Edgemere Tennis Policies
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This tennis facility is for the use of all Edgemere residents in good standing. Rule violations should be reported to the tennis committee.

A. General Court Rules

1. Court hours are 7:00 a.m.-11:00 p.m.
2. Proper tennis attire is required at all times. Men must wear shirts.
3. Only smooth-soled tennis shoes are allowed. (No basketball shoes, hard-soled shoes, jogging, track, or running shoes, black-soled shoes, or bare feet.)
4. Smoking is not permitted in the fenced area.
5. No animals, strollers, playpens, bikes, skateboards, blades, or scooters are allowed on the courts.
6. Repair of damage to the courts or equipment is the responsibility of the resident or parent of the resident involved.
7. All players must conduct themselves in a sportsmanlike manner. Loud, quarrelsome conduct or profanity is not permitted.
8. Gates should be locked and lights turned out when play is completed.
9. All trash must be placed in provided containers. This includes old tennis balls, tennis cans, and lids.

B. Court Reservations

1. Courts will be played on a reserve basis.
2. Reservations will be made on a first come basis no more than three days in advance. The only exception is Edgemere sanctioned events which will be blocked off by the tennis chairperson.
3. Reservations are limited as follows: Singles – 1½ hours; Doubles – 2 hours. Play may continue until new players desire to use the courts. Before yielding the court, it is acceptable to finish a game, but not a set.
4. Each resident may sign up on the reservation sheet for one time slot per day.
5. Failure to show up within ten minutes after the reserved period will result in forfeiture of the reserved time. This applies to scheduled team practice, lesson times, and open play.
6. No one under eight years of age will be allowed to reserve a court.
7. No one under eight years of age will be permitted to play tennis on the courts unless supervised by an adult.

C. Priority Use

1. Residents sixteen years of age or older can reserve a court at any time, including weekends and holidays. Junior residents (ages 8-15) can reserve a court at any time except weekends, holidays, and after 6 p.m. on weekdays.
2. “Walk-on” juniors will not be asked to leave a court after they have begun play until the normal time period (singles – 1 ½ hours; doubles – 2 hours) has expired.

3. A child or junior may play with an adult resident during "adult sign-up times".
4. Courts may be closed for regular play for Edgemere sanctioned events. Notice will be given on sign-up sheets with date and times blocked off by the tennis committee.
5. Only one court per household per day can be used with guests.

D. ALTA/USTA Teams

1. The tennis committee will notify residents of all teams forming for the upcoming season. Any new team must contact the tennis chairperson 30 days prior to the league roster deadline.
2. All teams must be approved by the tennis committee.
3. Edgemere residents may not be denied access to a team. In the interest of fairness to all players, if a player desiring to play on an established team is ranked such that admittance will move the team to a higher level, that player may be asked to re-establish their ranking so as not to affect the team level. This determination will be made by a majority vote of the resident members. This does not preclude an established team from agreeing to accept the new member.
4. Sanctioned teams will have a minimum of 4 resident members.
5. The majority of resident members of a team will decide how the team will be classified – competitive or recreational. This classification may determine the frequency of play.
6. Either the captain or co-captain of an Edgemere team must be an Edgemere resident. The captains are responsible for the use and clean-up of all affected facilities. Junior teams must have 2 residents and at least 1 resident parent must be courtside during matches, lessons and practice. The resident parents are responsible for care of the facility. Teams should remove their trash after using the courts.
7. Only ALTA/USTA sanctioned teams will be allowed practice time and match play time Each sanctioned team is limited to one regularly scheduled practice/lesson each week, beginning two weeks prior to the start of the season. These sessions are scheduled for two hours on both courts. Practice may be scheduled anytime Monday through Thursday and Friday till 5 p.m. Exceptions will be considered by the tennis committee on a case-by-case basis depending on the demand for court usage. In the event that a scheduled practice session or lesson is cancelled, it will be forfeited for that week. Practice time on legal holidays is cancelled. The team with the most resident members will have first choice of practice times. Team captains must contact the tennis chairperson three weeks prior to the start of the season to secure weekly team practice times.
8. Scrimmages for sanctioned teams may be arranged on an availability basis by submitting a request to the tennis chairperson at least one week prior to the desired date.
9. Team captains must submit their match schedule, team roster, league log-in and passwords to the tennis chairperson at least one week prior to the first match. The tennis committee will post all home matches on the court sign-up sheets.
10. Fees for non-resident ALTA/USTA players are $25 per person per season ($15 for juniors). There is a family maximum of $100 per year. The team captain is responsible for the dues of all non-resident players (team parent for juniors). A single check for the entire amount of required fees and the roster will be submitted by the

captain for the tennis committee's approval. Failure of the committee to receive this check on time will result in loss of use of Edgemere courts.

11. Any additions to the rosters of non-residents after the season begins must be submitted along with the required fees to the tennis committee. Failure to pay the required fee will result in loss of use of Edgemere courts.
12. A make-up match for Edgemere teams can be scheduled as provided by ALTA/USTA rules. A rescheduled home match takes precedence over all other play, practice, or lessons. It is the responsibility of the captain to give advance notice to anyone who has previously signed up for the courts, so that he/she is aware of the need to reschedule.
13. Individual make-up matches may be scheduled one week in advance. An existing court reservation cannot be bumped for an individual make-up match.
14. In the event there are more teams in one season than our courts can accommodate, the following rules apply:
    a. The team captains will meet with the tennis chairperson prior to submitting rosters and flip a coin to see which team(s) will play on outside courts.
    b. Any team required to play on outside courts will be responsible for their own expenses.
    c. Any team required to play on outside courts for the season will be exempt from having to toss a coin the following season.
    d. After all sanctioned Edgemere teams have played on outside courts, they will continue to do so in rotation.

These rules and regulations may be revised at any time by the tennis committee with the board of directors' approval.

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