



PENINSULA TENNIS CLUB

CLUB RULES

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Courtesy and good sportsmanship are the basis for the following rules, which are subject to change at the discretion of the Board of Directors. All Members are expected to abide by these rules, and, to the extent possible when the Club Manager is not present, help enforce these rules.

Definitions

Youth(s): any person(s) under the age of 18, or a Junior Member of the club.

Adult: any person not classified as a “youth” as described above, regardless of whether or not they are a Member of the club.

Supervision: Shall mean a parent/guardian actively supervising their child, and within the room or immediate area of the club.

General Club Rules

The Club Manager is directed by the Board of Directors to supervise the proper use of all club facilities and to rule on all situations concerning application of these rules. Such rulings shall be final.

1. No club property shall be removed from the clubhouse or grounds.
2. Youths under age 14 may not be left alone at the club.
3. Youths under age 18 are not allowed on the grounds after 5:00pm unless Supervised by an adult Member. Juniors between the ages of 18 and 24 are not permitted on premises after 9:00pm unless Supervised by an adult Member.
4. Pets are not permitted at the club.
5. Noise curfew is 10:00pm.

Tennis Court Rules

1. Sign-in with your group start and finish time on the court sign-in board. You may not sign up on the court sign-in board or waitlist unless all players are present and ready to play (not on the tennis court). List all player names in your group. Court time limits are as follows: 1-3 players = 1 Hour / 4 players = 1.5 Hours. You may continue to play past your scheduled finish time provided there is no one on the waitlist.
2. Proper tennis footwear and attire shall be worn at all times. No hard-sole shoes are permitted on the courts.
3. Shirts are required on all courts at all times, including Youths.
4. When more than four (4) tennis balls are used in practice there must be an open court on both sides of the court in use, or an open court on one side with a fence/net on the other.
5. Reservation of courts must be approved by the Club Manager or the Board of Directors.



Tennis Court Priorities

Adult Senior Members have priority on all courts at all times, except for the following:

1. TEACHING COURTS -Tennis Pro's court access for lessons, clinics & instruction is as follows:

Monday-Thursday- Court #5 8:00-6:00pm

Friday- Court #5 8:00-3:30pm

Sunday- Court #5 1:00pm-6:00pm

* Additional courts available with approval by the Board of Directors

Please Note:

- Lessons & clinics are not permitted during club events.
- Lessons & clinics are limited to the designated teaching courts unless approved by the Club Manager.
- Lessons & clinic-times are scheduled through the Club Manager and will be posted (days & times).

2. YOUTHS - will have priority or share priority with adults as follows:

Weekdays - Court #4 after 2:00pm; shared priority with adults

Sunday - Court #4 before noon; youths have priority

- Court #4 after noon; shared priority with adults

Please Note:

- Adults have court priority on Courts #1-3, 6 and 7 at all times.
- Youth priorities do not apply during any scheduled league, interclub, or PTC club activity.
- A foursome of three adults and one youth shall be considered a foursome of adults.
- When other youths are waiting to play, youth play is limited to one set or 45 minutes of hitting.
- Youth and adult must yield Court #4 on request of two youths. Court #5 may be used when Court #4 is occupied by an adult for lessons or ball machine use.

3. SUMMER JUNIOR PROGRAM

Monday-Thursday- Courts #6, #7 12:30-4:30pm

General Notes:

- If players having court priority request that a court be yielded, the court must be yielded at the end of the game in progress. If players are rallying, the court must be yielded immediately.
- League and interclub matches are to be scheduled through the Club Manager. On weekdays, USTA matches will not begin until 6:00pm. Weekend matches will not begin before 1:00pm. Exceptions: SFPTL and Super Senior matches will be played during weekdays; days and times will be posted in advance. The Club Manager has the authority to make exceptions to these rules based on USTA match needs and court availability.

Team/League Play

1. Teams should be filled from PTC membership. If a team can't be filled entirely from PTC Members, the roster may include up to 25% non-member players, not including guest players

on the wait list. In the event a team requires non-member players, prospective members from the PTC waitlist should be invited first.

- a) A one-time per season \$50.00 guest fee will be charged for any non-member playing on a PTC team. Guest fees will not apply for non-members playing in a match, or team practice.
 - b) Players from the PTC waitlist who play on a PTC USTA team will not be charged the \$50.00 guest fee for team play.
2. All team/league play at PTC home matches must utilize a tiebreaker in lieu of a third set, with the exception of post-season play, and only if the team is playing in the last time slot of the day.
 3. Team captains have discretion regarding:
 - a) using a player whose ability is below the team's description
 - b) playing Members or non-members in any given match
 4. If a team has a full roster, players rated below the team's NTRP level should not be rostered.
 7. In order to promote Member participation and provide various leadership styles, there will be no legacy team captains. At the beginning of each USTA/SFPTL league season, anyone interested in captaining a team should notify the Club Manager in writing prior to team registration opening. The Club Manager will assign a captain to each team with preference given to newer captains. Only PTC Members and their spouses are permitted to captain/co-captain PTC teams.

Swimming Pool Rules

1. Youths under age 14 require Supervision at all times.
2. Running is prohibited in the pool/spa area.
3. No running dives are allowed at any time.
4. Lone swimming is permitted only for persons 14 years of age and older.
5. No glass is allowed in and around the pool/spa areas.
6. Swimming pool closing time is 9:00pm.
7. Lifeguard on duty has full authority to enforce all swim/spa rules.
8. No food or beverages are allowed in the pool.
9. The pool area chairs, umbrellas, towels and toys must be cleaned up, reorganized and/or put away after use. Used towels must be placed in the towel bin. Do not remove towels from the premises.



Spa Rules

1. Youths 5-14 may use the spa with direct adult Supervision. Adults have priority at all times; children should vacate the spa when in use by adults.
2. Youths under age 5 are not permitted to use the spa at any time. It is unsafe for children to be in temperatures above 102 degrees.
3. Running is prohibited in the pool/spa area.
4. Youths are not permitted to have food, beverages, or toys in the spa.
5. Lifeguard on duty has full authority to enforce all swim/spa rules.

Club Room Rules

1. The Club Room is for use by Members only, at all times.
2. Youths under age 18 are allowed in the Club Room only if Supervised by an adult Member and dependent upon appropriate behavior. The Club Manager can be the Supervising adult if a request is made of the Club Manager and subsequently granted. All such requests are on a per-occurrence basis.
3. All reservations for use of the Club Room must be made through the Club Manager and approved by the Board of Directors. The Club Room is not available for rental.

Ball Machine Rules

1. Members must sign in name and start time on court sign-in board prior to entering court.
2. Total time limit of 30 minutes after machine set up.
3. Children under the age of 14 must have an adult on court Supervising at all times.
4. Place remote in control box, pick up balls and store machine in shed, lock when finished.

Exercise Room Rules

1. Exercise facilities are for use of Adult Members, 18 years of age and older. Children are allowed in the exercise room as noted below.
2. Children 14-17 years old can use the exercise facilities when accompanied by a parent, or with permission from the Club Manager. Parent is responsible for safety training. Children allowed in fitness room must be actively exercising. Senior Members have priority on all equipment; children must yield equipment to a Senior Member upon request.
3. Children under the age of 14 are not permitted in the exercise room at any time.
4. All members must wipe down exercise equipment after use.



Etiquette Guidelines

1. PTC does not condone the use of profane language, yelling, racket throwing, slamming of tennis balls, and the like, at any time or anywhere on the premises.
2. PTC is a family-oriented club of Members who love and appreciate the game of tennis. As noted above, courtesy, good sportsmanship and respect for fellow Members and guests is and should be the norm.
3. When watching a match, whether it is social, tournament or league play, please use proper discretion in “cheering” for one player or another. It is a reflection on our club and the membership. Err on the side of conservatism.
4. When walking to a court to play, you must use the entry doors closest to that court. **DO NOT** at any time walk across courts that are occupied.
5. Cell phone usage at the club is limited. Please set your cell phone to a non-ringing status prior to entering the club. Any cell phone usage shall be done in a respectful manner with due consideration of both players and spectators. No voice calls permitted.
6. When entering the club from the Chatham Street entrance while Court 1 is in use, please do not walk by Court 1 until the point is finished.
7. Do not enter a neighboring court while point is in play. Use common courtesy and wait for the point to end before interrupting players on other courts.

Violation of Etiquette Guidelines

1. Any violation by a Member of the Etiquette Guidelines listed above will result in a warning letter to that Member from the Board of Directors, a copy of which will be included in the Member’s file.
2. Among other things, the letter will request a meeting between that Member, and representatives of the Board of Directors to discuss the grievance.
3. Repeated disregard of the Etiquette Guidelines may result in a suspension of membership privileges.

Guest and Group-usage Rules

1. The inviting/hosting Member must register the guests, be present the entire time the guests are at the club, and pay the applicable guest fee(s).
2. No person may be a guest at the Club more than two times per month or more than one weekend day per month.
3. Normal guest rules and fees apply for new member applicants, although their sponsors can bring the applicant twice per month on weekdays or once per month on weekend days.



Additional days can be arranged for play with members of the Board of Directors or the Membership Committee (applicant should be signed-in, but there will be no fee).

4. A maximum of 3 tennis playing guests per Member are allowed at any given time, and the hosting Member must play on the court with them.

Group Use of Club Facilities

- a) Any Member hosted group containing 10 or more non-members who want to use any of the Club's facilities has to be cleared by the Club Manager in advance and must have prior approval of the Board of Directors. Applicable guest fees will apply.
- b) The club charges a fee for each party. Please see the Club Manager for more information.
- c) Any non-member who participates in any activity including but not limited to barbecue, yoga, bridge, swimming and/or tennis at anytime needs to be signed in by the hosting Member. Applicable guest fees will apply.

BBQ/Pool/Spa Area Guidelines for Junior Parties

The Club charges a fee for each party. Please see the Club Manager for more information.

- a) Parents must Supervise and be present for the entire event, assisted by as many adults as are necessary, to provide adequate supervision as determined by the Club Manager.
- b) The group should be no larger than 12 juniors.
- c) Noisy activities (including loud music) are discouraged as they may interfere with another Member's use of the Club.
- d) Guest fees must be paid for all non-member participants.
- e) The parent/Club Member sponsoring the party will be personally liable for any damage caused by their guests.
- f) Notification in writing should be given to the Club Manager at least two weeks in advance of the party.
- g) The Club and all areas used for parties shall be left neat and clean, ready for other Members to use.
- h) Club parties and swimming are not allowed after 9:00pm.