

# Abbotts Pond Pool & Tennis Rules 2012

## ABBOTT'S POND POOL RULES

### General Rules

1. The pool is for the private use of Abbott's Pond residents and their guests. (Limit 5 guests per household)
2. All persons using the pool do so at their own risk. The Homeowners Association is not responsible for accidents and injuries.
3. Unpaid residents of Abbott's Pond may not use the pool, playground or tennis courts.
4. No pets, bicycles, skateboards or other vehicles are allowed in the pool area.
5. No food or drinks are allowed within ten (10) feet of the pool.
6. No glass containers of any kind are allowed in the pool area.
7. No smoking
8. Shower before entering pool.
9. No diving, no running, no pushing, no jumping in on others
10. Unnecessary noise or disruptive conduct is not permitted at any time.
11. After using the pool, swimmers must dry off before entering the kitchen area.
12. Pool hours are from 9:00 am to 10:00 pm daily. No loitering in bathrooms or pool area after hours.
13. No unattended children under the age of 13 are allowed.
14. Parents are required to familiarize their children with all pool rules.
15. Any damage to property will be the responsibility of the Abbott's Pond homeowner.
16. Proper swimming attire is required.
17. All children not toilet trained must wear appropriate swim diapers with rubber pants. No regular diapers are allowed in the pool.
18. Dispose of all trash in proper containers.
19. Infraction of any pool rule could result in suspension of pool privileges at the discretion of the Board.
20. No solo swimming
21. In case of emergency please use the emergency 911 phone
- 22. Inappropriate behavior or swimming when the pool is closed should be reported immediately to the Johns Creek Police (911)**
23. Vandalism of Abbotts Pond common properties should be reported to HMS (770.667.0595).

## ACCESS TO POOL AND KITCHEN FACILITIES

1. For security reasons, an access control lock system is installed on the gate to the pool and on the pool bathrooms. Please do not give out your access control card, as all members in good standing (with dues paid) will receive access control card. If you need a replacement access control card, please stop by the HMS offices, **1260 Old Alpharetta Rd, Alpharetta GA 30005**
2. The kitchen and shelter area may be reserved for private parties. Only adults are eligible to make reservations. In signing the rental agreement, the homeowner agrees that he/she and his/her guests will abide by the pool rules and will clean the kitchen and surrounding area immediately following the party. No food should be left in the refrigerator or cabinets. Members who do not comply with the above provisions may be subject to a possible fine to cover cleaning costs, etc.

## ABBOTT'S POND TENNIS RULES

### GENERAL COURT RULES

1. Court hours are 7:00 am to 11:00 pm daily. Players should turn lights off if they are the last to leave the courts.
2. Use of the tennis courts is limited to residents of Abbott's Pond residents and their guests. **Residents who have not paid their dues cannot use the courts.**
3. Proper tennis attire is required at all times. Only rubber-soled tennis shoes are permitted. Playing barefoot or in street, basketball or jogging shoes is prohibited. Shirts are required.
4. No bicycles, Big Wheels, skateboards, roller skates or radio-controlled cars, etc., are allowed on the courts or on the surface adjacent to the courts.
5. All non-players (including children) and players waiting for court times must remain outside the courts. No children in strollers or carriages are allowed on the courts.
6. No gum, food, drinks in glass containers or smoking materials are not permitted on the courts. Dispose of all trash, including smoking materials, in proper containers.
7. Proper tennis etiquette is required at all times. Do not abuse tennis nets, surface or equipment. If any equipment is damaged, please contact the Swim and Tennis Committee or HMS at 770.667.0595.
8. Parents are responsible for their children's awareness of and strict compliance with all rules, including proper etiquette.
9. No pets are allowed on the courts.
10. Abuse or violation of any tennis rules should be reported to the Swim and Tennis Committee for appropriate action or parental referral with possible loss of court privileges for repeat offenses.

## **COURT SIGN-UP RULES**

1. Reservations will be limited to one (1) hour for singles and one and one-half (1½) hours for doubles. Also, a one (1) hour reservation may be used for lessons. Please write "LESSON" next to your name when reserving a court for a lesson. Play may be continued if a reservation is defaulted and no one is waiting to play. Please yield courts promptly.
2. Default time on reservations is ten (10) minutes after scheduled start time. After the ten (10) minute default time, the court will be considered to be open for play by any other member on a first-come, first-served basis.
3. Courts may be reserved for non-league or individual play at or after 7:00 am on the day before play. Failure to comply may result in loss of court. All advance reservations for league play and lessons (league or individual) must be approved through the Swim and Tennis Committee.
4. Children under 16 cannot reserve court times any evening after 6:00 pm, unless playing with an adult. Children may play on an open court (no reservation holding it) after 6:00 pm and are entitled to play until the next reservation.
5. If you do not intend to keep a reservation, please remove your name so someone else can make a reservation for that time.
6. No two consecutive time slots can be reserved by the same member or playing members of his or her party.

## **LEAGUE PLAY**

1. League play and practice schedules must be posted and, therefore, will supersede all reservations and walk-on play. League play will have access 15 minutes before the scheduled start of first matches.
2. When at all possible, an Abbott's Pond league team should be filled by Abbott's Pond residents. If there are insufficient residents to complete a team roster, the team must have a minimum of 51% resident players. No new team will be formed until the existing team is comprised of 90% Abbott's Pond members. Non-resident players will be assessed a charge of \$50.00 per season. Non-resident fees will be collected by the Swim and Tennis Committee Chairperson and submitted to the management company. Notices for new team formation must be posted at the tennis facility prior to the team submission deadline. All resident league members shall not be in arrears of annual dues.
3. Interested residents also may contact the Swim and Tennis Committee Chairperson for information about team formation and membership. Abbott's Pond residents will have priority over non-residents in joining a team. Each team captain must be a resident of Abbott's Pond. Any deviation from these specifications must be reviewed by the Swim and Tennis Committee and approved by the Homeowners Association Board of Directors prior to the beginning of a new season.
4. Captains will be responsible for submitting a copy of their season's roster, their team's playing schedule and any non-resident fees at the Captain's meeting at the start of each season. Captains also will be responsible for giving Abbott's Pond tennis rules to non-residents players. Non-resident players are considered guests and may not reserve Abbott's Ponds tennis courts.
5. All Abbott's Pond league teams are open to any and all Abbott's Pond residents.
6. All new team formation requests or other rule and procedure deviations will be submitted to the Swim and Tennis Committee, and subsequently approved by the Board of Directors.

## 7. League Make-Up Matches

### A. Individual Pairings:

Matches shall not interfere with previously scheduled league practices or matches, and courts should be reserved and posted by the playing member of Captain as if it were a regular reservation. It should be designated as a league make-up match and is to proceed to its conclusion even if it runs over into another reservation.

### B. Team Make-Up Matches:

Team make-up matches shall not be scheduled within previously scheduled league practices or matches. Captains should reserve courts by calling the Swim and Tennis Committee Chairperson and courts will be posted as a "LEAGUE" make-up match. The match should proceed to its conclusion even if it runs into another reservation.

A captain has the privilege of being able to schedule a make-up match as many days in advance as necessary. However, if for some reason a match must be scheduled at the last minute, it is the Captains responsibility to first check court availability before confirming a time with the opposing team. Asking an already-scheduled party to give up their court should be avoided and should only occur in an emergency situation and only if the party agrees to relinquish their court.

**FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THESE PROCEDURES MAY RESULT IN FORFEITURE OF YOUR MATCH.**

8. League team practice or coaching of five (5) or less people will relinquish one (1) court to open play if requested.
9. Host league teams are responsible for leaving tennis courts and clubhouse facilities in a neat and tidy condition. Pool furniture should not be removed from the pool area. All trash is to be bagged, tied for pick-up and placed in the appropriate trash containers. It is the Captain's responsibility to insure that the trash cans on the courts are emptied and that the bathrooms have been left in good order. Please dispose of all smoking materials in the appropriate containers.

## **TENNIS ETIQUETTE**

1. Please wait until play has stopped before crossing behind other players or retrieving a ball. Return balls for other players whenever possible.
2. Upon entering or leaving the courts, please use designated gate for a designated court.
3. AVOID LOUD CONVERSATIONS, ABUSIVE LANGUAGE OR ANY OTHER ACTIONS THAT MAY DISTRACT OTHER PLAYERS. THIS ALSO APPLIES TO NON-PLAYERS IMMEDIATELY OUTSIDE THE FENCE.
4. PLEASE keep small children from wandering around the outside of the courts. No non-players or children are allowed inside the courts.
5. Conserve energy. Turn off the lights when the courts are not in use or upon leaving the courts. Also, close the court gates.
6. No radios or games other than tennis are permitted on the courts.
7. Especially at night, be aware of the noise level that may bother nearby residents.
8. Parents, please spend some time discussing tennis rules with your children.
9. When in doubt about what to do, do what you would want someone to do to you!
10. No racquet throwing.