

DecoTurf Maintenance Recommendations

- 1. *Keep the court free from foreign matter* regularly sweep or blow leaves, dirt and other refuse from the court. Things such as dirt, leaves, bird droppings and pine needles can lead to premature deterioration of your tennis court surface.
- 2. Clean the court frequently- We recommend you give your court a thorough cleaning once per month. For mold, mildew or other stains we recommend a mild household detergent, such dish detergent. For tougher stains, we recommend TSP (tri-sodium phosphate), a cleaner which should be available at most local hardware stores. Be sure not to use any cleaner with abrasives, as they may mar the finish. For truly stubborn stains, clean with a diluted household bleach solution (4 parts water- 1 part bleach). Be sure to rinse the area thoroughly after cleaning!
- 3. *Beware of water* After cleaning the court, take care to dry the surface thoroughly before playing. Do not allow water to puddle. You should also be careful not to over-irrigate around the edges of your court.
- 4. *Use the right equipment-* A soft nylon or hair-type broom can be used for sweeping and scrubbing. Beware that scrubbing too hard can damage the surface. Connect a water broom to a standard garden hose for hard to clean areas. DO NOT use a power washer, unless you can run it under 1000 psi.

