Platform Tennis Courts
Court Layout Helpful Hints

To follow is general information gathered from the Chapel Hill Tennis Club project. Court installers would have more information specific to your courts.

COURT DIMENSIONS
Court outer dimensions approximately 31 x 61 feet.

SPACING BETWEEN COURTS
5 feet between courts would be adequate.

COURT SITE
Sites need not be level for courts. Approximately a dozen concrete piers are the foundation for each court. Piers are level with each other at the top but can be of significantly varying height from ground.

COURT LAYOUTS
Several example layouts are attached. The simplest is 2 courts side-by-side with a small deck between. Other examples demonstrate that courts may be staggered and it’s not necessary to have all courts facing the same direction. When using any configuration other than side-by-side it looks sharper if posts line up.

DECKING AND STAIRS
Many court configurations have decking between courts and stairs from decking to ground. Decking between courts could be as small as a 6 foot landing or run full court length. Most often decking is pressure treated wood however some use the same aluminum court surface.

COURT DIRECTION
No easy answer to this question. On sunny days there will almost always be some difficulty with sun depending on the season and time of day. This also varies considerably by location (region).

Some say to layout paddle courts perpendicular to tennis courts but this is not always optimal.

If there are other paddle courts in your part of the country they would be a great reference source. Otherwise, observe the view looking in all directions, at all hours of daylight during different months and make a decision.
Standard 2 Court Side By Side Layout

8' deck to doors
stairs both ends

door/steps

61' %

31'

5 1/8'

1" = 16 Feet
Layout A

Layout B

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