



# WINDING CYPRESS HOA TENNIS RULES AND REGULATIONS– REVISED

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## *Eligibility*

All homeowners/occupants may use the tennis courts during such hours as determined by the HOA Board. Court hours are from 8:00am-10:00pm, and maintenance is performed 7am to 8am 3-5 days a week.

## *Court Reservation and Play Time*

1. All reservations must be made with the Activities Director
  - a. For all scheduling issues/conflicts that arise please contact the Activities Director.
  - b. The maximum court time reservation per homeowner is 2 hours per day and 8 hours per week. Time limits (including warm up time) for both open court and reserved courts are two (2) hours per day, per homeowner.
  - c. Reservations must be made at least 3 hours prior to playtime and reservations cannot be made more than 2 weeks in advance except for the league play of Winding Cypress teams.
  - d. Players shall forfeit their reservation if they are more than 10 minutes late from their reservation time.
  - e. Abuse of the tennis court reservations will result in revocation of the ability to reserve courts.
2. Open courts are on a first come first serve basis.
3. When the time limit expires, if no one is waiting, you may continue to play until others arrive.
4. All players are responsible for clean-up after play and brushing the courts and lines.



5. No food or drinks are allowed on the courts except for plastic water bottles or non-breakable containers.
6. Proper attire required. Shirts are always required. Tennis shoes only. Shoes/spikes that may mark or mar the court surface are prohibited.
7. All court cleaning and equipment (i.e., brooms, squeegees etc.) should be stored off the ground and hung from the interior side of the court fence to help keep the equipment in good working condition.
8. Damage to tennis courts and equipment must be reported to the tennis committee or property management immediately for timely repair. Damage to the tennis courts or equipment resulting from inappropriate behavior will be the responsibility of the offender to pay for the repair.
9. Courts will remain shut and always latched. Court gates are not to be propped open.
10. The last player using the courts is responsible for securely closing the court gates.
11. *Observe* the rules of tennis etiquette and good sportsmanship. Inappropriate conduct will NOT be tolerated, and the offending player will be asked to stop participating.
12. All violations of any of the above regulations will result in person(s) being referred to the Compliance Committee for review.
13. Children younger than 12 years of age must always be supervised by an adult.
14. Homeowners/occupants are solely responsible and financially liable for any damages resulting from their guests, tenants, or their own use of the facilities or areas.
15. No play is allowed on the tennis courts when playing surfaces are wet, puddles present or muddy.
16. Any activity, conduct, or action by homeowners/occupants and/or their guests at the Tennis Courts which in any way, at the sole judgement of the Activities Director, or Property Manager, leads to damage to the Tennis Courts and Tennis Court areas, or that may harm anyone or prevent other homeowners/occupants from safely using the Tennis Courts, is prohibited. Violators will be asked to stop the activity, conduct, or action and/or be asked to leave the Tennis Courts at the discretion of the Activities Director and/or Property Manager. The HOA Compliance Committee will have final determination of any punitive action.



## *Tennis Instructors*

- Tennis instructors who are also Winding Cypress homeowners must adhere to the same Court Reservation and Play Time regulations. Their students are treated as “guests.”
- Tennis instructors who are not Winding Cypress residents are permitted to give lessons to Winding Cypress residents and the guests and invitees of such residents on the Winding Cypress premises. Section 6.1 of the Declaration of Covenants states: “The right of an Owner to use and enjoyment of the Common Area and facilities thereon shall extend to the members of his Family who reside with him and to his Tenants, Guests and invitees.”

## *League Play*

1. A current Resident must Captain Teams in Winding Cypress. No tenants or guests are allowed to Captain a team.
2. All Winding Cypress Tennis Teams, either USTA or CTA must have a minimum of 50% of their roster be current residents of Winding Cypress.
3. Home team matches are to be scheduled with the Activities Director at least 3 days before the match.
4. All exceptions to these league guidelines stated in this document must be brought to the tennis committee.

## **BALL MACHINE HOURS OF USAGE AND PROTOCOL**

1. For use by residents only! Owned by Winding Cypress HOA
2. The ball machine may be taken out by members 8:00am-10:00pm.
3. It is to be used in one-hour increments, if no one is waiting for the machine you can continue to use the machine.
4. We recommend that you reserve the ball machine in advance to ensure it is available.
5. The ball machine should be used primarily on courts 3 and 4.



6. The ball machine is kept behind court #2 in the shed. See Activities Director before 4pm to get access.
7. The last one to use machine is responsible to lock all the locked equipment back up securely.
8. The balls will be supplied and replaced when needed by the HOA.
9. You are responsible for taking out and putting away the ball machine when you have finished. Any children under the age of 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

## Important Warnings

1. Do not reach or investigate the ball exit hole without turning the main power off and only after both wheels come to a complete stop.
2. Do not stand closer than 10 meters in front of the ball machine when the power is on.
3. Do not place balls or foreign objects into the ball hopper while the power is on. It could cause a jam and damage the feeder motor.
4. The overloading of balls into the ball hopper may result in a jam of the feeder. It is suggested that no more than 120 balls be put inside the ball hopper.
5. Do not use the machine while it is raining or in the water. Do not use wet tennis balls.
6. The use of the Tennis Courts and the ball machine are at the user's own risk