

Supervision of Children Policy

At AOSLTC children under the age of 13 are always under the supervision of a responsible adult (over the age of 18) when at the Club. They should not be left unattended in the Clubhouse or grounds unless they are attending a supervised activity organised by the club.

- All children under 13 must be brought to the club and collected by a responsible adult.
- If they are involved in a coaching session you may leave them for the duration of their coaching session.
- If they are playing in friendly match play at least one parent must stay on site (mutually agreed between the parents).
- The Head Coach and/or any other coach or committee member will be within their rights to ask any unsupervised children to return home.

AOSLTC ensures that children are supervised during coaching and other club sessions. We adhere to LTA recommended coach:player ratios. Group size can increase if assistants are used.

ACTIVITY	RECOMMENDED MAX RATIO (Coach:Player)	SPACE	CONSIDERATIONS
TOTS (3-4 years)	1:12	Flexible – not necessarily on tennis courts	Assumption parents are providing on court support. 1:4 with no parental support
U10 Coaching	1:10	Relevant size tennis court/space for stage	Group size can increase using assistants
11-17 Coaching	1:12	2-6 players per court is optimal Some sessions can exceed this (e.g. cardio tennis)	Group size can increase using assistants
Adult Coaching	1:12	2-6 players per court is optimal Some sessions can exceed this (e.g. cardio tennis)	Group size can increase using assistants
Taster & Intro Sessions / Schools / Camps / Open Days	1:16	Flexible – not necessarily on tennis courts	Group size can increase using assistants

Supervision of children will not be compromised in the event of an emergency. In situations where a child has to leave a coaching session for any reason the child will continue to be supervised. When it is a visit to the toilet the supervisor will remain outside in the corridor.

See also:]

Use of Changing Rooms Policy

Transportation of Children Policy