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Code of Practice

HAMPTON IN ARDEN TENNIS CLUB is fully committed to safeguarding and promoting the well-being of all its members.

HAMPTON IN ARDEN TENNIS CLUB believes that it is important that members, coaches, administrators and parents/guardians should, at all times, show respect and understanding for the safety and welfare of others. Therefore, members are encouraged to be open at all times and to share any concerns or complaints that they may have with a member of the committee or contact the Chairman using the details above.

As a member of *HAMPTON IN ARDEN TENNIS CLUB* you are expected to abide by the following code of practice:

ALL Members

- Members must play within the rules and respect officials and their decisions
- Members must respect the rights, dignity and worth of all participants regardless of age, gender, ability, race, cultural background, religious beliefs or sexual identity
- Members should keep to agreed timings for training and competitions, or inform their coach or team captain if they are going to be late
- Members must pay any fees for training or events promptly
- Tennis shoes must be worn - not running shoes, studs, blades, grooves or heels which may damage the courts.
- When you finish brush the court, clean the lines, pick up litter, slacken the net.
- If you are last to leave please shut all the gates and secure the padlocks to prevent unauthorised access.
- Wear tennis shoes and sports clothing of any colour.
- Use plastic bottles or cups on court to avoid broken glass or china.
- Wait until the game in play is complete before walking close to or through a court where a match is in progress.
- Turn your mobile phones off when league or tournament matches are in progress.
- Avoid using foul or abusive language or abusing equipment.
- Do not smoke on the courts or bring alcohol onto the courts.

Parents and Guardians of Junior Members

- Encourage your child to learn the rules of tennis and play within them
- Discourage unfair play and arguing with officials
- Help your child to recognise good performance, not just results
- Never force your child to take part in sport
- Set a good example by recognising fair play and applauding the good performances of all
- Never punish or belittle a child for losing or making mistakes
- Publicly accept judgements made by officials
- Support your child's involvement and help them to enjoy their sport
- Use correct and proper language at all times

- Be patient - steady progression is unusual in children; peaks and plateaus are common
- Your first question following any match should be: "Did you enjoy it?" not "Did you win?"
- At no stage should you communicate with your child or interfere with the on-court helpers and referees during a match – just enjoy the game and let officials take care of the rules!

Court and Clubhouse Usage

Adult members take priority on weekdays after 6pm, except for coaching courses.

Junior members take priority on the mini tennis court.

You are welcome to bring guests three times each season per guest without charge.

Children at Senior School may use the courts with no requirement for adult supervision. Children of Primary School age may only play under the supervision of an adult.

Parents are asked to take responsibility for their children in the clubhouse and on the sports field and ensure that they abide by the licensing laws. Children of 14 or over may use the clubhouse without supervision. Children under 14 can use the clubhouse under supervision if they are well behaved.

Coaching

Our coach and his team are responsible for the delivery of the coaching programme which he organises in conjunction with the committee. If you wish to coach another member, as a matter of courtesy we request that you discuss your proposal with our coach first. Our coach has the right under reasonable circumstances to refuse your request. Also please remember that if you are coaching a non-member that person can only be your guest three times per season.