

GVR Tennis Club  
Policies  
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I. SECTION I – GENERAL

A. Membership

1. A full member has access to the online reservation system, roster of the members and receives full discounts that are made available to GVRTC members.
2. Reservation only GVR member has access to the online reservation system.

B. Financial

1. GVRTC membership and ball machine fees will be reviewed and approved annually by the GVRTC Board.
2. No club donations will be made unless approved by the GVRTC membership and approved by the Board.
3. Budget line items are controlled by the Chair of the respective committee. Any unbudgeted expenditure must be approved by the Board.
4. The Board can approve expenditures up to and including \$2,000. Expenditures over \$2,000 must have GVRTC membership approval.
5. The club books must be reviewed annually or upon change of Treasurer. The Board will appoint an individual, other than the treasurer, to conduct the review and validate the books.
6. The Board shall approve a budget for the next calendar year annually.

C. Email Policy

1. Emails to the GVRTC membership shall only be sent by the Communications person.
2. Emails sent to the GVRTC membership shall only be sent for the following reasons:
  - a) Announce GVRTC meetings.

- b) Announce tournaments or events
- c) Provide GVRTC updates.
- d) Send newsletters electronically.
- e) Notification of GVRTC activities (i.e. ball machine, clinics, leagues, etc.)
- f) Any other items not listed, but requested by a GVRTC member, must be approved by the Board either at their regular meeting or through an email vote.

## II. SECTION II – COURTS

### A. Court Use

- 1. Players who have reserved a court or are playing in an activity with an assigned court are expected to play on that court.
- 2. Courts are forfeited if not in use within 10 minutes of reserved time.
- 3. All tennis players must adhere to the standing GVR policy regarding guest use of tennis courts.
- 4. Tennis courts may not be used by the Pickleball Club unless approved by the Board.

### B. Peak Season

- 1. Peak season rules shall apply November 1 through April 30.

### C. Non-Peak Season

- 1. Non-peak season shall be May 1 through October 31.

### D. Court Scheduling

- 1. The Court Scheduler will schedule all tennis courts.
- 2. GVRTC assigned courts during Peak Season shall be made after 12 noon, except East Center morning drop-in. During non-peak season courts may be assigned anytime.
- 3. Priority courts for leagues during peak season are Desert Hills and West with overflow to East Center.

4. No leagues will be assigned at West during non-peak season. They will be at Desert Hills only with overflow at East Center.
5. Priority for GVRTC reserved play is: GVR tennis classes, GVRTC events, GVRTC team matches, GVRTC recreational/drop-in/organized play, and team practices.
6. One official reserved practice time per week is allowed per team. Teams may schedule practice time once registered, but no sooner than one month prior to season start date. Teams get two practice courts.
7. Teams will be assigned a practice court on a “first come basis.”
8. Teams’ primary match locations are West Center followed by Desert Hills.
9. A GVRTC member may reserve court time slots in his/her name. Only one active reservation per member within a 7 day period is permitted.
10. The online Court Schedule may be accessed 24 hours a day 7 days a week. The current online schedule is available for viewing.

#### E. Court Reservations

1. Time Blocks
  - a) Morning reservations – 90 minutes.
  - b) Afternoon reservations – 30 minute increments, maximum of 90 minutes.
  - c) Ball machine reservations – Concurrent with court reservations in the morning and 30 minute increments up to 90 minutes in the afternoons.
2. Reservations can be made up to 30 minutes before the reservation booking time and may be canceled 90 minutes before a booked reservation.
3. GVRTC will audit its membership for valid GVR membership.
4. The name of the person reserving the court will be displayed without the ability to opt out.

#### F. Unreserved Court (includes ball machine)

1. The court side scanner will show all reservations that exist for that day at all sites.

2. Open time slots are available on first-come-first-served basis, and may be taken no earlier than 10 minutes before the assigned time slot.
3. All players must be in attendance to hold the court.
4. If more than one group is ready to scan in for an open slot at that time, a racquet spin or coin flip should be used to determine which group signs in and uses the court. No priority is given to any player, group or pro.
5. Courts must be relinquished 90 minutes after scan time if others are waiting.

### III. SECTION III – TENNIS PLAY

#### A. GVRTC Recreation Play

1. Recreational players must be GVR members and guests.
2. Recreational leagues are not competitive and do not use ladders or any method of determining rankings.
3. Recreational league players must sign up through the online system or through the captain.
4. Recreational leagues will be open to all GVR members and their guests with guest cards who meet league criteria and who sign up online or contact the league captains.
5. No “invitation only” or “buddy groups” will be assigned reserved court time.
6. No Recreational league captain will arbitrarily limit the number of participants unless the Court Scheduler indicates that no additional courts are available to accommodate play.
7. Recreational league captains have an obligation to play every player each time irrespective of when the player first requested to participate in the league (except those representing less than a full doubles court. If a player wants to be a “sub”, the recreational league captain can then play them as needed.
8. Players will make the determination of his or her playing level, not the League Captain. The USTA rating criteria is used as a guideline.

#### B. GVRTC Organized Play

1. GVRTC organized leagues shall be presented by the team captain to the Board for approval.
2. They are approved on a one season basis by the Board and will use the adopted GVRTC challenge system prior to the beginning of the league. The challenge system may be used by a player to challenge into the league before it starts or by the captain to challenge out a player who has not been able to compete at the designated level.
3. The captain will provide the criteria, the format of play and an outlined process for locating qualified players and league play.
4. Players will include levels not more than two (2) recognized USTA ratings such as 3.5/4.0.
5. A list of players will be provided to the Board and will be verified they all meet the league criteria and are GVR members or guests with a GVR card. New members will be reported to the Board prior to their play.
6. Matches (events) are supported by allowing matches to be assigned in accordance with GVRTC court scheduling policy.
7. Organized league participants are GVR members or guests with a GVR card only.

C. GVRTC Drop-In Play

1. Players must be a GVR member or guest with a GVR card.
2. Drop-In Play has a captain.
3. There is no advance sign up.
4. Players show up and play.

D. Teams

1. Team consists of GVR members only.
2. Team members are required to join the GVRTC.
3. Teams are not controlled by GVRTC or GVR.
4. Courts are provided for matches and practices.
5. Two hours are allotted for matches/events (including warm-up); however matches will be played to conclusion regardless of events scheduled following the match.

6. GVRTC may assign courts for Team matches/events prior to noon during non-peak season; October not before 10:30 am.

E. League Rules

1. League captains are required to request additional (or fewer) courts from the Membership Activities person to reasonably accommodate the number of players requesting to participate.

2. League players must comply with tennis protocol as defined in the USTA handbook to remain eligible to play in GVRTC leagues.

3. The League Captain determines the format of play. Depending on the format of play, League Captains should generally attempt to match players of similar skills on each court.

4. Disputes will be resolved by the Board.

5. Players, League Captains and Team Captains must comply with above or will not be assigned reserved courts.

6. No team matches/events will begin prior to noon during the peak season.

7. The League Captain shall release unused courts by 9 am the day before the league play.

F. GVRTC Challenge System

1. Challenges to join organized leagues will be made prior to start of the league.

2. If it is a multi level league, the challenger plays with like level and gender, to the extent possible, of players on a random draw. In a mixed league it has to be male/female at the same level. Mixed league plays 2 full 8-game pro sets switching partners. Coed and women/men play a round robin of 3 sets, 4 games each set and switch partners. Mixed should have 2 of each gender playing. All players and challenger meet on the regular play day. Those who match level/gender of the challenger draw cards the day of league play.

3. Before challenges out of the league can be used by the Captain, a player must have played at least two (2) times and scores must be kept.

4. Challenge must be with challenger and original players in the league, not with any player who challenged in.

5. You must win 40% of the games played to qualify.
6. Participants have 7 days to complete play with challenger reserving courts and coordinating with the other 3 people from the league.
7. Only one challenge per person allowed for the league period.
8. Results are reported back to the Membership Activities person and the Board President on the form provided. Results must include names of players; scores of each game, date played, location played and be signed by each player.

#### IV. SECTION IV - BALL MACHINE

##### A. Ball Machine Use

1. The ball machine can only be used by members who have paid the annual ball machine fee.
2. The ball machine can be used all day on a reservation basis. Reservations must be made online through the online reservation system.

##### B. Ball Machine Court Reservations

1. One active ball machine reservation per member within a 7 day period is permitted along with one regular court reservation.
2. A ball machine user must scan in regardless of whether they have made a reservation.
3. Reservations for the machine may be in 30 minute increments for three consecutive increments in the afternoons. Before noon, the ball machine will be in 90 minute increments.
4. Members using the ball machine have priority use of the court. If the ball machine is not reserved, the court is open for tennis play.
5. If there is no advance sign up, court is first come, first served. No ball machine priority is given.
6. A ball machine reservation is considered forfeited if not in use by 10 minutes after the reservation start time.