



## **SHANKILL TENNIS CLUB CLUB RULES**

The following rules shall govern the use of the premises of Shankill Tennis Club unless altered by the Executive Committee as it may see fit from time to time.

### Club Rules Relating to Child Protection:

1. All players are required to register with the Duty Supervisor prior to play and pay any appropriate court fee
2. Coaching groups with any under 8 children need to have an adult present during coaching/supervised tennis. This ensures that there is always someone present who can attend to the child for any reason such as injury/illness or to use the bathroom facilities. A coach/supervisor cannot leave the other children in their group to attend to an individual child.
3. Children are never to be dropped off or picked up from the carpark. Please instruct your child to wait for you in the sunroom, in the event that you are ever to be delayed.
4. Under10s must always be supervised by an adult when playing on the indoor courts.
5. Junior members (i.e. under 18s) may not play tennis or otherwise be on Shankill Tennis Club premises unless the Duty Supervisor or an accompanying adult (e.g. parent/guardian is present).
6. Adult and Student members have preference of play after 19.00 hours weekdays (Subject to rules 4 & 5). Junior members cannot book courts in advance or on the day for these times: the last junior booking being 18.00-19.00 hrs. Juniors may not play after 20.00 hrs. Junior members may play between 19.00-20.00 hrs but they must be accompanied by an adult and the court must be booked by the adult.

## Other Club Rules:

1. With the exception of League, Championship and Ladder/Challenge matches, play begins on the hour and lasts for one hour. Players must vacate courts when requested to do so by the Duty Supervisor.
2. Court, lights and other fees are as determined by the Executive Committee and posted in the Clubhouse.
3. The Executive Committee may reserve courts for League matches, tournaments, coaching or other purposes as it sees fit.
4. The Executive Committee may close courts for essential maintenance, public holidays or for other purposes/reasons as it sees fit.
5. Courts may be booked by Club Members and members of the public no more than three days in advance. All bookings must be made through the on-line booking system or the Duty Supervisor.
6. Outdoor courts: There is no limit to the number of bookings a member can make but the member who books the court must play at that time. Members may book one consecutive slot.
7. Indoor courts: Players may make a maximum of 4 bookings each week. The member who books the court must play at that time. Members cannot book a consecutive slot but can play a consecutive slot e.g. play a second hour with another member who has booked the court or coaching followed by a 1 hour slot.
8. Bookings must be claimed within 10 minutes of the appointed time. Cancellation must be made at least 2 hours ahead of the scheduled booking.
9. The Executive Committee reserves the right to apply a charge where bookings are not cancelled at least 2 hours in advance.
10. All players must wear tennis shoes.
11. Club Members must observe the appropriate Dress Code posted in the Clubhouse.
12. Club Members must observe the rules of Court Etiquette posted in the Clubhouse.
13. Club Members must observe the rules for protection of the court surfaces and equipment posted in the Clubhouse.
14. No bicycles, prams, buggies, glassware, chewing gum or smoking is/are permitted on the courts.
15. Roller-skating, skate boarding, bicycling and play of unauthorised ball games are not permitted in the Club grounds.
16. Dogs, other than guide dogs, are not permitted in the Clubhouse, courts or patio areas. Owners must remove their dogs when requested to do so.
17. Smoking is not permitted on the Club grounds.
18. Non-players and spectators must remain outside the playing area at all times.
19. Any person found abusing or defacing Club property or equipment or who's conduct on the tennis courts or in the Clubhouse or Club grounds is not proper, orderly and decent shall be removed from the premises and may face disciplinary or legal proceedings.
20. All professional coaching must be in compliance with the club coaching policy which is available on the club website.