

# East Wavertree Tennis Club

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## **Code of Practice**

**East Wavertree Lawn Tennis Club (EWLTC)** is fully committed to safeguarding and promoting the well-being of all its members. The club believes that it is important that members, coaches, administrators and parents/guardians associated with the club should always show respect and understanding for the safety and welfare of others. Therefore, members are always encouraged to be open and to share any concerns or complaints that they may have about any aspect of the club with any member of the Tennis Management Committee.

Junior members are expected to abide by the Operating Rules that apply to all members; on top of those rules, there are some additional rules designed specifically for juniors and their parent/guardians:

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## **Junior Members**

1. The tennis courts at EWLTC are generally unsupervised except for organised events. Your parents must always take responsibility for your safety.
  2. Courts will be set aside on Monday evening for Junior play. This is an organised event developed by our coaches.
  3. **Junior coaching programme.** You will be kept informed of the dates of the events and any junior team tennis
  4. **Granting of adult status.** The Management Committee may grant you adult status. If you are granted adult status it will allow you to attend senior practice and to be selected for senior teams.
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## **Parent/Guardians**

1. The tennis courts at EWLTC are generally unsupervised except for organised events. You must take responsibility for the safety of your child(ren) at all times.
2. Never force your child to take part in sport.
3. Support your child's involvement.
4. Encourage your child to learn the rules of tennis and play within them.
5. Allow your child to play in the stage of tennis that is appropriate to them.
6. Purchase balls and rackets that match the stage your child is at.

**7. Encourage Tennis Spirit and Etiquette**

1. Set a good example by recognising fair play and applauding the good performances of all.
2. Publicly accept judgements made by officials. Never argue with officials or representatives of the club's Management Committee in front of your child.
3. Do not communicate with your child or interfere with the on-court helpers and referees during a match.

**8. Encourage Enjoyment over Results**

1. Your first question following any match should be: "Did you enjoy it?" not "Did you win?"
2. Help your child to enjoy their sport
3. Never punish or belittle a child for losing or making mistakes.
4. Discourage unfair play and arguing with officials.
5. Be patient, steady progression is unusual in children; peaks and plateaus are common