



MIDWEST
SOUTHEASTERN MICHIGAN

UNACCEPTABLE BEHAVIOR FOR USTA/Southeastern Michigan JUNIOR TOURNAMENTS

- 1. ABUSIVE CONDUCT BY A PLAYER OR BY A PERSON ASSOCIATED WITH A PLAYER** (parent, coach, sibling or friend) directed at an opponent, tournament official, tournament staff, etc. The Player is subject to a penalty and/or the people associated with the Player are subject to dismissal from the tournament site.
- 2. WORDS AND/OR GESTURES WHICH ARE DISRESPECTFUL, DISRUPTIVE, OR INTIMIDATING.** (E.g. a loud "Come on" or "Okay" said after the opponent double faults or makes an error on an easy shot.") According to the USTA rules this behavior is Verbal Abuse.
- 3. WORDS AND/OR GESTURES THAT ARE DIRECTED AT AN OPPONENT** – considered unsportsmanlike.
- 4. VERBAL AND/OR PHYSICAL ATTACKS ON THE OFFICIAL. QUESTIONING THE COMPETENCE OF AN OFFICIAL.**
- 5. THE TAUNTING OF AN OPPONENT** – whether verbally or by gesture.
- 6. THROWING A RACQUET IN ANGER**
- 7. COACHING DURING A MATCH** – Coaching is considered to be communication, advice or instruction of any kind, audible or visible, to a player and is not allowed.

All of the above are subject to the Point Penalty System for offending players.

PLEASE REFRAIN FROM THESE BEHAVIORS AT ALL FUTURE TOURNAMENTS.

For more information about the point Penalty System see page 18 in the 2019 Junior Competition Handbook and Table 14 page 109 in USTA Friend at Court