



SOUTHAMPTON LAWN TENNIS ASSOCIATION

Code of Conduct for Apsley & Winter League Matches

1. Matches should be confirmed before the match day;
 - a. Confirming the start time of the match.
 - b. The number and type of court surfaces available.
 - c. Contact details for any cancellation.
2. Under the League's Rules matches can start earlier or later with the agreement of both clubs and is especially encouraged when involving Apsley matches played at clubs which have less than 4 courts.
(also, in the Apsley League matches can be moved to the Sunday of the same weekend)
3. Matches should be cancelled due to poor weather as late as viably possible (to allow for the most accurate forecast), but considering that the away team should be informed before needing to travel.
4. Teams to be filled & selected in order, also **Pairs are to be played in strength order.**
5. If a full team cannot be fielded for a given fixture, it is possible to play the match with a reduced team.
6. If a full team cannot be fielded for a given fixture, replacement players from the opposing team or Guest players can play in order to allow the full number of matches, but these games to be played at the lowest position(s) in the order of play, i.e. 4th Mixed or 2nd Men's/Ladies' Doubles. It is to be noted that the affected rubbers' results would not however count towards the overall score.
7. Two scorecards must be submitted for every match (via post or email), one from the Home club and one from the Away club (and in the case of the Winter League not in the same envelope, as a precaution of their loss in the post).
8. If a particular match is not played due to one team giving the other a walkover, it is important to note that two scorecards / emails should still be submitted.
9. Providing tea after a match is not an obligation, however, this should always be discussed in advance with the away team.
10. All play to be conducted in a sporting manner, with all disputes resolved in a friendly and polite manner, involving the Team Captains if needed.