

Constitution of Club Tennis

Article I ---- Name

The name of this organization shall be called Club Tennis.

Article II --- Purpose

The purpose of this organization shall give tennis players at Lafayette College, aside from the varsity players, an opportunity to play tennis with and against other students in an organized group. Players of all abilities shall have this opportunity. This organization shall also play matches against other college club tennis teams, who are both members and non-members of the USTA Collegiate Tennis League, Middle States Division.

Article III ---- Membership

- 1) Membership in this organization complies with Lafayette College's non-discrimination policy
- 2) Members must be students of Lafayette College
- 3) Membership shall be retained until the student severs relations with Lafayette College whether by graduation, leave of absence, voluntary or involuntary separation from the College. Membership will be retained during the vacation and recesses of the College; however, per College policy, if a student is on an official leave from the College due to suspension or an involuntary separation, they are not permitted to participate in the organization.
- 4) All members must register via the <http://dosportseasy.com/lafayetteclubs/> web site.
- 5) In order to retain membership, one must remain active with the organization (attending at least three events per semester).

Article VI ---- Officers

- 1) The titles given to the officers of this organization shall be president, vice president, secretary and treasurer. The president shall be in charge of running the organization, setting up the practices, and scheduling matches. The vice president shall be in charge of reserving the tennis courts and athletic vans for away matches. Should the president be absent from a meeting, the vice president will assume his/her duties. The Vice President holds the duty of maintaining safety during practices and matches. They will hold any important documents and information for the team to all practices and matches to ensure if there is any problem, we are prepared. The secretary must record and file all information, as well as notify all members of meeting times and places. The treasurer shall be in charge of all monetary dealings, including drawing up a budget as well as talking with Student Government.
- 2) All officers shall be registered undergraduates in Lafayette College who are in good academic standing
- 3) Officers can be impeached by a 2/3 vote of the club in the event of failure to complete duties as outlined above. The VP will serve as the primary safety officer for the club.

Article V ---- Elections

All officers of this organization will be elected by a majority vote of active club members. Elections shall be held at the end of the spring semester, in the beginning of May. Newly elected officers will assume their responsibilities in August, at the beginning of the following fall semester.

Article VI ---- Meetings

This organization shall meet 2–3 times per week for the months of August through November, and March through May. In addition, there will be 2-3 indoor practices from late February through early March. The number of meetings throughout any given semester may be subject to inclement weather and/or tennis court availability. The president will chair these practices, and when absent, the vice president will chair. So long as 2 members are in attendance, practices will take place.

Article VII ---

Amendments

Amendments may be added to this constitution by a 2/3 majority vote of the active members of the organization.

Article VIII– Risk Management

Section I: Injuries

At least 2 officers will be certified in CPR and at least 2 officers will participate in the first aid training session each year. At club events, only official tennis rules will be followed (i.e. no horseplay) to minimize injuries.

Section II: Finances

The officers will discuss the club's financial outlook at least once a semester. Each spring, a budget will be submitted to student government.

Section III: Hazing

Lafayette College and Pennsylvania State Law requires that no student participates in and that no student organization allows any of its new members, members, or others to participate in any pre-membership ceremony or practice that involves mental or physical exhaustion or abuse, or in any way interferes with the students' mental or physical ability to perform their work at Lafayette College. These rites must not reflect unfavorably upon either the group or the College or be of a dangerous, rude, or demeaning nature. The President is responsible for ensuring that members understand this policy and that (1) members will be held responsible for violations of this policy and (2) the student organization itself may be face charges for violating this policy. For a more comprehensive list of examples of hazing, refer to the Student Handbook.* This organization will not allow any hazing activities. Lack of participation in any event outside of normal practices will not affect membership status or eligibility to attend tournaments.