



Keep the Clay on the Courts!

This is the responsibility of all tennis players

As you may have noticed, there is a lot of clay on the patio area and leading into the car park. This clay should be kept on the courts to avoid it being carried into the clubhouse and, potentially, onto the squash and badminton courts, or into your car and your home. Having more clay on the tennis courts protects them from wear.

Here are a few **Do's** and **Don'ts** and a reminder of how to sweep the courts after use.

Do

- **Brush** your shoes using the on court brushes **every time** you come off court
- **Wash** your shoes in the water bath before moving away from the courts
- Make sure your shoes are clear of clay or take them off before entering the clubhouse
- Set a good example to other members and visitors with your behaviour

Don't

- Forget to clean your shoes as described above
- Walk clay into the clubhouse
- While not on court, clear clay from your shoes by tapping them with your racket

Thank you for your support in keeping the clay where it belongs!

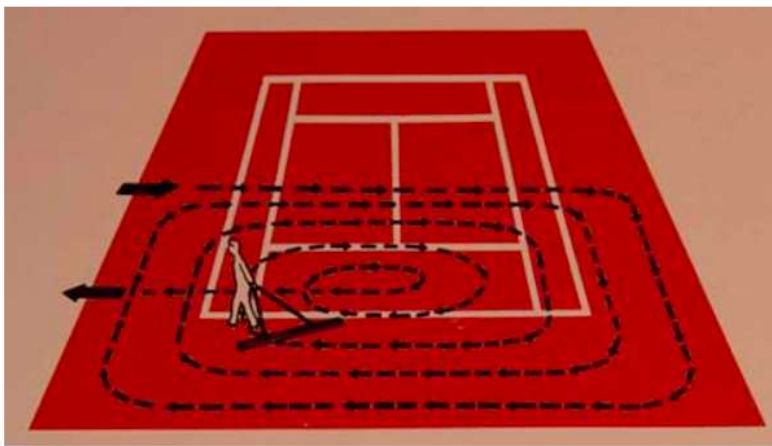
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Reminder on how to sweep the courts

Sweeping the courts after every use will help:

- Maintain a smooth, even playing surface
- Prevent loose clay buildup
- Improve bounce consistency
- Protect the court from wear
- Keep lines clear and visible

Sweeping Instructions



1. Start at the Perimeter

Begin at the outer edge, right up to the fence, to avoid pushing clay off the court.

2. Use a Spiral Pattern

- Start at the outside edge, make sure you go right to the edge and into the corners
- Walk in a slow spiral toward the centre
- Ensure even redistribution of clay

3. Keep the Mat Flat

Maintain full contact with the surface to avoid ridges.

4. Maintain a Steady Pace

Walk slowly and evenly for a smooth finish.

5. Finish at the Net

Lift the mat carefully to avoid leaving a clay ridge.