

LIMPSFIELD LAWN TENNIS CLUB

TENNIS SECTION

BYE-LAWS

1. Seniors have priority at all times on any tennis court, apart from the coaching courts and the junior courts, **except**: during Junior Tournaments and Junior club sessions when Juniors have priority on *five* courts only.
2. When all tennis courts are in use:
 - a) Players must vacate after the set in progress if a four is waiting. If more than one four is waiting, they shall take courts in order.
 - b) No singles game may be started if a four is waiting, nor may a single displace a four at the end of a set or, if not playing a set, after ten minutes.
 - c) A senior single may be displaced by a four containing at least two senior members at the end of a set or, if not playing a set, after ten minutes.
 - d) A junior pair must vacate at the end of the set in progress in favour of a pair, which includes a senior member.
 - e) Threes have no standing.
 - f) A tiebreak must be played at 6 games all if a four is waiting.
 - g) **If other courts are free, then no one has the right to displace others due to court surface preference.**
3. Organised club sessions take priority for court allocation.
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 - a) Parents or guardians of young children (members or visitors) must ensure that they are kept under proper control and do not interfere with play.
 - b) Dogs must be kept off the courts at all times.
5. Tennis footwear and dress code:
 - a) Playing surfaces can be damaged by inappropriate footwear. Proper tennis shoes must be worn on all courts; these must be heel-less and any tread or pattern should be flat. Ridge-soled shoes are not acceptable.
 - b) Appropriate tennis clothing must be worn by both senior and junior members. Lycra cycling shorts, rugby/football shirts and leggings are not permitted.
 - c) If appropriate clothing or footwear is not being worn, you may be asked to leave the court.
- 7. Courts 1 to 5 are reserved for junior coaching all day Saturday during term time.**
8. The Manager may reserve such tennis courts as are necessary for club matches, tournaments and other special purposes.
9. Tennis courts may be reserved by members for senior or junior matches in any recognised LTA tournament or league subject to the following limitations:-
 - a) No court may be booked for play at times when club matches, official sessions and tournaments are scheduled.
 - b) Reservations must be so scheduled that only two courts are occupied for play under these arrangements at any one time.
10. The use of mobile phones is forbidden on, or within earshot of, the tennis courts.
11. No chewing gum is allowed on the tennis courts.

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