



TENNIS - PLAYING IT SAFE AT SSPRD

SUMMARY

South Suburban Tennis will be strictly enforcing the safety guidelines for the benefit of our patrons and employees. Our goal is to provide a safe and clean environment in conjunction with accommodating the public health orders issued by Tri County Health Department and Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment so that our facilities will be able to remain open. The joint cooperation of both SSPRD and the public will be required to keep us on the courts. Any participants unable to follow the rules and regulations will be asked to leave the facility.

OPENING

Douglas County Courts – May 1st

- Cook Creek Tennis Courts
- Lonesome Pines Tennis Courts
- Lone Tree Tennis Courts

Arapahoe County Courts – Tentatively May 9th

- Arapaho Park
- Littleton Tennis Center
- deKoevend
- Gallup Park
- Harlow Park
- Holly Tennis Center
- Lonesome Pine
- Otero Park
- Charley Emley
- Rusty Sun
- Sheridan Park
- Walnut Hills Elementary

HOURS OF OPERATION

All courts are from sun up to sun down with the following exceptions provided in the various phases for the lighted facilities.

Do not play if you are exhibiting any symptoms of the coronavirus, stay home.

UPDATED PLAYING EXPECTATIONS

PLAYER PREPARATION

1. Wash your hands with soap and water (20 seconds or longer) or use a hand sanitizer soap (bring your own) before going on court.
2. All players are encouraged to wear a facemask (including while playing) at all indoor and outdoor facilities.
3. Bring your own racquet and equipment (water bottle, wristbands, grips, hats and towels). Do not share equipment. Clean and wipe down your equipment frequently.
4. Bring your own water, water refill stations and fountains will not be available.



5. Bring new balls for play if possible.
6. Consider taking precautions such as wearing gloves.
7. If you need to sneeze or cough, do so into a tissue or upper sleeve.
8. Arrive as close as possible to when you need to be on site.
9. Avoid touching gates, fences, benches, etc. if you can.

WHEN PLAYING

1. Individuals who reserve courts will take precedence over walk on guests. Rentals must have written documentation/permit from SSPR in hand in order to show reservation was made.
2. Try to stay at least six feet apart from other players. Do not make physical contact with them (such as shaking hands or a high five).
3. Consider not playing doubles, which could lead to incidental contact and unwanted proximity. If you do play doubles, avoid all incidental contact, NO Bryan Brothers Chest Bumps and NO whispering to each other for strategy in close distance.
4. Avoid touching your face after handling a ball, racquet or other equipment. Wash your hands or use hand sanitizer promptly if you have touched your eyes, nose or mouth.
5. Avoid sharing food, drinks or towels.
6. Use your racquet/foot to pick up the balls and hit them to your opponent. Avoid using your hands to pick up the balls.
7. Stay on your side of the court, avoid changing ends.
8. Remain apart from other players when taking a break.
9. All players should leave the facility immediately after play.

FOR SINGLES USE 4 OR 6 BALLS | FOR DOUBLES USE 8 BALLS IF POSSIBLE

A tennis ball may transmit the virus, as virtually any hard surface can transmit the disease. These are extra precautions you can take to keep safe when playing:

- Open two cans of tennis balls that do not share the same number on the ball or use a different brand.
- Take one set of numbered balls, and have your partner take a set of balls from the other can.
- Proceed with play, making sure to pick up your set of numbered balls only. Should a ball with the other number wind up on your side of the court, do not touch the ball with your hands. Use your racquet head or feet to advance the ball to the other side of the court.

AFTER PLAYING

1. Leave the court within 5-10 minutes of your game ending.
 2. Wash your hand thoroughly or use a hand sanitizer after coming off the court.
 3. Do not use the locker room or changing area. Shower at home.
 4. No extra-curricular or social activity should take place at the facility. No congregation after playing.
 5. All players should leave the facility immediately after play.
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FACILITY OPERATION PROCEDURES

PREPARATION OF FACILITY FOR PATRONS

1. Staff will clean high-touch and high-traffic areas daily at facilities with programming/lessons/private rentals.
2. We encourage frequent washing of hands with soap and water or with personal hand sanitizer.
3. No spectators are allowed on the courts or within 6 feet outside of the courts.
4. No children under 18 allowed in the facility if not participating in an activity.
5. No court benches, cabanas, or bleacher seating will be available to sit on at this juncture.
6. Social distancing of 6 feet or more must be maintained on and off the court. When courts are in use, players must stay in their vehicles, or wait for staff instruction to enter, until the maximum number of players on court is less than 10.

PROGRAMMING PREPARATION

- Teaching Pros will have assigned specific courts, baskets and equipment.
- Tennis balls and equipment will only be handled by the tennis professionals.
- Participants may be assigned a hopper for pick-up or Pro will pick up all balls.
- Staff/Pros will sanitize carts and baskets after each lesson or drill.
- Balls will be sanitized daily.
- Demo racquets will not be allowed at the current time.
- No serving during group lessons/drills unless each player is assigned their own balls.
- Teaching Pros will adhere to social distancing recommendations regardless of activity being taught.
- Court dots will be used to strategically place participants who are not actively playing.
- Teaching Pros will coordinate drills to avoid lines with a reduced number of participants.
- Players must remain on the court during the lesson to limit contact with other patrons.
- Court dividers will remain closed at all times.
- SSPR Programs and Private Lessons by approved contracted Tennis Pro's will take priority over rentals and walk on court usage.

PAYMENT/REGISTRATION/RESERVATION - PROCESSING (Littleton Tennis Center / Indoor)

1. Reservations must be made 24 hours in advance.
2. Credit cards or e-credit payment only at the current time.
3. Email ssprtennis@gmail.com (come with an auto reply that lists a direct phone number for contact back regarding booking and payment via credit card). You can also call 303-798-7515 for a return phone call in booking a court.
4. One payment is required for the entire reservation amount. No split payments
5. Payment must be taken at time of booking.
 - a. *Option 1: leave a phone # for the tennis coordinator to call and take payment via phone*
 - b. *Option 2: create an online system via a class # for online payment*



6. Cancellations are non-refundable.
7. You must have a confirmation or have signed up previously for a lesson to enter the indoor facility.

PAYMENT/REGISTRATION/RESERVATION - PROCESSING (outdoor facilities)

1. Online reservations can be made by visiting www.ssprd.org/tennis
2. Any paying customer will have precedence on the courts to not exceed more than 10 people allowed at a facility at one time. SSPR staff may ask walk on players to leave premises until the paying group(s) maximum number of players/instructors/spectators, including them is less than 10.
3. No more than 10 people allowed at a facility at one time.
4. Lessons/drills by SSPRD Pros take priority over all other player use. Private rentals with SSPRD approval would take next precedence. Walk-on players must depart the courts if the numbers exceed 10 people at the entire facility.
5. Please adhere to all posted signs pertaining to “playing safe” at the facility.
6. Those not adhering to signage may cause the closure of the facility as deemed necessary.