



RULES GOVERNING THE USE OF THE WESTVILLE COUNTRY CLUB SQUASH & RACKETBALL FACILITIES

1. USE OF THE COURTS

- 1.1 Access to the courts shall be gained through the doors of the courts and not from the galleries; specifically, no person shall climb up the back wall of the courts in order to gain access to the galleries.
- 1.2 The courts shall not be used for practice or play without the lights of the occupied courts being switched on.

2. SAFETY AT THE SQUASH COURT FACILITIES

- 2.1 Members and their guests are required to behave responsibly when using the squash facilities and not to endanger the safety of themselves or others.
- 2.2 Junior players are required to wear SA Squash approved protective eyewear when playing squash. It is recommended that such eyewear is worn by anyone playing squash. Tournament rules regarding protective eyewear must be followed.
- 2.3 The Westville Country Club Squash & Racketball Section bears no responsibility for injuries incurred while playing squash.

3. DRESS CODE

3.1 ON COURT

- 3.1.1 Squash players shall wear appropriate clothing in accordance with the current guidelines of the World Squash Federation.
- 3.1.2 **ONLY NON-MARKING SHOES** manufactured specifically for SQUASH should be worn. Other shoes may be permitted providing approval has been obtained from the Squash & Racketball Committee. Players are requested wherever possible to change into their shoes at the courts to avoid carrying dirt and grit onto the courts from outside.
- 3.1.3 Men must wear shirts at all times with shorts or track suit trousers.
- 3.1.4 Women to wear suitable tops or shirts, with shorts, skirts or track-suits.

3.2 OFF COURT

- 3.2.1 Shirts (Men) and suitable tops (Women) must be worn at all times in the bar, galleries, braai area and garden.
- 3.2.2 It is acceptable for players to visit the galleries, bar and garden area during and immediately after their match, but due consideration must be given to other members and guests.

3.3 LEAGUE MATCHES

- 3.3.1 When representing the Club, all league players shall wear Westville Country Club clothing approved by the Squash & Racketball Section Committee.

4. COURT RESERVATIONS

- 4.1 Reservations are made by members on-line using Sporty HQ. Guests may book courts at the Squash Club bar when it is open or at the WCC Manager's Office during office hours.
- 4.2 During the following periods (hereinafter referred to as peak periods) the courts may be reserved only by those persons who are members of the Squash & Racketball Section:
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| Monday- Friday | 16.30 to 19.30 |
| Saturday: | 12.30 to 16.00 |
- There are no peak hours on Sundays.**
- 4.3 Guests may book only one hour per day in off-peak periods. Members may book only one hour per day at peak time. Not more than 75% of the courts may be reserved in a block booking for specific purposes at any time except with the approval of the Squash & Racketball Committee.
- 4.4 When a member is to play on any court reserved in a block booking for specific purposes as contemplated in (c) above, he/she may not reserve an extra court in his/her own name.
- 4.5 Members who have reserved courts but who are unable to use them, should cancel the booking on Sporty HQ in good time. Repeated failure to take up reservations by a member renders that member liable to a fine to be imposed at the discretion of the Squash & Racketball Committee. Guests unable to take up their booking will forfeit that booking while repeated failure by a Guest to take up bookings will result in that individual no longer being welcome as a Guest.
- 4.6 A period of play reserved shall be forfeited if a booking is not taken up within ten (10) minutes of the scheduled starting time.

3. TOURNAMENTS, LEAGUE AND SOCIAL MATTERS

Only those persons who are members of the Squash & Racketball Section shall be entitled to represent the Club and participate in the Club squash and racketball tournaments and league.

4. CHALLENGE MATCHES

- 4.1 A ladder challenge may only be made against a player who is one or two places above him/her on the ladder. The challenger must book the court at a time convenient to the player being challenged.

- 4.2 Challenges will only be valid if registered with the Squash & Racketball committee member(s) responsible for league before playing commences. The committee member may refuse to record a challenge which might disrupt the constitution of the league teams, once the league season is under way. Neither player may have more than one challenge registered at the same time.
- 4.3 If the challenged player is elusive, the challenger may, at the discretion of the committee member, offer 3 alternative court bookings. In the event of no show by the challenged player, a walkover may be awarded.
- 4.4 The challenge match must be decided over the best of 5 games, based on the current KwaZulu-Natal Squash league rules for the relevant level of league play.
- 4.5 If the challenge is successful, the challenger shall move to a position immediately above the defeated player on the ladder and may immediately challenge again as set out in 4.1 to 4.4 above.
- 4.6 An unsuccessful challenger may not challenge the same player or any higher ranked player for a period of twenty-one (21) days after the match has been played. If a further challenge is again unsuccessful a period of thirty (30) days must lapse before a further challenge may be made to the same player.
- 4.7 Prospective new league players, or ones returning from a long period of injury may have challenge matches arranged for them by the committee members(s) responsible for league notwithstanding the above rules.

5. CHANGING ROOMS/ SHOWERS/ TOILETS

Changing rooms, showers and toilets are to be left in a neat, tidy and clean condition.

6. MISCELLANEOUS

- 6.1 Any member found abusing the courts or facilities at the Squash & Racketball complex shall, at the committee's discretion, be suspended or have their membership revoked. In this respect members are deemed to be responsible for the behaviour of their guests.

Any guest found abusing the facilities shall be removed and banned from the complex.

- 6.2 No food stuff, drinks *etc.* may be taken onto the courts by anyone.
- 6.3 The use of bicycles, scooters, skateboards or any type of roller-skates is strictly forbidden within the complex.
- 6.4 It shall behove all members of the Squash & Racketball Section to ensure that the rules of the Squash & Racketball Section are adhered to in order to maintain a high standard of behaviour and pleasant playing conditions.

SQUASH COMMITTEE, WESTVILLE COUNTRY CLUB