



YOMTC Annual Playing Regulations

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1. General

a. The York Old Mill Tennis Club ("YOMTC" or the "Club") is located in Toronto, south of Catherine Street and East of the Humber River. The Club is governed by a Board of Directors in accordance with the Club's agreement with the Corporation of The City of Toronto and the Club's Constitution.

b. Club members must at all times adhere to the Club's Annual Playing Regulations (the "Regulations") and the Club's Online Booking Rules (the "Booking Rules") and abide by the decisions and directions of the Court Supervisor(s) on duty (the "Court Supervisor").

c. The Court Supervisor is in charge of Club operations and during Club Hours is the final arbiter of all matters relating to Club operations and the implementation or interpretation of the Regulations.

2. Hours

a. Club Hours:

- Spring (Apr. 30 – May 31): 9:00 am – 10:00 pm
- Summer (Jun. 1 – Sept. 28): 8:00 am – 11:00 pm
- Fall (Sept. 29 – Oct. 31): 9:00 am – 10:00 pm

b. Prime-Time Hours:

- Daily: Club opening to noon
- Sunday to Friday: 5pm to Club closing

d. Public Hours:

- Saturdays: 5:00 pm – Club closing
- Statutory Holidays: 2pm – 4pm

3. Playing Time and Membership Playing Privileges

a. Courts are available for playing tennis in accordance with these Regulations for Club members at all times during Club Hours, except for Public Hours.

b. Playing sessions are sixty (60) minutes in duration; the start time for all courts is on the hour. The start and finish of each playing session is governed by the Club online booking system and the Club clock, except in the case of Club-approved tennis instruction or programming and other Club-approved activities such as a junior program, tournaments, team play, round robin play, or social events. Notice of Club-approved activities will be posted on Club bulletin boards and Club website calendar whenever practicable.

c. Club-approved tennis instruction or programming and other Club-approved activities may be one or more hours in duration, at the discretion of the Board of Directors or the Court Supervisor(s) on duty.

At the end of any instruction, programming, or other activity, members may resume normal online sign-up procedure as directed by the Court Supervisor.

d. Persons wishing to play must sign-up via the Club's online booking system. **The names of each player wishing to play must be registered in the online booking system. Non-members and members not registered to play may not be on the court with registered members, unless a guest booking has been properly made. (please see YOMTC Member / Guest Booking Rules)**

e. Any court may be reserved at the request of a member for a member's social event in the discretion of the Court Supervisor, provided the member makes the request to the Court Supervisor on at least one week's notice. If approved by the Court Supervisor, section 3c of these Regulations applies.

f. The use of the courts must cease every evening as per the Club Hours noted in Section 2a.

4. Online Booking and Regulations

The Club uses an online booking system. See the Club's "**YOMTC Member / Guest Booking Rules**" for the full online booking rules.

5. Tennis Attire and Equipment

a. ONLY TENNIS SHOES ARE ALLOWED ON THE COURTS! Any footwear other than tennis shoes is strictly prohibited.

b. TENNIS ATTIRE MUST BE WORN AT ALL TIMES! No exceptions. Men must wear sporting apparel that includes properly fitting tennis shoes, socks, shorts and shirt. Women must wear sporting apparel that includes properly fitting tennis shoes, socks, a tennis skirt or shorts and a sports top.

c. The use of ball hoppers is restricted to courts 3 and 4. However, ball hoppers may be used on courts 1 or 2 if the adjacent court is vacant, thereby allowing for safe uninterrupted play.

c. Club members, guests and non-members must at all times adhere to the Code of Tennis Court Etiquette, as posted on the Club website and/or the club bulletin boards. Any breach of the posted Code of Tennis Court Etiquette constitutes a breach of these Regulations.

d. Members must ensure that the court is left tidy, and that balls, cans, and lids are properly disposed of. All personal belongings must be removed from the court after play has ended.

e. Members shall respect the playing time of other members and will not interrupt members on the court during a playing session unless the members playing have given their express prior consent.

f. Members are encouraged to assist the Court Supervisor in the prompt drying of or leaf removal from the court surface, if required by the Court Supervisor in order for safe play to begin. If a member loses time during a playing session due to court clean up requirements, that member shall automatically be assigned the next playing session.

g. Members may not chew gum on the courts and may not drop chewing gum on the court surfaces. The removal of dried chewing gum damages the court surface.

h. Consumption of alcohol on Club premises is not permitted with the exception of when a liquor permit for a sanctioned event has been secured.

6. Guests

See the Club's "**York Old Mill Tennis Club's Online Booking Rules**" for the full rules regarding Guests once guests are permitted at the Club.

7. Disciplinary Actions and Complaints

a. Any breach of these Regulations may result in the issuing to the breaching member of a breach

letter by the Court Supervisor or by the Board of Directors. Any issued breach letter also constitutes a warning to the breaching member that his or her membership may be suspended or terminated. The breach letter may be considered by the Board of Directors at its first meeting following the breach and may result in a suspension or loss of membership in the discretion of the Board of Directors, provided that the breaching member has received at least five (5) business days' notice of that meeting.

b. In the event a member has received a breach letter and subsequent notice of a meeting of the Board of Directors to consider that breach letter and wishes to dispute any possible suspension or loss of membership, that member shall submit written objections to the Board of Directors and may attend the meeting to make submissions in person or virtually.

c. Upon receipt of a breach letter the breaching member automatically becomes a probationary member. Any member who received a breach letter in the preceding two years may only be re- admitted to Club membership in the discretion of the Board of Directors and then only as a probationary member. If a probationary member breaches these Regulations and is issued a breach letter by the Court Supervisor, that member's playing privileges are automatically suspended pending a review of that breach letter by the Board of Directors at its first meeting following the breach.

d. Any member with a complaint shall communicate that complaint to the Board of Directors in writing by regular mail to the Club's mailing address, by delivery to the Complaint/Compliment Box in the Clubhouse or by email to info@oldmilltennis.com or membership@oldmilltennis.com. The Board of Directors may consider the complaint at its next scheduled meeting following receipt of the complaint. No member shall communicate with any member of the Board of Directors about a complaint in any other way without that Board of Directors member's express prior permission.

e. The Board of Directors shall meet at least once a month during the months of April through October.

8. Operations

a. COURT LIGHTS are the responsibility of the Court Attendant who may turn on the lights if requested by a member and if conditions warrant use of the lights (summertime after 8:00 pm for instance). Only the Court Attendant may turn on the lights.

b. Only chairs approved by the Court Attendant may be used on the courts for reasons of court surface preservation.

c. NET ADJUSTMENTS may only be made by the Court Attendant. Members may request net height measurement and adjustment if required.

d. Courts will be cleaned and cleared of debris by the Court Attendant, as required, utilizing appropriate maintenance equipment in order to maintain a safe, clean playing environment.

e. For the safety of members, any use of the courts must cease if conditions are WET in order to avoid injury. Only when courts are DRY can play resume. Drying rollers will be made available by the Court Attendant.

f. Tennis teaching professionals and other teaching staff shall be appointed expressly by the Board of Directors, and shall be the exclusive tennis teaching professionals of the Club. Any other teaching or coaching is strictly prohibited during Club or Public Hours.

g. Club facilities, including the Clubhouse, are available during Club Hours for use by the members on a reasonable basis as determined by the Court Attendant and in accordance with any provincial or municipal COVID-19 restrictions.

h. Playing season ends October 31st.

9. Regulations

i. These Regulations are subject to change without notice. The Regulations in effect from time to time shall be posted on the Club bulletin boards and/or on the Club website.