

TRANSITION (1) MEMBERSHIP FORM 2018/19

**ALWAYS WEAR NON-MARKING TRAINERS & TENNIS WEAR;
NO FOOTBALL/RUGBY ETC SHORTS / SHIRTS PERMITTED.**

Name (Block Capitals Please)		Date of Birth:	/ /
Gender	Male / Female (delete as appropriate)		
Address including Post Code			
Contact Numbers	Home		
	Mobile		
Email address:			

Please provide contact emergency details in case of an emergency:

Name (please print)	
Relationship to emergency contact	
Contact Numbers	Mobile
	Home

I wish to apply to become a TRANSITION MEMBER (1) and enclose a cheque (**payable to Gidea Park LTC**) / cash for **£180** or have paid via **bank transfer to 309344 17693368**. Please return form to Tom or Carolyn.

Please use the box below to describe any special care needs, dietary requirements, allergies or medical conditions:

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Signed:

Date:

Name: (please print)

By completing this membership form you will be automatically signed up as a British Tennis Member for FREE, and you agree to abide by the Terms & Conditions of the British Tennis Membership (BTM) at www.lta.org.uk/about-the-lta/policies-and-rules/btm-terms--conditions and that the LTA and its directly affiliated bodies can use your personal data, including sensitive personal data that you provide, for purposes of your involvement in British Tennis, and to send you by post, email or SMS information related to those purposes. Being a British Tennis Member will enable you to take advantage of the many benefits offered to BTM including Wimbledon tickets, exclusive news and discounts.

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Username: _____ Password: _____
To be completed by junior club secretary once joined

COURT ETIQUETTE FOR ALL USERS

Tennis etiquette is different from the rules of the game. It covers a broad range of actions and behaviours which are traditionally considered acceptable on and around the tennis court.

Tennis Court Etiquette

- When playing please wear recognised sports clothing (not jeans etc) and most importantly "Tennis Shoes".
This is for two reasons, first, **other shoes mark and damage the courts and second, non tennis shoes do not grip the courts** as well and can cause accidents and avoidable injury if you were to fall or slip
- **Please do not walk behind players** whilst a game or a rally is in progress, this is to avoid distracting other members and most importantly to avoid any potential accidents on court.
- If you are trying to **cross a court please wait at the net for a break in play or until you are invited** to and it is safe to do so.
- If a stray ball comes onto your court don't knock it back immediately, wait until the owners are ready and then hit it to the server's end.
- During play and particularly between games, keep the amount and volume of conversation down to a minimum necessary to play and enjoy your own games. Too much social chatter or debate can be disturbing to those on adjacent courts who came to play tennis.
- Line calls can be a problem and the majority of experienced players use what the Americans call the 'honour system'.
 1. Only call the lines on your side of the net.
 2. Call clearly and firmly what you see and what you honestly believe to be correct.
 3. If you are not absolutely certain or didn't see the ball clearly, the ball was IN and must be given in the opponents favour.
 4. If occasionally you have serious doubts as to your opponents eye-sight, ask politely if they are certain as to the accuracy of their call. If they say that they are, then continue and play the next point.
 5. If you feel your opponent regularly have difficulties making correct calls, start looking for different opponents!
 6. If in social friendly matches there is some doubt over a line call, offer to play the point again rather than cause undue aggravation and time wasting.
- **Do not criticise** your partner or opponent, be positive and offer encouragement instead.
- **Body Language** - tennis can be a frustrating game if you are not getting your serves in or not hitting your shots, but **try to remain upbeat and happy**. Your opponent and/or doubles partner doesn't want to be playing tennis with someone **who is miserable** so cheer up! You are more likely to play better tennis if you are calm, relaxed, focused, and in a positive frame of mind