

The Villages Golf and Country Club Rules

1.16 TENNIS COURTS.

The tennis courts are available for use by Villages residents and their guests, subject to the following rules:

1. Court Management

The Tennis Club Executive Board is delegated the responsibility for the day-to-day operation of the courts and for making recommendations to The Villages Club Board regarding use of the courts, rules and improvements to the tennis court area.

2. Court Reservations and Authorized Play

A. Procedure for making individual tennis court pre-reservations:

- 1) Residents may reserve any unreserved court by accessing [YourCourts](#) reservations. Your [YourCourts](#) account is set up when you become a tennis club member.
- 2) Reservations are for 1.5 hour playing periods beginning at 7.30 am.
- 3) A court may be reserved no earlier than one week (7 days) and 1 hour prior to play. For example, a Sunday 9:00 am, reservation may be made no earlier than the prior Sunday starting at 8:00 am.
 - a) Any court not reserved in [YourCourts](#) is available for play on a first-come basis.
 - b) A reserved court will be forfeit after 10 minutes if unclaimed, and is then available to any other group ready to play.
 - c) All court reservations scheduled by the Tennis Club shall be recorded in advance in [YourCourts](#) reservations.

B. The Tennis Club Executive Board may pre-reserve Courts 1 – 6 for club activities such as tournaments, Villages Tennis League (VTL), and USTA league play. The pre-reservations for these activities will usually be made on Courts 1 – 3.

C. OPEN PLAY, DROP-IN and SUNDAY SOCIAL play is open to all residents. The Tennis Board will determine the number of courts to be reserved for EACH based on past and current attendance and will direct the court scheduler to block out specific courts during specified play periods.

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3. Court Restrictions

A. Proper tennis shoes and attire are required. Any shoes that leave marks on the court (ie. Black soled shoes) are prohibited.

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- B. Only water is allowed onto the courts.
- C. Glass and other breakable objects are not permitted on the courts.
- D. No wheeled equipment, such as roller blades, roller skates, scooters or model cars, is permitted on the court surface.
- E. No smoking on the courts or in the viewing stands.

4. Ball Machine

The ball machine is the property of the Tennis Club and may only be used on Court 1 by Tennis Club members who have been briefed on its operation and have received a key to access the ball machine. The ball machine is only available on Court 1. Only the Tennis Club's ball machine may be used on the courts.

5. Guest Players

- A. Guest players must be accompanied by a resident.
- B. Guests may not play before 10:30 a.m. on weekends and holidays.

6. Tennis Club Membership

Membership in the Villages Tennis Club is open to all residents. Contact the Membership Chair for more information.

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