

DORCHESTER TENNIS & SQUASH CLUB

SQUASH REGULATIONS - Revised 14/01/2012

1. PLAY TIMES

- a) The court will be open for play at 7.00 am each day and will close at 11.00 pm or thereabouts. Play outside these hours will be at the discretion of the Squash Secretary.
- b) Play will be in sessions lasting 45 minutes, starting as follows: 10.00, 10.45, 11.30, 12.15, 1.00, 1.45, 2.30, 3.15, 4.00, 4.45, 5.30, 6.15, 7.00, 7.45, 8.30, 9.15, 10.00 or 9.45 am, 10.30 etc on Court No. 3
- c) **Peak sessions** are as follows: Evenings from 5.30 (5.15 on Court No. 3.) Monday to Friday.

2. SECURITY

- a) All members will be issued with a fob to unlock the front door.
- b) Members are responsible for the security of the courts. On leaving the premises unattended, members must ensure that the entrance door is locked and all lights are turned off.

3. JUNIOR MEMBERS

- a) Junior members shall be in full-time education and those under 18 may not play during the peak sessions with the exception of juniors specifically invited by the committee to compete in the winter leagues.
- b) Junior members may not play with guests, except at the discretion of the Squash Secretary.

4. SENIOR MEMBERS

- a) Full members may play at all times as under 1(b).
- b) Day members may NOT play during peak sessions. (Evenings from 5.30 (5.15 on Court No. 3.) Monday to Friday.)

5. COURT BOOKINGS

- a) Bookings for sessions up to 7 days in advance (8/9 days for weekends) can be made by telephone to the court office between 9.00 and 11.00 am on each week day 01305 268103, on the Internet through the club website – www.dtsc.org.uk , or in person through the booking computer terminal at the club. Bookings strictly on a first come, first served basis. (See separate sheet Fobs and the booking system)
- b) Cancellations may be made on the Internet through the club website, by telephone to the booking clerk or at the computer terminal at the club. A cancellation of two days or more before play WILL NOT incur a let down fee. A cancellation of less than one day before play WILL incur a let down fee unless the court is used.

6. LET DOWN

- a) "Let Downs" will be charged for at the prevailing playing fee rate for the session. The booking member will be charged.

- b) A "Let Down" List will be displayed on the notice board at the end of each month, no other notice will be given. The Club Treasurer will deduct "let down" fees due from credit paid by members for game fees.
- c) Members guilty of persistent "Let Downs" will be reported to the Squash Committee which has the power to discipline.
- d) Members may also make representations to the Squash Committee by writing to the Squash Secretary about any dispute relating to "Let Downs". The Committee's decision is final

7. COURT LIGHTS

- a) All members will be issued with a fob that will be required to operate the court lights.
- b) The member's account must remain in credit at all times. REMEMBER NO CREDIT , NO PLAY.

8. PLAYING, GENERAL CONDUCT AND DAMAGE

- a) Play will be governed by the current rules of the Squash Rackets Association.
- b) Only non-marking balls may be used.
- c) No outside shoes, black soled trainers etc. may be worn on the courts.
- d) Any misconduct must be reported to the Squash Secretary, who has the power to take any disciplinary action he sees fit, prior to representations and/or reports to the Squash Committee, which will decide on such matters.
- e) Any damage to the courts (including changing rooms, fittings etc.) must be reported to the Secretary.

9. CLUB SESSIONS, LEAGUES, MATCHES, COACHING

- a) Friday from 4.45 pm until 7.45 pm is designated as a club session. Members, whatever their ability, will be welcome and it is intended that play will be organised on a casual basis. No bookings will be accepted for club sessions. Saturday from 3.45 pm until 6.15 pm - Team members are welcome
- b) A club league system has been arranged to give senior members the opportunity of friendly competition against members of their own ability. Each league will consist of 5 or 6 players having similar ability, who will play each other once over a six week period, after which promotions and relegations are made before the next period begins. Members playing league games are restricted to the normal booking procedure. Any dispute to be decided by the League Secretary. See notice board for information about joining the Leagues.
- c) Booking arrangements for matches against other clubs take precedence over the normal booking procedure.
- d) Booking arrangements for private coaching are restricted by the normal booking procedure.

10. GUESTS

- a) Guests must be accompanied by a senior member.
- b) Guests are not permitted to play during peak hours.
- c) Members playing with a guest must enter the guests name on the play sheet.
- d) Members are responsible for payment of their guest's fee. THIS FEE WILL BE DEDUCTED FROM THE MEMBER'S ACCOUNT

11. MEMBERSHIP LIST

- a) An up-to-date list will be kept on the notice board and on the members only section of the website.
- b) Checks at the courts on membership can be made at any time by any officer of the Squash Committee.

12. SUBSCRIPTIONS

- a) Annual subscriptions become due to the Subscription Secretary on April 1st.
- b) A member will have deemed to have resigned if he has not paid his annual subscription within one month of it being due.
- c) The Squash Committee will consider new applications for membership according to vacancies occurring under 12(b) as soon as possible after the one month referred to in 12(b) has expired.
- d) Persons treated under 12(b) may re-apply for membership but become eligible to pay a joining fee.
- e) New members elected during the year are entitled to a discount on the annual subscription.

13. REGULATIONS - ADDITIONS AND VARIATIONS ETC.

- a) The Squash Committee controls the Regulations and has the power to alter or vary and add to them.
- b) Members may make representation about the Regulations, in writing, to the Squash Secretary.
- c) The Squash Secretary has the power to make temporary alterations, variations and additions to the Regulations until such time as the Committee decides on such matters.
- d) A copy of the Regulations will be issued to all members, and a copy together with alterations, variations and additions, will be kept on the notice board.