

Victory Tennis Club — Rules & Regulations

1) Membership

Purpose: Define who can join and what membership includes.

1.1 Eligibility

- Eligible members: All Victory residents (homeowners and long-term renters).
- Non-residents: May join only with a current member sponsor.
 - Must be escorted by their sponsor member whenever using Victory courts.
 - Must pay a \$5 guest fee each time they play on Victory courts.

1.2 Dues & Term

- Annual dues: \$40 per member.
- Season: October 1 – September 31.
- Dues are due by October 15 each season.
- Anyone joining after April pays a prorated amount of \$20.
- Anyone joining after August pays the full membership fee by October 15 for the upcoming season.
- No refunds will be issued.
- Membership dues cover all balls provided for club-organized play, including drop-ins and Challenge Days, and help pay for social events throughout the year.
- There may be fees for special events, such fee will apply to all who attend and participate.
- Access to the Stack Team App for sign-ups and communications requires active, paid membership status.

1.3 Good Standing

- Maintain current dues, adhere to these rules, and follow court/HOA policies.
- Repeated no-shows or conduct violations may affect eligibility.

1.4 Communications & Data

- Primary channels: Stack Team App, email, and website (victorytennis.org).
- Members consent to receive club notices and to be listed in the private roster (phone hidden by default).

2) Court Etiquette

Purpose: Keep play fair, safe, and friendly.

- Arrive 5–10 minutes early; be ready at start time.
- Use non-marking tennis shoes only.
- Pick up balls after each session; return club balls to the bin.
- Line calls: Give opponent benefit of the doubt; call your side clearly and promptly.
- New balls provided for club-organized sessions (drop-ins, Challenge Day, socials). You must supply your own balls for non-club organized play.
- Keep language respectful; no abuse of partners, opponents, or volunteers.
- Music allowed only with group agreement and low volume.
- Rotate courts and partners as directed by the session lead.
- Time between games/sets: keep changeovers brief (≤ 90 seconds); 2-minute warm-up max for late arrivals.

Equipment

- Court gates should remain closed; no glass on courts.
- Ball machine use per current rules found on the club website; treat it as if it were your own machine. Help maintain longevity by handling with care and returning in the same condition as you found it. If you determine there is something wrong with the machine, please send an email to victorytennisclubaz@gmail.com to report the issue to the leadership team.

3) Code of Conduct

Purpose: Ensure a positive, inclusive environment.

- Be respectful, inclusive, and supportive; no harassment, discrimination, or bullying.
- Follow USTA “Friend at Court” standards for sportsmanship.
- Follow facility/HOA rules at all times.
- Protect member privacy; do not share contact info without permission.
- Volunteers and event leads have authority to make on-site decisions to ensure safety and fairness.

4) Court Usage

- Victory courts are open to all Victory residents and their guests (see “Guest Policy” below). Posted club reservations do not override resident access to courts that are not actively being used.
- For club-organized events, multiple courts may be reserved in advance to allow for flexible participation numbers (above rule still applies).
- 15 minutes after the official start time of any club event, any courts that remain unused are open for play by other Victory residents, regardless of what is shown on the reservation schedule.

5) Scheduling & Play Formats

Purpose: Clarify how sign-ups and sessions work.

4.1 Sign-ups

- Platform: Stack Team App events.
- Close time: 12 hours prior.
- Waitlist (when there is one) auto-fills in order when spots open.
- Cancellation: Cancel in the app as soon as possible. If cancelling less than 12 hours ahead, as a courtesy send a group chat to those on the event list.

4.2 Session Types

- Drop-ins: Social play; rotating partners; balls provided.
- Drills/Clinics/Socials: Per posted event details; fees may apply.
- Challenge Day: Sign-up via a Google Sheets link sent out each week. Players are confirmed in increments of 4; maximum 16 players. Format: sets to 6, no-ad scoring; winners move up, losers move down; ~3 sets time-permitting.
- Court Assignments: Assigned day-of by the event lead.

4.3 Levels & Pairing

- Self-rated USTA levels or club assessment; session leads may adjust pairings for safety and balance.
- “Play-up” allowed when space permits and doesn’t disadvantage others.

6) Guest Policy

Purpose: Welcome guests while prioritizing members.

- Guest Fee:

- VTC guests who are Victory residents: no fee
- Non-resident guests (including non-resident members): \$5 per day (per HOA policy). Resident members are responsible for escorting their guests, paying the guest fee, and ensuring a Victory Fitness waiver has been signed and is on file.

7) Governance & Amendments

- The VTC Leadership Team (officers/committee) administers club operations, finances, scheduling, and enforcement.

- Rules may be amended by the Leadership Team with a 14-day member notice period.

8) Waiver & Acknowledgment

By participating in any VTC activity, you acknowledge that tennis involves inherent risks and agree to participate at your own risk, follow club and facility rules, and release the club, volunteers, and hosts from liability to the extent outlined in the Victory Fitness Waiver. Please check in at the fitness to desk to pay fee and obtain a wrist band to be worn at all times while on grounds.

9) Emergency Equipment

We want to make sure you are aware there is an AED and Emergency Land Line Phone located near the tennis courts. The phone can be found outside of the two restrooms, and the AED is located inside the left restroom (there is an AED sign located above the door). There is also an AED located inside the fitness center.