

**SUN CITY CENTER COMPETITIVE TENNIS CLUB (CTC)
BY-LAWS – November 2020**

ARTICLE 1-MISSION STATEMENT

- 1. To promote healthy, enjoyable, competitive tennis for all interested Sun City Center (SCC) men and women.**
- 2. To promote tennis as a life-long sport.**
- 3. To promote SCC as a great place to retire throughout Hillsborough County**

ARTICLE 2 – ACTIVITIES

- 1. This club, the Competitive Tennis Club, hereafter referred to as CTC, will provide and promote healthy individual and team development through the following activities within Sun City Center and throughout Hillsborough County.**
 - a. Participation in USTA (United States Tennis Association) leagues**
 - b. Participation in A.L.O.T. (A League Of Our Own Tennis) leagues**
 - c. Development and participation in various competitive scrimmages with various opponents' leagues.**
 - d. Participation in various other competitive leagues as determined feasible by the CTC's Executive Committee**
- 2. The CTC will adhere to the Community Association (CA) rules and procedures.**

ARTICLE 3 – MEMBERSHIP AND DUES

- 1. Membership in the CTC shall consist of residents of SCC who are members in good standing of both the SCC-CA and the Tennis Association (TA).**
- 2. CTC is limited to those who qualify for the existing competitive teams (for example USTA ratings levels – 3.0, 3.5, 4.0 and beyond).**
- 3. Every effort will be made by the League Captains to provide each member as much play time as possible during a season either on a full time or substitute basis with full time members having priority. Full time players as listed on the permanent player roster must play a minimum of 50% of scheduled matches each session. If for any reason, a full time player is unable to fulfill their commitment, the team captain or representative must submit to the CTC Board a request for an exception. The CTC Board will rule on each request.**
- 4. Non-CA and TA players may be used as substitutes during a CTC match as often as deemed necessary when CTC members are unable to fill those positions. These substitutes will be provided by the sub list verified by the league, ie ALOT or USTA.**
- 5. If the same non-CA and TA player is used as a sub on home courts more than once a month that player must be approved by a CTC Board member no less than 24 hours prior to the match.**
- 6. The Executive Board, on a yearly basis, will establish General Membership Dues. Players on all CTC teams must be members in good standing. The CTC Dues are in addition to the amount charged for USTA and ALOT Leagues.**

ARTICLE 4 – MEMBERSHIP DISCIPLINE / REMOVAL

- 1. The following process must be pursued to accomplish the discipline / removal of a member.**
 - a. A signed letter must be submitted to the Executive Board stating the reasons for the discipline / removal of a member.**
 - b. The letter must be endorsed and signed by at least two other members of the CTC.**
 - c. A member of the CTC may be removed from membership for cause by a majority vote of the members present at a duly constituted meeting of the CTC. The member under consideration for removal must be notified of the time, place and purpose of the meeting and must be allowed time to present an appeal to the members present prior to the vote. A removed member of the CTC may, within 30 days of the removal, request an appeal hearing to the CTC Executive Committee for reinstatement of membership.**
 - d. After one year from the date of removal, the removed member may apply, by letter, to the Executive Committee for reinstatement. If approved by the majority of the members present at a duly constituted meeting of the Club reinstatement shall be as a new member.**

ARTICLE 5 – MEETINGS

- 1. The CTC shall meet twice yearly or as deemed necessary by the Board.**
- 2. The meeting may include the following:**
 - a. Presentation of the candidates for Executive Board openings. This can be done by a Nominating Committee or from the floor.**
 - b. Election will be by secret ballot when more than one candidate is nominated for positions.**
 - c. When ballots are used, votes will be tabulated and new Board Members announced.**
 - d. Discussion of the schedules for the upcoming CTC season**
 - e. The QUORUM at any CTC General Meeting is defined as 15% of the current CTC membership. This is a requirement in order to conduct Club business.**
- 3. The Executive Committee will meet when the President or other Board Members deem it necessary.**

ARTICLE 6 – AMENDMENTS OF BYLAWS

- 1. Amendments may be considered at any CTC General Meeting when the following occurs:**
 - a. The amendment is endorsed by a majority vote of the Executive Committee OR**
 - b. The amendment is endorsed by 10 members of the CTC and submitted to the Executive Committee at least six weeks prior to the General Meeting.**
 - c. The Secretary will distribute the amendment to CTC members either by or in combination with a general meeting, email or mail within 10-14 days prior to a vote. Copies will also be available at the meeting.**
- 2. Amendments to the Bylaws require a majority vote of the members in favor either through or in combination of a general meeting, email or proxy.**

ARTICLE 7 – EXECUTIVE BOARD

- 1. The Executive Board will consist of five (5) members who serve for two years each on a rotating basis. Terms are staggered allowing 2-3 new Board Members per year. A Board Member shall not serve more than two consecutive elected terms. Two years must elapse before such a person is again eligible to serve as a Board Member.**
 - a. President – presides at General Membership Meetings and may represent the CTC at various meetings**
 - b. Vice-President – assists the president and performs the duties of the president in her absence**
 - c. Secretary – keeps records at membership meetings and Executive Board meetings. Maintains the CA number, name, address, phone number and email addresses of the membership.**
 - d. Treasurer – maintains the finances, collects annual dues, deposits funds and disburses funds as appropriated. Submits to an annual audit.**
 - e. Advisor/Liaison - serves as a general consultant to the Executive Board and liaison with the TA and CA. This position may be filled by the previous President.**

- 2. A vacancy on the Executive Board can be filled by a member in good standing with the majority vote of the Executive Board.**