

Court Reservations – On-Line Court Schedule System

Tennis Etiquette and Rules (updated 11/18/2015)

Because we are now the most active tennis club in the Triangle, our tennis programs and court usage are higher than ever. Please take a moment to review our updated rules to assist us in providing you quality tennis courts for the time you wish to play!

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- **Court Reservation System:**

Important - Always reserve your court in advance no matter what time of day you play.

Please see the attached sheet detailing our On-Line Court Reservation System.

- **Always check in** with the Pro Shop during 8:30 – 5:30. After hours, you may view the Court Schedule System on the Lobby View Monitor located in the clubhouse. This is to confirm the court number assigned to you and to make sure that you have not been moved to another court.
- **Requests made for a specific court will be honored when possible.** However, weather and maintenance needs of the courts make it necessary to occasionally move people to other courts.
- **Court Times** - Courts are available for 1 ½ hour time periods. Playing prior to your time slot is not permitted unless cleared by the Pro Shop and your group's names are on the reservation sheet.
- **For any reserved court**, a 10-minute grace period exists. Players (minimum 2) must claim their court within 10 minutes of the time scheduled; otherwise, they forfeit their reservation and must relinquish the court if other players are waiting to play.
- **Always cancel** your court reservation through the Court Schedule System if for any reason you need to cancel your reservation(s) **freeing up that court for your fellow member.**

Rules

- **Wet courts:** A wet court, soft or hard, is a dangerous surface. If a court appears to be wet, do not use the court. Check with the Pro Shop for court availability. Specific maintenance questions should always be directed to the Manager who will be happy to assist you.
- **To avoid any interruption of your tennis, we appreciate your attention when checking the day's schedule of play along with grooming / water cycles or court closings due to weather or repairs, and reserve your courts accordingly.**
- **If the chairs are on the nets, the court is not playable. Period.**
- **To determine court conditions**, call the Pro Shop after 7:45 am. When the Pro Shop is open it is the member's responsibility to call if the weather is in question for their time to play.
- **To ensure you get a clay court in the evening, make sure you reserve the court in advance. Some evenings we will close a bank of courts if no reservations have been made ahead of time.**
- **Attire:** Only tennis shoes are permitted on the courts. *Running Shoes, street shoes, basketball shoes, and cross-trainers are not permitted.* Players are asked to wear suitable tennis clothing. Shirts must be worn at all times.
- **Persons not playing tennis** are not permitted on the courts. This rule applies to children as well as adults.

Club Guest Policy: (these rules also apply to members' children) – Thank you in advance for following your club's guest policies. You are responsible to register all your guests. You must also accompany your guests at all times. You may bring the same tennis guest 2 times per month only. Please sign in all your tennis guests on the guest sign-in sheet located in the pro shop during pro shop hours. After hours, the tennis guest sign-in sheet is located on the table where the on-line reservations computers are located. Tennis guests are \$8 per person.

You may bring the same pool guest 6 times per month only. Please sign in all your pool guests at the main entrance to the pool. The pool sign-in sheets are located at the pool check-in shed. Pool guests are \$8 per person.

**Out-of-Town Guest Privilege is for Year-Round Members
Only and does not apply to Seasonal Members:**

Out of town guests that are staying in your house are free during their stay. Please sign in all your out of town guests and be sure to note that they are out of town guests staying in your house.

Guest Pass Voucher Card

You may pre-purchase a Guest Pass Voucher Card consisting of 10 Guest Passes for just \$60 bringing your per person guest fee to only \$6 per person. These Voucher Cards are available through the Pro Shop.

- **Challenge Court Procedures:** Challenge courts are meant for doubles play. One set of doubles is to be played, with a tiebreaker at six-all. The winners keep the court and must accept the challenge of the next team waiting. Weekends and Holidays:

Etiquette

Since members' "on-court" actions affect one another, cooperation on the courts is important to the membership at CHTC.

First and foremost, tennis etiquette is anchored in the ideal of **no distractions** for the players.

- Players should not walk on to their court until their appropriate time.
- Please refrain from **loud talking**, profanity and unsportsmanlike conduct when on or in the vicinity of the tennis courts. Your cooperation in this is essential to the smooth operation of the Club environment. Egregious breaches of etiquette may result in a temporary suspension of Club privileges.
- **Minimize movement** behind tennis courts that are in play. The walkways are not to be used as exercise paths as this could be a distraction to players.
- **Use the gate** nearest your court to enter.
- **Always wait until players** are in between points before proceeding to your court.
- **Return other players' tennis balls** in a timely fashion and only between points.
- **Players should** relinquish their court when their time has expired.

Indoor Courts

- **Hours** are 8:30 am to 10:00 pm seasonally. Court time is 1 ½ hours.
- **Reservations** are accepted up to one week in advance of play or as a "walk-on" without reservation simply by registering at the Pro Shop. Check-in at the Pro Shop is required before play.
- **Cancellation Policy:** There is no charge for cancellation 24 hours prior to play.
- **All fees** must be paid prior to play at the Pro Shop.
- **Names of all players** must be given. When reserving an indoor court and "checking in", give the names of players who are to be charged for the court.
- **Only tennis shoes** are permitted on the courts. No cross-trainers, running shoes, black-soled shoes, or street shoes are allowed.
- **Racquet abuse and food or beverages** will damage the court surface. Food and beverages (other than water) are not allowed on the courts. *No glass bottles* permitted.