

Chautauqua Tennis Club
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Rules and Regulations

This information covers many of the matters that would concern CTC members on a day-to-day basis. Any or all of the following may be revised at any time. It is not intended as a complete advisory of the rules and regulations of this organization.

MEMBERSHIP

1. Membership Renewal dues are to be paid between September 1st and 30th of each year. The season begins October 1st and ends April 30th.

2. Returning members: As of 8/1/2024 all membership fees are due by September 30th. Late memberships are subject to a \$20 late fee.

3. New members are allowed to join the club at any time. Refer to the Membership/Renewal form.

4. Membership dues and court fees should be paid separately. Membership dues are taxable and court fees are not.

5. Only full-time members have the right to vote at meetings of members and to hold office. Junior members are not eligible.

6. All members must complete Volunteer Units or pay opt out fee. Requirements are as follows: full-time members 5 units; half-time members 2 units; and monthly members 1 unit.

7. All club information will be sent via email unless otherwise requested.

GUESTS

1. The term guest shall include any non-member of the club playing tennis except that any person who resides more than 40 miles from the location of the club, while playing accompanied by a member of the club, shall not be deemed a guest, but a visitor, and shall not be responsible to pay a guest fee, but all normal charges for court time shall apply to the member using the court.

2. Each member shall be allowed two free guest passes which may be used to admit one guest for one day each, subject to the limitations herein. No physical passes will be prepared. All guests must sign in on the clipboard at the entrance of the club.

3. No guest may be permitted on a free guest pass more than two times in any club year, regardless of the source of the pass.

4. Additional guest passes may be granted at the discretion of the membership committee to a member for the express purpose of aiding members in recruiting new members.

5. Guests may play, with a member, an unlimited amount by paying a guest fee in the amount of \$20.00 per day in addition to any applicable court time.

COURT USAGE

1. Court times will be in 90 minute blocks starting at 6:00 am.
2. Court times should be purchased in advance of usage with a separate check. Notice of delinquency in payment of court fees will be sent via email at the end of each month, payable within 30 days. All court fees owed at the end of the season must be paid within 30 days.
3. Court time may be reserved via website at chautauquatennisclub.somee.com or by calling the club manager. Court time less than five days in advance may be reserved at any time. Violation may result in dismissal from the club at the board's discretion with no refund of membership payment.
4. Unused court time is not refundable but may be rolled over to the next season, transferred to another member, or retained for a member on leave of absence for up to one year. Transfers and leaves of absence must be requested in writing.
5. Failure to cancel court time **prior** to scheduled time will be charged to the member. Cancellations can be made via website or by phone.
6. The Club will reserve certain court times for league play, junior programs, and other activities.
7. Tennis lessons and clinics may be attended by non-members.

CONDUCT

1. When entering or leaving the club (or the court area), please do so quietly and quickly when others are playing to prevent distracting them.
2. Members should be respectful of the players on the court with them as well as those on the adjacent court. For example, do not retrieve a tennis ball from the other court area (which includes behind the baseline) while play is under way there. Wait until the point has ended to request that the ball be returned.
3. Member's guest and visitors must sign in on clipboard and follow all club rules.
4. Players are responsible for picking up the court area before the court time has ended.
5. No chairs, food or drink other than water/sports drinks should be brought on the court surface (with exception of member parties).
6. Outside shoes/boots must be removed before walking on the playing surface.
7. Members should turn off the lights and secure the door when leaving.
8. Members should report to the manager or a board member any violations of rules.

CONDUCT continued:

9. When using a ball machine, please refer to rules set by the club.
10. Unauthorized or unpaid use of the courts may result in dismissal from the club at the board's discretion.
11. Members should not attempt to operate or change settings on fans and thermostats.
12. Each member will be issued the current door code. The code is not to be shared or used by anyone else. Violation may result in dismissal from the club at the board's discretion with no refund of membership payment.

LEAGUES

1. Only club members may participate in league play including substitutes.
2. The league chairperson(s) shall be authorized to allow non-members to participate in league play.
3. The league committee and the club manager will implement rules to assure the smooth functioning of the leagues. Rules will be provided to participants.

ELECTION TO THE BOARD

1. Any full-time member in good standing may enter his or her name for election to the board. Junior members are not eligible.
2. The election will be held each year as part of the annual meeting. The members receiving the highest number of votes in declining order will fill the open seats on the board. The board consists of 13 members elected for three-year terms.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

1. Officers will be elected by and from the board members at the first board meeting following the annual meeting to serve for a one-year term.

Approved by Board of Directors on 9/12/2024