

Fair Play is an important value in tennis. We are committed to ensuring that tennis is played in a fair, open and inclusive nature at all levels.

We've outlined some core values of Fair Play for you to consider when on the court and playing tennis.

### **Enjoy**

- Tennis is a game, enjoy it!
- Be a good sport when you win, lose and watch matches.
- Be a role model and set a good example of the behaviour you expect from others.

### **Respect**

- Respect other players, parents and officials.
- Take responsibility for your actions.
- Learn and follow the rules
- Call the score and lines clearly and fairly and leave it to the official to resolve problems

These values apply equally to players, parents, coaches, officials and volunteers and cover all tennis activities, whether it is a competition, a friendly hit at a local court or a match you're watching.

## **Club Code of Court Conduct**

West End Tennis Club is fully committed to safeguarding and promoting the well-being of all its members.

Therefore, members are encouraged to be open at all times and to share any concerns or complaints that they may have with the Chair of the Club or other member of the management committee.

We want everyone to enjoy playing on these courts in safety.

So we expect everyone to:

- Respect and include all members, visitors and spectators
- Not permit offensive or abusive language or behaviour
- Encourage fair and safe play
- Behaviour such as throwing down of rackets, hitting rackets hard on the ground or hitting balls hard at walls, curtains etc in anger is not acceptable.
- Discourage deliberately hitting a ball hard at another player from close range
- Discourage disputes over calls
- Wear suitable attire, including non-marking trainers which have a good grip and are clear of mud/debris
- Wait until a suitable break in play to enter, leave or walk behind a court
- Clear any debris from the courts before playing (e.g. fallen leaves)
- Leave the courts and the Club House as would hope to find them
- Ensure that doors to the Club House are locked before leaving
- Ensure flood lights are off by 10pm

## **Etiquette for all club sessions**

### **General**

- Remember to always shake hands with your opponents/partners at the end of a set/match
- Good sporting behaviour is expected of all members at all times.
- Respect line calls and agree to play a let if a call cannot be agreed upon.
- Refrain from hitting balls deliberately at opponents and offer apologies for lucky 'net' calls, hitting people accidentally etc. Behaviour such as throwing down of rackets, hitting rackets hard on the ground or hitting balls hard at walls, curtains etc in anger is not acceptable.