

Your Guide to Maintaining Your Grass Tennis Court

We can help treat and maintain your grass tennis court health but there is ongoing maintenance which must be carried out for your court to look it's absolute best and will need plenty of commitment from you!

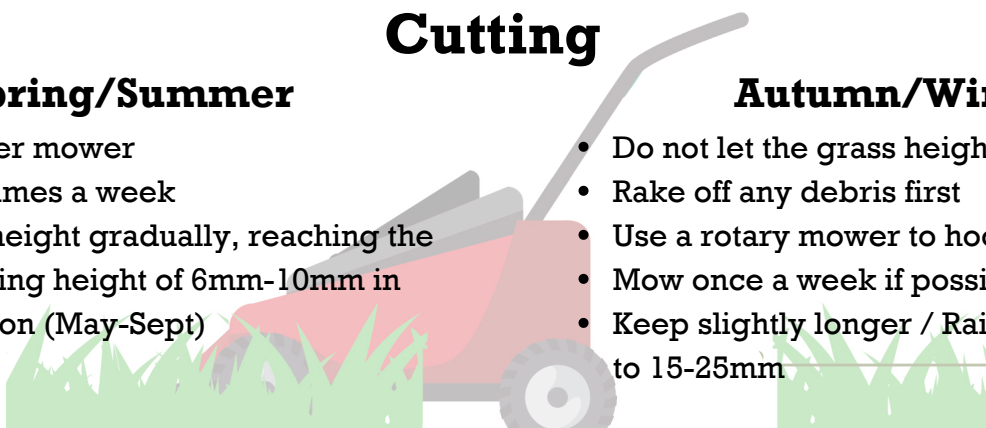
Cutting

Spring/Summer

- Use a cylinder mower
- Mow 2 or 3 times a week
- Reduce the height gradually, reaching the optimal playing height of 6mm-10mm in playing season (May-Sept)

Autumn/Winter

- Do not let the grass height get too long
- Rake off any debris first
- Use a rotary mower to hoover any debris
- Mow once a week if possible
- Keep slightly longer / Raise cutting height to 15-25mm



General rules:

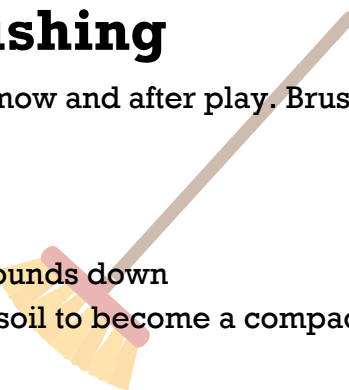
- Don't cut when it is wet
- Get your mower serviced yearly and make sure blades are sharpened
- Alternate direction of cuts each time you mow

Brushing

This should be part of your routine, before you mow and after play. Brushing helps to stand up any lateral grasses before a cut.

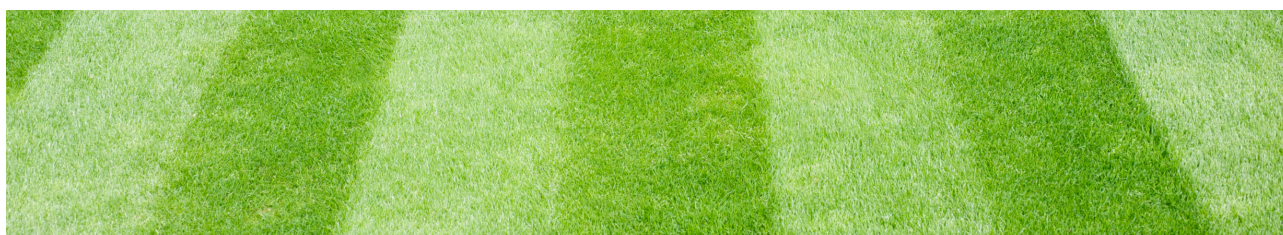
Worm Casts:

- Brush weekly or fortnightly to keep these mounds down
- Do not mow over them as this will cause the soil to become a compact mound which will be harder to get rid of



Rolling

A grass tennis court needs to be firm and solid ground, unlike a normal lawn. We recommend rolling once a week for optimal results. You should only carry out rolling when your grass is dry. Keep to straight lines up and down the length of the court to get the ultimate striped effect.



Line Marking

Not the easiest of jobs, but with the right tools and our guidance you can achieve great results.

We suggest you use markers to measure out, be very particular with this bit, check your measurements twice, or even three times to be accurate. You need something which will allow you to mark out straight lines, a spray can line marker like the one in the image (on the left) does a good job if you don't have a transfer wheel machine (on the right). You will have to re-mark the lines weekly/fortnightly so, only need to do the first mark out in May.



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Watering

Water through dry periods, this will help keep your lawn growing strong and healthy throughout the tennis season. It's best to saturate the lawn every few days than to lightly dampen everyday, this encourages deep root growth whilst allowing the court surface to dry and achieve a good bounce.

Always give the court a drink after play to help it recover and maintain appearance through the playing season.



Remember your court is living and breathing, if you take care of it, you will be rewarded with stronger, greener and healthier grass.

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