

Roe Green TC play-rules

(updated April 2023)

Booking a Court

1. Once you have paid your 2023 subs you will get an email confirming your login to the court bookings system.
2. The court booking system will remain in place, accessible via our website or directly via <https://roegreentc.skedda.com/booking>. Members will have been emailed an invite to use the system together with club & membership updates information to.
3. For family memberships, each member 16 years or older can access the booking system on their own email address.
4. The booking system is not actively managed but will be reviewed to ensure that members adhere to the guidelines for use.
5. Bookings can only be made 7 days in advance and not any earlier.
6. There are no personal weekly session or play-time restrictions, but we appeal to member's common sense to ensure everyone has a fair chance of playing at the club. Please refrain from block-booking consecutive sessions or using peak-time hours if you have managed to play during the day and the courts already look busy.
7. Off-peak (weekday daytime 9:00am – 5:00pm, all weekend) a maximum session time of 2hrs applies
8. Peak (weekdays after 5:00pm) a maximum session time of 1.5hrs applies
9. Bookings can now follow on immediately but please make sure you leave the court promptly when your booking time ends.
10. If at the end of your booked session you find that the courts are not booked for a new session, you may continue play up until the next booking. It is your responsibility to check no bookings are immediately following yours at the end of your booked session (requires mobile internet access).

On and around the Courts

11. Members are asked to park their cars on the Community Center or Cricket Club car parks and not in front of the Beesley Green Cottages.
12. Please use both entrances to the courts. When using the Beesley Green entrance, please be mindful when crossing neighbours' drives and if you use the Cricket Club route we have been asked to use the clubhouse veranda rather than the grass in front.

13. Players are requested to please use the appropriate footwear for the courts and the weather conditions at the time of play.
14. Players are requested to ensure that their playing attire is appropriate for tennis and would not cause offence to other members.
15. All gates MUST be closed shut whilst play is taking place. If you enter or leave the court whilst others are playing, please make sure that you close the gate as you do.
16. Players MUST NOT walk across the back of adjacent courts whilst play is taking place. If you need to retrieve a ball, please wait for a break in play. This is for your own safety and the safety of others, as the speed and strength of play varies greatly within our membership.
17. Players endeavour to not leave anything on the court at the end of the session, please remove all water bottles and jackets. Please check the court is clear before you leave and place any rubbish in the bins provided.
18. Last players on court should ensure that the courts are properly locked.

Guest play

19. In a season, a member may bring up to three guests free of charge however an individual non-member can only visit the club a maximum of three times as a guest of any member in the same season
20. Visiting players during league matches are granted temporary club membership for the time of match play

Junior Rules

21. All general rules apply
22. Parents will be held responsible for the conduct of their children whilst using the courts and children will be deemed to be always under their care.
23. The courts and surrounding area must not be used for any activity other than Tennis i.e. no footballs, bicycles etc.
24. Junior members are not permitted to bring guests to the club

Fair Usage

25. To make sure courts are accessible for all members, please do not abuse the system. The intention of the current system is that each member has a fair chance to play our game in a safe and enjoyable way.
26. The committee will review play and booking patterns regularly and tweak the system accordingly. We also reserve the right to temporarily suspend booking and play privileges, terminate membership or even suspend play entirely and lockdown the courts again if members are found to flout these rules.

Coaching

27. Outside the club-organised coaching, the courts are open for individual and small group coaching for club members
28. Coaching can be booked with either our club-affiliated coach (contact Martin Kast) or external coaching providers can be invited to be "guest coaching" RGTC members on member-booked courts.
29. Coaches are required to hold professional insurance (either through LTA accreditation or privately) and must provide details of such together with a risk assessment and contact details for all participants of each session when requested by the club
30. Coaching sessions are permitted to last up to 90 minutes, unless prior agreed to by the club committee
31. Outside of club coaching, no more than 2 courts can be booked for coaching sessions at any one time and no consecutive coaching sessions are permitted to ensure court availability for other members, unless agreed to by the club committee
32. If in doubt, please reach out to the committee to discuss your coaching plans!

The committee will review coaching activity in regard to impact on court availability for other members as well as for excessive court use by coaches, and may alter rules accordingly.

Members proposing to use an external coach on the club courts should also read the RGTC Safeguarding Policy and please ensure that it is adhered to.

Please note that failure to comply with these may result in expulsion from the Club.