



Tennis Etiquette/Code of Conduct Agreement Ages 11-17

Blue Sky Tennis strives to create a safe and enjoyable learning and playing environment for all participants, including players, coaches and parents. This positive atmosphere is critical for the development of each player individually and as a member of a greater tennis team.

Besides the “official rules of tennis”, there are also some important unwritten rules which come under the title of tennis etiquette. Tennis is a social game, a game involving simple politeness and consideration. Everyone will enjoy the game much more if those standards are maintained.

PLAYERS WILL:

- Show **respect** toward coaches, other players, and parents.
- Exhibit a **positive and cooperative attitude** at all times.
- **Listen** to coaches and follow their directions.
- **Be kind** and understand everyone is learning at their own pace.
- **Pick up balls** in an efficient and timely manner.
- **Not yell or distract** other players as they hit the ball.
- **Be honest** to coaches, parents, toward themselves and each other at all times.
- **Exhibit good sportsmanship** at all times.
- **Call balls fairly** and accurately during singles/doubles matches/games.
- **Shake hands** after a match (win or lose).
- **Not use profanity or aggressive behaviors.**
- Familiarize themselves with the **fundamental rules of tennis.**
- Wear athletic clothing with **pockets or spandex to hold extra balls, and stable athletic shoes.**

PARENT AND PLAYER BEHAVIOR CONTRACT AGREEMENT:

I have read and discussed this Code of Conduct Agreement with my player and we understand the expectations. In the event that Blue Sky Tennis staff needs to phone home about a behavior problem, we will, together with the parent/guardian, discuss actions to be taken to resolve the matter. Following this, an inability to follow these behavior rules may result in a child being removed from the program.

Thank you for reading and discussing these Tennis Etiquette expectations with your player!