

Match court allocations policy

The club aims to promote and encourage competitive tennis for adults and juniors, while enabling sufficient opportunity for informal private play for members and individual coaching.

The club enters teams into Surrey League and National League, with matches on the following days:

Competition	Teams	No. of teams	Day	Season
Surrey League	Men	7	Sunday	Winter / Summer
Surrey League	Women	6	Sunday	Winter / Summer
Surrey League	Midweek Women	2	Friday off-peak	Winter / Summer
Surrey League	Men's O55	1	Friday off-peak	Winter / Summer
Surrey League	Mixed	3	Friday evening	Summer only
Surrey	Mixed Knock-Out	2	Friday evening Saturday after 16.30 Sunday	Winter only
National League	Men	1	Sunday	Summer only
National League	Women	1	Sunday	Summer only
National League Junior Team Trophy	Junior	9	Sunday	Winter / Summer

To balance the different demands for play, the following guidance applies for court allocations for league team matches:

Sunday

- A maximum of 4 Surrey League matches, **or**
- 1 National League match and 2 Surrey League matches.
- No more than 2 matches at the same time (either morning or afternoon).
- Surrey League matches may use a maximum of 3 booking slots for 2 courts of the same surface.
- National League matches may book 4 courts of the same surface concurrently for 1 booking slot, then 2 courts for 2 further booking slots. They therefore require use of courts 5-8.

Friday

- A maximum of 2 off-peak matches, with only 1 in the morning or afternoon (they may overlap by 1 booking slot).
- Off-peak matches must finish by 4.00 pm.
- A maximum of one evening match

Saturday

- Matches must be avoided due to the busy social and coaching schedule. If unavoidable, a match may be played from 4.30 pm

Notes

1. Teams should be prepared to play on all surfaces.
2. Per the bookings priorities outlined in the Tennis Management Policy, coaching and private play bookings should move court when requested to accommodate match bookings (e.g. to allow matches on the same surface).

3. League matches have priority. Additional friendly matches must also comply within these guidelines.
4. Each season, the Men's, Women's and Mixed Captains will align the schedule of matches from Surrey and National Leagues to ensure compliance with these guidelines. They will then book all courts for home matches.
5. Team captains should use these dates to arrange matches in the first instance. If the date cannot be agreed with the opposition, they can rearrange and book new courts but ensure compliance with these guidelines. Any exceptions must be agreed with the relevant Captain.

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