

## TOWN OF BOXFORD

### Tennis and Pickleball

#### COURT USAGE

The courts were built by the Town of Boxford for use by Boxford residents. The courts are open all year, depending upon the weather.

- Please do not play on the courts when they are wet.
- All users (participants and bystanders) shall leave the courts and seek shelter at the first indication of thunder or lightning and remain off the courts until 30 minutes past the last indication of thunder or lightning.
- Players and spectators are always expected to behave in a courteous manner. Arguing, shouting, verbal or physical threats, or any other form of disruptive or intimidating behavior shall not be tolerated. Good sportsmanship is always expected. Please do not disrupt play by walking across the court being used, or by making any unnecessary noise.
- In order to accommodate as many residents as possible, when all courts are in use and others are waiting to play, use of a court must be limited to two hours in total. The court should then be offered to those having waited the longest. If there are people waiting, no court should be tied up by players rallying while awaiting others to complete their group for an unreasonable amount of time. See also COURT SIGNUP below.
- No private instruction or business may utilize these courts for personal gain.
- Players are expected to do their part to keep the courts and sideline areas in good condition and free of debris. Please take your trash and belongings with you when you leave.

#### COURT SIGNUP

The courts are provided freely for the use of all Boxford residents. It is therefore the desire of the Recreation Committee to ensure that there is equal opportunity for court use for all. The Committee recognizes that there are players who enjoy a spontaneous game of tennis or pickleball, and players who prefer to schedule their games in advance.

These guidelines are provided with the intent to promote fairness in meeting both needs.

- Boxford residents can book courts by using Skedda®, an online booking software application and should follow these guidelines:
  - Bookings are made no more than one week in advance.
  - Bookings are made for no more than a maximum of two days per week. Players can still play more than two days per week, but after the maximum of two days per week is reached they play on a first come, first served basis.
  - Bookings are made for a maximum of 2 hours per day.

- By booking a court, the resident is committing to play on that day and time. If the resident cannot play, they must cancel their booking so that someone else can take that time slot.
- If the resident does not show up within 15 minutes after they are scheduled, their booking is considered canceled and the court is now available on a first come, first served basis.
- Courts are available for use in no more than 2-hour increments. However, if no one has booked or is waiting for a court, court use can be extended beyond 2 hours until such time as the court is booked or players are waiting.

## BOOK A COURT

To book a court, go to <https://boxfordcourts.skedda.com/>. Instructions are provided at <https://www.town.boxford.ma.us/recreation-committee>.

## CONTACT

For questions about court usage or policies, email [boxfordcourts@gmail.com](mailto:boxfordcourts@gmail.com).

*Grab a racquet or a paddle and have fun!!!*