



# LEGACY PARK

## Tennis Policies

*Updated  
September 20, 2012*



# LEGACY PARK

## **GENERAL TENNIS RULES AND POLICIES**

### **Hours of Operation**

Tennis courts are open for play daily from 6:00 am until 11:00 pm.

### **Court Use**

Tennis courts are for tennis play only. Absolutely no skateboards, rollerblades, scooters or bicycles are allowed on the courts.

### **Dress Code**

Proper tennis attire is required at all times. Acceptable attire consists of sports shirts, shorts and dresses. Shirts must be worn at all times. Only non-marking court shoes are allowed.

### **Code of Conduct**

Tennis court participants (residents or guests) may be suspended from the courts by the HOA Board for cause. The term “*cause*” includes, but is not limited to, disorderly conduct at the courts and conduct endangering the good order, welfare or character of Legacy Park as determined by the HOA Board at its sole discretion.

### **Court Reservations**

All residents have access (during normal hours of operation) to the tennis courts at all times with the exception of scheduled special events of which the membership will be notified in advance.

Court 1 is a “walk-on” court only and the Tennis Staff shall not give lessons on this court.

Court reservations may be made anytime by going to the online reservation system at [www.reservemycourt.com](http://www.reservemycourt.com). Only Legacy Park residents in good standing will be provided access to the reservation system. Residents will need to sign-up with a user name and password and will receive an access code from the Webmaster in order to access this system.

Courts may be reserved up to 5 days in advance. Residents participating on a LP team may not reserve courts for individual play during a time in which their team is playing a home match. Court times are limited to 2 hours and members are limited to 1 reservation in the prime time period per week. For purposes of this section, prime time period shall be defined as 7 pm to 9 pm Monday through Friday. A court reservation will be cancelled if players have not arrived within 15 minutes after the scheduled court time.

The Tennis Director is responsible for booking courts for all League Play. It is the Tennis Director's responsibility to balance league play bookings with the necessity of leaving courts open for Non-League Play.

### **Tennis Center Guest Policy**

All rules and regulations of the Legacy Park HOA governing amenity use by guests are applicable at the tennis center. Residents are required to keep their guests under supervision at all times and are responsible for the conduct of their guests while on Legacy Park property.

### **Tennis Etiquette**

Proper tennis etiquette starts with respecting the staff, the members, their guests, and the facilities. The following rules are to be followed:

- Please remain quiet while points are in play.
- Children are welcome at the tennis courts but should be supervised at all times so as not to create a hindrance to matches in progress.
- Please respect others by using appropriate language.
- Please do not walk on and/or around a court that is in use. Wait until the point is over and then ask if you may cross the court.

## **Lessons and Instruction**

Legacy Park contracts a staff of tennis professionals for those residents and teams seeking instruction. Lessons may be scheduled by calling one of the Pros. All residents taking lessons must be current on their Legacy Park assessments.

### **Lesson Rates** (as of September, 2012, rates shall not exceed)

Private lesson: (1 or 2 players)	\$48/hr
1/2hr. Private lesson:	\$24/hr
Group/Team Lesson: (3 + players)	\$60/hr
Tennis Drills:	\$10-\$15/hr (varies by session, check schedule)

### **Lesson Scheduling Policy**

We ask that you provide 24 hours' notice if you are unable to attend your lesson in order for other members to utilize that time slot. There is no charge for an initial "no-show" but the lesson fee will be charged for future non-attendance without a 24-hour notification.

## **Lesson Scheduling**

Team matches and team clinic scheduling will be completed prior to season commencement. Court availability is known at least two weeks in advance. Any member requiring a court may check reservemycourt.com online. The tennis staff will schedule all court times for matches and lessons. Residents may not reserve courts during a time in which their team is playing a home match.

## **LEAGUE PLAY**

### **ALTA and USTA League Play**

There are two primary team leagues in Atlanta that Legacy Park Tennis participates in. ALTA (Atlanta Lawn Tennis Association) is played in the spring and fall with mixed doubles playing in the summer and winter. USTA (United States Tennis Association) is played in the summer and winter months with mixed doubles in the fall and spring.

All flex singles and doubles leagues (T2, K-Swiss, League Tennis.com, etc.) are played at the discretion of residents and residents are solely responsible to book their courts in advance online.

During League Play, court 1 and one other court, to be determined by the Tennis Pro, shall remain open and available for use by Legacy Park residents.

**There are no fees for Legacy Park residents that would like to utilize the courts for non League Play.**

**However, residents that choose to play on a team, pay the following fees to the HOA:**

Residents (paid annually)

- Adults: \$40
- Family: \$100
- Juniors: \$25

Guests (paid per season)

- Adults: \$40
- Juniors: \$20

**These fees are due each year and must be paid prior to the first season of play each calendar year. And in the case of guests, are paid in advance each season. Fees are not pro-rated or refundable once the season begins**

Legacy Park HOA allows a maximum of 20% Guests to participate in League play each season. Any exception to 20% Guest policy must be approved by the HOA Board of Directors.

# General Team Guidelines & Policies

## Team Formation

Many dynamics are involved in the formation of teams. It is in everyone's best interest that a balance between social concerns and competitiveness be maintained. Therefore it is the objective and policy of Legacy Park Tennis to maintain a system that creates equal opportunity for all and is as fair and impartial as possible for everyone.

Teams are generally made up of players that are friends. Thus, the social element is sometimes more heavily weighed than the competitive element. We are a neighborhood tennis club after all. Ideally, the objective is for teams to be made up of players of similar levels and abilities so as to also be competitive. This is consistent with the typical makeup of ALTA and USTA teams. Our goal is to always maintain a number of teams at various levels. In maintaining this structure, it also allows for easy movement of a player from one team to another without sacrificing the integrity of the program and helps individuals truly enjoy their team tennis experience.

Player movement will be limited according to the number of players on both the current and new team.

The creation of teams and the number of teams is based upon the player's registration. This helps ensure players and teams are fun, competitive and have optimal match play time. Players registering after the Legacy Park deadline may be added to teams, but match time is NOT guaranteed. This is to not penalize players registering in a timely manner.

## Non-resident "Guest" Policy

In order to ensure that LP residents always have an opportunity to join a team (each season and at the appropriate level) the following policy will govern non-resident participation.

Guests of residents are permitted to play on a Legacy Park team under certain strict guidelines (outlined below). **At no point will a willing resident be denied the opportunity to participate on a Legacy Park tennis team.**

Guests of members are permitted to play under the following conditions:

- All residents of the appropriate level have had an opportunity to join that particular team.
- All fees must be paid in advance of being placed on a roster.
- All teams must submit their roster to the tennis committee two weeks prior to the league deadline for approval.
- Participation of non-residents on a team will be on a season-to-season basis. Reassessment will occur each new season.

Non-resident players are "guests" of Legacy Park. Through participation on a team, they are permitted to use the tennis courts for all home matches during the respective season and participate in team and individual lessons. Any additional usage of the tennis courts must be in the presence of a resident as their guest.

## Team Captain Responsibilities and Guidelines

League tennis is played year round in Atlanta and teams are in constant need of captains and co-captains. It is the policy of Legacy Park to create an equal opportunity for all members to captain a team and experience the rewards of leadership. It is a volunteer position and we respect and thank all those that give back to our community in this manner.

### Only Legacy Park residents may be a captain of a team! Captain Responsibilities

A member cannot be the captain of a team (regardless of the league), for two consecutive seasons. If however, at the end of a captain's term no other team member wishes to assume the role, the previous captain may retain the position. Should this occur the captain should seek approval from the Tennis Committee (in advance) during the team approval process. Any tactics used to knowingly circumvent these rules could result in the suspension of the offending players by the HOA Board.

Captains will determine the amount of play by each player (resident and non-resident) during the season (based on availability) equitably. All players have an equal right to play. Captains should be cognizant of not just playing the strongest players but should rotate players in equally (adjusting for availability).

### Team Registration

It is **mandatory** that the LP Tennis Committee be listed as a designee for ALTA teams. Use the follow ALTA #103-293-456 when registering your team.

By registering your team with ALTA and USTA (as an official team of Legacy Park) you are agreeing to abide by and follow the rules set forth by the HOA Board of Directors (BOD) & Tennis Committee (TC). The follow rules apply to team registration;

1. Team rosters must be submitted to the TC a minimum of 2 weeks prior to the league registration deadline for approval.
2. No team shall be registered without **advance approval** from the HOA BOD & TC. Only when you have received the confirmation letter back from the TC are you free to enter a roster.
3. At no time after the team approval by the HOA BOD & TC may a **non-resident** be added to a roster. It is permissible to add a resident (in good standing with the HOA & TC) provided notice is given to the TC at the time of addition.
4. It is mandatory that ALL members of the team be current with their individual HOA and Tennis Club dues prior to being included on any roster. Should a member be included on a team with past-due dues or fees, they will immediately be suspended from play for the duration of the season in progress or until the dues are brought current.
5. It is the responsibility of the captain to ensure that all procedures of the registration process are followed. Should any captain not follow the HOA/TC team registration/approval process and register a team directly with USTA or ALTA, that team will be suspended from play at the Legacy Park facility for the duration of that season.

### **Team Drills/Lessons (Captain's responsibilities)**

Participation in team lessons/drills is encouraged for all players. Participation helps develop an individual player's skills, learn doubles strategy and build team camaraderie.

All participating team members shall share in the cost of team lessons/drills. It is the responsibility of the captain to coordinate payment. The Captain should talk to their pro and or the Director of Tennis prior to the start of a season to discuss the fees and make payment arrangement.

These same policies apply to junior teams.

### **Legacy Park Sports Code of Ethics Policy**

By participating in League Play, players (resident and non-resident) agree to abide by the *Legacy Park Player's Code of Ethics*. Parents and or guardians of a Junior player agree to abide by the *Legacy Park Parent Code of Ethics*. **Each resident player must sign the policy and submit at the time annual dues are collected. Non-resident players must sign at the time of season registration. (Addendum to this document)**

### **Junior Programs**

Legacy Park has a program for our junior members that is unsurpassed in the area. We will offer classes, programs and events for all ages and levels.

These programs will be run in a fun environment while stressing good sportsmanship. The goal of Legacy Park junior program is to provide a great environment that residents want their children to be part of. The tennis staff will provide an environment to work on strong tennis fundamentals such as stroke production, footwork, shot selection and basic strategy for developing a competitive athlete.

Many different programs and playing opportunities are available for Legacy Park juniors. ALTA team tennis is a league offered during the spring and fall. This places boys and girls on separate teams, competing at the age groups of 10U, 12U, 14U and 18U. USTA team tennis is a league in which boys and girls play on the same team competing at the groups of 8U, 10U, 12U, 14U and 18U during the winter and summer months. Children participating in these leagues need to have attended prior tennis clinics as they must be able to serve, score and have basic rally skills.

Jr. Development for beginners through advanced players will be offered on a weekly basis. There is also a Jr. Academy and Quickstart Program in place. This will be for the serious junior interested in playing tournaments and the ultimate goal of achieving a ranking.

Our goal is for each student to develop not only as a player, but also to develop life skills and serve as a positive presence and role model in the community.



# LEGACY PARK

## Legacy Park Junior Tennis Manager Code of Ethics

*Updated September 2012*

I, as a volunteer junior team manager in Legacy Park, agree to the following:

- I will remember that I am a youth team manager and that this sport is for children and not adults.
- I will lead by example in demonstrating fair play and sportsmanship to all my players and will always treat my players, fellow managers, parents, fans, and officials in a respectful manner.
- I will uphold the authority of officials who are assigned to the sport in which I am involved, and I will assist them in every way to conduct a fair and impartial contest.
- I will do everything I can to provide a safe play situation for my players including working with parents to ensure players receive proper hydration.
- I will treat children of all races, religions, and culture with respect and consideration.
- I will treat each player as an individual remembering that significant differences occur within the same age group.
- I will support a drug-free, alcohol-free, tobacco-free, and profanity-free environment for Legacy Park participants by refraining from their use at all Legacy Park youth sporting events.
- I will be knowledgeable in the rules of tennis, and I will teach these rules to my players.
- I will do my best to organize practices that are fun and challenging for all my players.
- I will strive to use positive techniques of guidance, including positive reinforcement and encouragement, rather than comparison or criticism.
- I understand that as a volunteer for Legacy Park, I may be asked to participate in a background check, including criminal history.
- I understand that any and all of my actions are subject to review by the Legacy Park Home Owner's Association Board of Directors.

I have read the above Code of Ethics and fully agree to abide by and support it as a volunteer for Legacy Park. I understand and agree that the Board of Directors of Legacy Park may relieve me of my duties as a volunteer for violation of the Code of Ethics, or for any other determination that my participation is not in the best interest of Legacy Park and its members and players.

---

Signature

---

Printed Name & Date

---

Address





# LEGACY PARK

## Legacy Park Tennis Player Code of Ethics

*Updated September 2012*

I, as a tennis player at Legacy Park, I agree to do the following:

- Play tennis to have fun.
- Work hard to improve my skills.
- Make every reasonable effort to be at all practices and matches.
- Pay attention to the coaches, managers and officials and be respectful to them.
- Support and encourage my teammates (when allowed by sanctioning organization).
- Always treat opponents and their friends and family with courtesy and respect.
- I will not be verbally or physically abusive to my opponents or the umpires or referees.
- Leave the courts looking as good as, or better than, when I arrived.

I have read the above Code of Ethics and fully agree to abide by and support it as a player in a Legacy Park sports program. I understand and agree that the Board of Directors of Legacy Park may ask me not to participate in the Legacy Park sports program if my behavior is not in the best interest of Legacy Park and its members and players.

---

Signature

---

Printed Name & Date

---

Address



# LEGACY PARK

## Legacy Park Junior Tennis Parents Code of Ethics

*Updated September 2012*

I, as a parent of a Legacy Park tennis player, agree to the following:

- I will remember that I am a parent and that this sport is for children and not adults.
- I understand that the coaches, managers, other parents, and the children are making a commitment of their time and energy and I need to do the same.
- I will make every reasonable effort to have my child at all practices and matches, on time, and if I cannot, I will notify the manager to let them know that my child will be late or will miss a match or practice. I understand my child may not participate fully in matches if they have missed practices.
- I understand that I cannot direct disparaging remarks toward other players, coaches, or spectators. I will help my child learn good sportsmanship and respect for tennis, and will model this behavior while attending matches and practices.
- I understand no one is paid to clean up after me or my child. I will help pick up anything I, or my child, brings to the courts.
- I will do everything I can to provide a safe play situation for the children participating in the program including working with the coaches and managers to ensure proper hydration for the players.
- I will treat children of all races, religions, and culture with respect and consideration.
- I will support a drug-free and profanity-free environment for Legacy Park participants by refraining from their use at all Legacy Park youth sporting events.
- I understand Legacy Park does not provide medical insurance, and I am responsible for any medical costs associated with my child's participation in any Legacy Park sports program.
- I understand that any and all of my actions are subject to review by the Legacy Park Home Owner's Association Board of Directors.

I have read the above Code of Ethics and fully agree to abide by and support it as a parent in a Legacy Park sports program. I understand and agree that the Board of Directors of Legacy Park may ask me not to participate in the Legacy Park sports program if my behavior is not in the best interest of Legacy Park and its members and players.

---

Signature

---

Printed Name & Date

---

Address