

Ockbrook & Borrowash TC - Court Etiquette



- ✓ Talk quietly when standing near tennis courts that are in use.
- ✓ Leave mobile phones off the courts.
- ✓ Never walk behind a court when a point is still in play. Wait until the point is over and then cross as fast as possible.
- ✓ To see who serves first, spin your racket call rough or smooth (the direction of the string tie). If you win the call, the choice is yours. You may serve first, or you may choose to receive first or pick which end of the court you want to start playing on. As a third choice you may make your opponent choose first.
- ✓ When sending balls back to a neighbouring court, send to the back of their court. Never send them back while play is in progress.
- ✓ During social tennis sessions mix equally with the other players attending.
- ✓ Retrieve balls for your partner and your opponent, making sure the server has a regular feed.
- ✓ When serving, have two balls on you.
- ✓ Call your own lines and let your opponent hear the call.
- ✓ Always respect the line calls of your opponent.
- ✓ If there is a disagreement, offer a let. In other words, replay the point, even if it was a second service.
- ✓ Call the score regularly and clearly.
- ✓ Thank your opponent(s) after each game.
- ✓ Always lock the Clubhouse and gates if you are the last player to leave the premises.