring an unlimited number of guests to the club during the season.
  - b. They can only bring one guest to the club at any one time.
  - c. A guest can visit the club for free up to three times per membership period (April-March) thereafter they will be subject to paying a guest visiting fee to the committee.
  - d. The names of all guests should be recorded and provided to the committee.
- 5. Court booking**
  - a. All courts should be booked online.
  - b. Members that have not book a court will, if needed, be asked to vacate their court by a member that has booked the court
  - c. Members that have booked a court but fail to honour their booking will be issued a written warning on their fourth infringement of these rules.
  - d. Junior / Guardian members should abide by the respective playing restrictions these will be displayed on the club notice board and website.
- 6. Floodlights**
  - a. Floodlights: tokens can be purchased from the club but on occasion may be left in the floodlight cupboard for match and social tennis sessions. Members should not take these tokens.
  - b. Members should turn off the floodlights when they leave the club and not allow the clock to run down.
  - c. If multiple courts are booked, members should share the costs of the floodlights between them.
- 7. Behaviour**
  - a. On-court: members will adhere to the Morpeth Tennis Club code of conduct and Equality & Diversity policy in particular they should:
    1. Refrain from the use of bad language
    2. Be respectful to other members on and off court
    3. Report to the committee any matter that would be in breach of the club's policies or would constitute a health & safety risk
  - b. Off-court: members will adhere to the Morpeth Tennis Club code of conduct, Equality & diversity policy and social media policy in particular they should:
    1. Be respectful to other members when communicating through official club social media channels.
    2. Be respectful to club members and those of other sections when using the clubhouse, bar and changing facilities.
    3. Report to the committee any matter that would be in breach of the club's policies or would constitute a health & safety risk
- 8. Membership fee / subscriptions**
  - a. Membership fees should be paid within three months of the new playing season (April-March). Members that fail to pay within this grace period will be removed from the list of members and as such will not be able to access the club's facilities.
  - b. It is at the committee's discretion to reimburse membership fees, this will be on a case-by-case and pro-rata basis.

