

Jefferson City Area YMCA Tennis Ball Machine Use and Fee Policy

Our Playmate Grand Slam Tennis Ball Machine has seen a lot of wear and tear over the years. The main purpose of having this machine is to help develop our youth tennis programs by allowing our kids to learn proper fundamentals through repetition. We have allowed others to use the machine as an added benefit to their membership.

In order to help cover costs of repair and maintenance and to prevent the misuse of the machine, we will no longer allow the use of the Tennis Ball Machine for free nor will it be open for use by anyone and everyone. We want to continue to offer the use of the ball machine for a nominal fee to those who know how to properly use it.

Ball Machine Rental Fee and Regulations:

1. The Ball Machine rental fee is \$5.00 per hour and must be reserved in advance through the Welcome Desk Associate in person or by calling 573-761-9530.
2. Only those who are currently enrolled in paid tennis programs will have the ability to rent the Tennis Ball Machine.
3. Rental times begin daily at 4:30 AM on weekdays and 6:00 AM on weekends, and rental times must end by 8:45 PM on weekdays and by 5:45 PM on weekends.
4. The ball machine may be reserved for a maximum of one hour per person per day.
5. Tennis balls are available for the ball machine in one of the carts in the tennis closet.
6. An adult 18 years or older must be on the court during a rental for junior and youth players.
7. Users must check-in at the Welcome Desk, pay for the rental (unless previously paid), and pick up the ball machine key.
8. When finished, the ball machine must be returned to its original location and locked, all balls picked up and returned to the cart, and the key returned to the Welcome Desk Associate.
9. For any additional information please contact the Tennis Pro John Steinmeyer at jsteinmeyer@jcymca.org or the Sports and Wellness Director Luke Lamb at llamb@jcymca.org.