



GRANDE PRAIRIE TENNIS CLUB

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TENNIS CLUB ETIQUETTE FOR GROUNDS AND COURTS

No food or drinks allowed on courts except water. Do not damage the court surfaces or area by picnic tables by leaving chewing gum; sticky drink spills; greasy foods or other foreign substances on the surface. Please use wipes provided in sheds to clean up after any spills.

Do not leave metal caps from ball cans, ball cans, unwanted balls, paper cups, drink bottles or other litter on or around the court. Use litter or recycling bins that are provided.

Wear only non-marking running shoes.

Ensure any equipment you are not using on court (spare racquet, bag, drinks, clothes etc.) is placed out of the way and will not present a hazard to players changing ends or moving for a wide ball or around the social area.

Close the gate behind you when you enter or leave the courts.

Do not share the code with non- paid members. ***If there is someone wanting to enter and check out the club, do NOT turn them away. Simply open the door, greet, and welcome them, direct them to posters pertaining to website and club information.

Music on the courts: If no other members are present, and you and your hitting partners would like to enjoy hitting to some tunes, please do. However, as soon as other members show up, we ask that you turn off your music to respect others who may find this disruptive to their playing.

Animals at the courts: We prefer you leave your animals at home unless they do not bark or disrupt the members or use the courts as their bathroom!

Court Surface Care: **Absolutely** no shovels, scrapers, or dragging of equipment over delicate court surfaces, including both green and blue areas. This results in damaging the special top surface of the courts. Melting of snow should happen naturally to protect our surfaces.

Parking: Please Park in D-Coy parking lot, or on the street. Do not park in alley way. Do not park on grass unless you are doing maintenance or unloading heavy supplies or equipment. You will be subject to a fine in these areas.



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COURT PLAY ETIQUETTE

RESPECT PLAYERS ON THE COURT (OR ON ADJACENT COURTS).

- No foul or abusive language tolerated at the club.
- Talk quietly if you are near courts that are in use.
- Do not cross behind a court while a point is underway. When the point is over, move quickly across the back of the court.
- Do not take any food or drinks onto court except water.

BE CONSIDERATE WHEN RETRIEVING OR RETURNING BALLS.

- If a ball from your court goes onto another court, wait for a break in play on that court (and any courts between you and the court where the ball stops) and then politely ask for the players on that court to return the ball. If the ball presents a danger to a player, alert them immediately.
- Please avoid hitting balls recklessly, or in a hazardous way that may increase the chance of players, opponents, or nearby spectators to avoid possible injuries.
- Return balls that come onto your court to the back of the court, at a break in play on that court. If a ball comes into your court and disturbs your game, call a let and replay the point.
- All balls that are either out, let or fault calls should be made promptly.
- Any doubt must be resolved in favour of the opponent. Any ball that cannot be called out with certainty is considered to have been good.
- A player should acknowledge promptly if a ball touches him, he touches the net, he doubles hits a ball, if the ball bounces twice or if he hits the ball before it crosses the net.
- If a call is changed from out to good the point is only replayed if the out ball was put into play. A player shall not put into play or hit over the net an obvious fault.