## **General Court Rules and Guidelines\***

# **Court Sign-in**

All court use must be by made by reservation. There are no drop-in courts at this time

#### Guests

Members are to register guests, prior to play, at the Pro Shop. Guests must be accompanied by a member unless prior arrangements have been made and approved by the Club Manager. A pay station is located by the Pro Shop door. Guests are allowed one visit per week.

#### **Guest Fees**

\$10.00 per person Prime Time (8:30 a.m.-11 a.m. weekdays, 8:30-12 noon weekends, and lighted courts 6-9:30 p.m., daily)

\$10.00 per person all other times (including non-lighted evening court time in the summer)

\$5.00 Juniors - tennis and/or pool

#### **Ball Machine**

- a. Ball machine use is permitted on court #3.
- b. Court Three is available for ball machine use during the day. At night, there are no advanced reservations, but you can use the machine if no one has reserved the court.
- c. Time limit of 60 mins for ball machine use.
- d. Last person to use the machine should put it back in the shed.
- e. Ball machine should not be used when the court is wet (as it will jam).

### Reservations

- A. Reservations can be made 169 hours in advance (7 days, plus one hour, to the second). Example: if I want to reserve next Tuesday at 11 a.m., I can make that reservation starting at 10 a.m. this Tuesday. At 10:30, I could make a reservation for 11:30 the following week, etc.
- B. Certain very popular reservation times will have Designated Start Times, so that everyone will have an equal opportunity to reserve that court (169 hours before, down to the second). In the mornings, most reservation courts will be blocked to 9-10:30, most weekday evening reservation courts will be 6-7:30. A few courts will be left for more flexible reservation starting times (on the hour, and on the half hour).
- C. Reservations are made online at orindawoodstennis.com.
- D. Same day reservations will now be accepted on the computer. You can look on-line from home, office or phone, see a court is free later, and make that reservation right now. Since it will be immediately posted on the mobile app, people arriving at the Club will see your reservation.

- E. If you come to the Club and take an open reservation court you need to register for that court on the lobby computer, or someone could come along (or from home) and make a reservation for that court, and take your court.
- F. Reservations are for 1 1/2 hour time blocks, starting at 7:00 a.m. (1hr for Ball Machine).
- G. Court reservations are forfeited if you don't show up within 15 minutes of the beginning of the reservation. Players who, after 15 minutes displace the original reservation, have until the end of the original reservation to play.
- H. Each family is allowed TWO active (once you have played one, you may make another) advanced reservations per week (one per evening), from the following 3 categories:
  - 1. prime time, 9 10:30 a.m. (9 12 noon on weekends).
  - 2. prime time lighted courts, 6-9:30 p.m.
  - 3. non-prime time (includes evening courts that are not lighted).

Note: Non-advance (day of play) reservations are unlimited.

- I. Two active reservation on the books at one time. Once you play, you can make another reservation.
- J. Only one reservation per evening per family. Using two reservations for the week on the same evening is prohibited.
- K. Back to back reservations (at 6 p.m. and then again at 7:30 p.m.) for people in the same groups, even if the reservations were made by different people within the groups is prohibited.
- L. Team practices at nighttime on the lighted courts is prohibited.
- M. The person who made the reservation must be present and playing on that court, or the reservation is void.
- N. Half of the players on any given court must be members.

### **Court Availability**

- 1. Courts 1, 3, 6 & 7 may be reserved (2 & 3 for evening play).
- 2. Courts 4 & 5 (formally open courts) are now reservation courts.
- 3. Court 2 may be used by members when not used by the Professional. Court 2 can be reserved on mornings before 10 a.m. if not being used by the pros.

### Pickleball Court Rules (as of 9/15/21)

- 1. Pickleball is restricted to Court One only.
- 2. Court One can still be reserved for tennis during pickleball hours. First come, first serve.
- 3. **Pickleball can be played after 12 noon** (and not during events and clinics that take up most of the Club).
- 4. Pickleball may be reserved on Court One between the hours of 9-12 a.m. if the court is empty, i.e. not reserved, 48 hours or less prior to the time of start of play.
- 5. Club attire and court shoe rules still apply.
- 6. Guest fees and rules apply, pay guest fees at the square payment station in the Club house. \$10.
- 7. Court One is for tennis and pickleball only, not other activities (dog run, skateboarding, etc...just like all the other courts).
- 8. When making a reservation, in the box that says asks for "singles" or "doubles," enter "pickleball." This will allow other people to come at that time to play pickleball as well, as there are four pickleball courts, and up to 16 people can play at a time. A pickleball party!
- 9. To reduce noise, pickleball players are asked to use Green Zone low noise paddles.
- 10. When you are done, please roll the pickleball nets to the side, just like the ball machine on court 3.

\*The above general rules will be adjusted as necessary to accommodate announced activities such as Tournaments, Social Events, League Matches, Programs, etc. that are sponsored by the Club

### **Rules of Play**

- A. Courtesy in play and in the use of the courts is expected of all players according to the TENNIS CODE OF ETHICS, USTA Rules and Regulations.
  - (https://www.usta.com/content/dam/usta/pdfs/2015 Code.pdf)
- B. On all courts, when others are waiting, play will be limited to no more than 1 1/2 hours for singles and doubles.
- C. No pets, toys, baby strollers, bikes, roller skates/blades, skateboards or other objects which could damage surfaces are allowed on the courts.
- D. No glass bottles, food or beverages (other than water or sports beverages in plastic containers) are allowed on the courts.
- E. Pickleball: pickleball is allowed on Court One at Orindawoods (see rules).

### **Programs**

All programs and activities (including league teams and social events) must be approved by the Board of Directors.

#### Attire

Appropriate tennis attire is required. Tennis shoes and shirts are mandatory. No running shoes or black soled shoes will be permitted on the courts. Members are responsible for informing their guests of Club attire requirements.

### **Enforcement of club rules\*:**

The Tennis Staff is responsible for the enforcement of the above rules. The Orindawoods Board of Directors has implemented these rules to insure that its members and guests receive the full benefits of the facility and optimal professionalism of the staff in a safe environment. In an effort to deliver these benefits the following procedures will be followed:

- 1. Staff will call out any rule violations that they observe, and request the violator cease and desist immediately. The staff will clarify the rules for the player if necessary.
- 2. If the player refuses to follow the rule, , they will be asked to leave the Club immediately. If the player refuses to leave the premises when asked, the local authorities will be called in to resolve the issue.
- 3. The incident will be reported by staff to the TAC and Board.
- 4. The Board will decide upon disciplinary action.
- 5. Levels of enforcement:
  - a. First repeat offense: one-month suspension.
  - b. Second repeat offense: membership termination.

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