

AVALON TENNIS RULES AND REGULATIONS

April 14, 2021

GENERAL RULES

1. Tennis courts are available year-round, weather permitting, until 10pm.
2. Only association members in good standing, and their guests, may use the tennis courts or facilities.
3. No pets are allowed in the fenced court areas.
4. Court gates should be kept closed at all times for safety.
5. The courts are for tennis only. No bikes, skates, skateboards, scooters or other activities are permitted on the court at any time.
6. Children under the age of 10 must be supervised by an adult at all times.
7. At night, all lights should be turned off by the last players leaving the courts.
8. Please be responsible and care for your courts at all times.
9. Violations of the rules and regulations may result in expulsion from the tennis courts for a prescribed time.

COURT CONDUCT

1. Appropriate tennis attire and non-marking court shoes are required on all courts. Flip-flops, crocs or sandals are not allowed on the court. During the summer months, swim shorts are permissible, and girls should wear a skirt or shorts over a bathing suit. Shirts are to be worn by members and guests at all times.
2. Players must exhibit proper sportsmanship while playing (no profanity, throwing of rackets, etc.).
3. No one, other than players and officials, shall be allowed inside the fenced area. Those waiting to play, spectators, and children must stay outside the fenced area.
4. No food or food containers are allowed inside the fenced area. Beverages are permitted in non-breakable containers.
5. Sitting or leaning on the nets is prohibited.
6. No littering is allowed. Trash containers are provided for your use.
7. No smoking is allowed inside the fenced area or on the wooden deck.
8. As a courtesy to all players, walking behind a court while a point is in progress should be avoided.
9. It is understood that any member causing property damage shall be held financially responsible.
10. Members shall also be responsible for any damage done by their guests or children in their household.

GUEST POLICY

1. Guests must be accompanied by an ARA member who is required to remain with and be responsible for the paid guest.
2. Guests must play on the same court as their host or hostess.

3. Excessive visits by any one guest may cause the privileges of the guest to be revoked.

COURT RESERVATIONS

1. All players are required to make an online reservation for courts via reservemycourt.com prior to play.
2. A tennis player may sign up for a court no more than 2 days in advance. Court times will be provided for up to one hour and a half. Provided no one is waiting, players may continue to use the courts after their time is up.
3. Players are allowed a 10-minute grace period in which to begin play. After that time, the court reservation is forfeited. (Note: The 10-minute grace period does NOT extend the playing time).
4. Courts reserved for USTA and other league play are overseen by the tennis pro and all amendments to these reservations must be made through them.
5. Walk-On Reservations: A "walk-on" reservation is non-advance reservation. Any courts not previously reserved are available for "walk-on" use.
6. Courts 1,2,3 may not be reserved in advance and are open for "walk-on" play except when reserved by the tennis pro for clinics, private lessons or league matches.
7. Court 1 is the designated court for ball machine use. When available, this court may be reserved, upon request, by the tennis pro, for ball machine use only.
8. If unable to keep a reservation, a player should cancel the court time so that it may be available to others. Players who consistently sign up for time and do not show up may have court privileges revoked.

LEAGUE/TEAM RULES

1. Avalon members must be provided with an opportunity to join an adult team in any relevant league that they are eligible to join per league rules.
2. Teams must first be composed of association members. If there is remaining space on a team, a captain must submit a request to the board's tennis representative to approve non-member(s) for team play. Individual non-member team play is limited to 1 adult league team per year with a fee of \$20 per year, exceptions to the 1 team limit may be approved by the board in the event that there are not enough member players to field a team at a particular NTRP level. It is the captain's responsibility to collect and remit non-member league fees to the tennis pro. Non-members who are not approved by the board may be removed from the team roster.
3. Former Avalon members are not eligible to join an Avalon USTA team unless they have joined a private club with it's own tennis courts, and that club regularly has USTA teams that play their home matches on their courts.
4. If there are multiple teams in the same league, by agreement of captains, one of the teams may be designated as a competitive team.
5. Captains of non-competitive teams should make an effort to distribute playing opportunities on a fairly equal basis among team members.
6. Tennis balls are not included in the fees for league matches.
7. In the event that a team match is rescheduled due to non-weather related reasons, or reasons otherwise not defined by league rules, a rescheduled court reservation must be requested and approved by the tennis pro. Due to limited court availability, and respect to other ARA members, any reschedules of this nature will be considered a courtesy and are not guaranteed. If the request is not approved due to limited court space, one or

more lines of the match may be forfeited in accordance with league rules.

The ARA Board of Directors reserves the right to amend these rules at any time without advance notice. If changes are made, members will receive appropriate notification via email.