

Court Etiquette

Off Court

- Do not walk too closely behind a court while a point is in progress and never walk behind a court when a point is still in play. Wait until the point is over and then cross as quickly as possible.
- If both courts are in use and you are going onto a court to play, please use the gate closest to the court you have booked, rather than crossing the other court
- Talk quietly when standing near tennis courts that are in use.

On Court

- When on court, leave your racket covers, ball cans, jackets etc., out of everyone's way, preferably on the verandah.
- If a ball strays onto your court during a point, you can call a let, provided this is done immediately before hitting the ball. Once you have hit the ball you cannot say you were distracted
- Do not return the ball to the place of origin until after the point is completed
- It is common courtesy not to disrupt players on court during a match. If your ball rolls onto an adjacent court, wait for them to finish the game. Under no circumstances should you run onto their court in the middle of a game to retrieve the ball yourself
- Always keep your court clear of balls even between serves. If you step on a ball during play it could be dangerous
- When sending balls to the other end of the court pass them along gently as your opponents might not be looking
- If you are unsure or didn't see the ball clearly, then the ball was in and must be given in the opponent's favour.
- Always respect the line calls of your opponent.
- If a first serve is out you should try not to return the serve and either let it pass to the back of the court or guide it into the net
- The server should always call out the score
- When leaving the court take your rubbish, water bottles etc with you
- Close the gates when you enter or leave the courts. When leaving ensure that the gates are locked behind you.