



# MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

October 1, 2023 – September 30, 2024



I, \_\_\_\_\_, being 18 years of age or older, make application to become a member of the **VICTORIA TENNIS CLUB**. I agree to abide by the Constitution and By-Laws of the Club, as they are and as may subsequently be amended, and to comply with the Code of Conduct, attached hereto. I further agree that, upon acceptance as a member, my name may be published in the member roster provided to Club members and, if required, to Tennis BC.

**SIGNED:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**POSTAL CODE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **E-MAIL ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**TELEPHONE:** Home \_\_\_\_\_ Work \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

**BIRTH DATE (D/M/YY):** \_\_\_\_\_ (may be required by Tennis BC)

**Other Club Memberships (specify):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Recommended by:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Expected MINIMUM LEVEL OF PLAY FOR MEMBERSHIP: 3.0 RATING OR BETTER**

**See page 2 for NTRP Rating Scale. YOUR RATING:** \_\_\_\_\_ Is this self-rating? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Before being accepted into membership, a new applicant will be assessed on their level of play by those they play with / against in Club matches to ensure that, for the comfort of the applicant and enjoyment of all, the applicant meets a minimum skill NTRP level of 3.0. Not all applications are accepted.

**Scan and email to [victennisclub.president@gmail.com](mailto:victennisclub.president@gmail.com)** You will be invited to participate with us one week after which, upon acceptance as a member, we will complete the processing your application.

**If mailing, ENCLOSE 2023 - 2024 MEMBERSHIP FEE OF \$60.00.** Otherwise bring your cheque / cash with you the first time you play with the Club. We cannot, at present, accept e-transfers.

**Make Cheque Payable to the Victoria Tennis Club.**

*Payment will not be processed until the applicant has been accepted as a member.*

**RETURN TO:**

Mr. Brooke Phemister, President, Victoria Tennis Club  
202 - 3010 Washington Ave., Victoria, BC V9A 1P6

For more information contact: E-mail: [victennisclub.info@gmail.com](mailto:victennisclub.info@gmail.com) <https://clubspark.ca/VictoriaTennisClub/>

**Received by:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PAID BY: CASH  CHEQUE**



## **Code of Conduct**

Members and guests of the Victoria Tennis Club (VTC) have a duty and obligation to conduct themselves in a sportsmanlike manner consistent with good taste, good manners and established conduct of tennis play. Further, in signing up to participate in an event(s), each member has a responsibility to other members to fulfill their commitment to participate in such event.

### **A member of the VTC agrees to the following:**

As a participant in any game(s), tournament(s), or event(s) I agree to conduct myself in a courteous and respectful manner, both on and off the court. I agree that I will:

Article 1: Neither taunt nor degrade my opponents or partner.

Article 2: Avoid bodily contact that may cause injury to others or myself.

Article 3: Never direct abusive or profane language at my opponents or partner.

Article 4: Not commit any act or make any comment that could be considered as unsportsmanlike conduct.

Article 5: Not incite or try to incite any opponents, partners or spectators by words, actions, or physical confrontation.

Article 6: Not use language that will, in any manner, refer to or reflect on opponents, partners or spectators. Racist, sexist, or hateful comments will not be tolerated.

Article 7: Arrive at the courts at least five minutes in advance of the scheduled starting time for warm-up /play to begin.

Article 8: Commit to playing for the duration of the event(s) for which I have signed up, notwithstanding injuries or the stoppage of play by the organizer as may be deemed necessary for the safety and/or well-being of members.

Article 9: With the exception of emergencies and injuries, provide a minimum of 48 hours notice if I am unable to participate in an event for which I have signed up.

Article 10: Make every attempt to get a substitute player should I not be able to provide at least 48 hours notice of not being able to participate in an event for which I have signed up.

Any violation of the Code of Conduct may be referred to the VTC Board for consideration of disciplinary action. The Board has the authority to suspend or expel any member whose conduct, inclusive of “no-shows” and late cancellations, shall have been determined by the Directors to be improper, unbecoming, or likely to endanger the interest or reputation of the Club.

No member shall be expelled without being notified of the charge or complaint and without first being given an opportunity to be heard by the Directors at a meeting called for that purpose.

Should this occur, the player or players will be invited to discuss the incident before any discipline is imposed. If witnesses are available, they may be interviewed and if documents are available, they may be reviewed. A warning may be issued, a limited or full suspension may be imposed, or the Board may expel a member from the VTC.

A decision of the VTC Board is final. No refund of the annual membership fee, or portion thereof, will be given to a suspended or expelled member.

Applicant to initial to acknowledge understanding of and agreement to the above Code of Conduct.

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**Applicant's Initials.**

# NTRP TENNIS SELF-RATING GUIDE \*

Tennis Canada's "Play Tennis" Self-Rating Guide will help you: to establish your own general level of tennis ability, to find players of a similar level so that you can have competitive games and to participate in group lessons or league play with players of similar ability.

## BEGINNING LEVEL

- 2.0 Can get the ball into play but lacks control. Can serve, but often double faults.
- 2.5 Can rally consistently, especially on the forehand. Inconsistent 1<sup>st</sup> serve, but steady 2<sup>nd</sup> serve.

## INTERMEDIATE LEVEL

- 3.0 Can rally on forehand and backhand. Can control return of serve, beginning to volley consistently, can lob and smash balls of moderate pace. Improved 1<sup>st</sup> serve to over 50%.
- 3.5 Able to move the opponent around the court or hit harder when receiving easier balls. Can execute approach shots with some consistency.
- 4.0 Able to develop points with some consistency by using a reliable combination of shots. On moderately paced serves, can construct the point through hitting a good shot or exploiting an opponent's weakness but is still erratic with spin or fast serves. Can poach weak shots, put away easy overheads, can vary speed and direction of serves.

## ADVANCED LEVEL

- 4.5 Can use a variety of spins and beginning to develop a dominant shot or good steadiness. Can defend consistently off return of serves; can serve and volley particularly in doubles. Has an aggressive 1<sup>st</sup> serve and seldom double faults.
- 5.0 Able to maintain a consistent rally on faster balls. Very steady strokes and has a dominant shot. Can overhead from almost any position; 1<sup>st</sup> serve can win points outright and 2<sup>nd</sup> serve can prevent the opponent from attacking.
- 5.5 This player has developed a game style which is recognizable – an all court player, an aggressive baseliner, retriever...Has good anticipation either technically or tactically. Has no major weaknesses and can counter attack.
- 6.0, 6.5 & 7.0 These players will generally not need a rating. Rankings or past rankings will speak for themselves. Has had intensive training for national tournament competition. The 6.5 player has extensive international experience. The 7.0 is a world class professional tennis player.

\* Excerpted from Tennis Canada's "Play Tennis" Self-Rating Guide. A detailed and more complete version of the Guide is available at [www.sitatennis.ca/self\\_rating\\_guide.shtml](http://www.sitatennis.ca/self_rating_guide.shtml).

**Remember, there is no substitute for match results as a measure of playing ability.**

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**Members are expected to be familiar with, at a minimum, general strategies and positioning for doubles tennis as the majority of the Club's matches are doubles play.**