

USTA NORTHERN

Be Your Best **PLAYER**

Sportsmanship Guidelines

Dos

- ✓ Act in a way you can be proud of
- ✓ Respect your opponent, officials and spectators
- ✓ Acknowledge well-played points
- ✓ Respect your opponent's calls
- ✓ Call the ball IN when in doubt
- ✓ Address issues with tournament officials
- ✓ Call the score clearly prior to serving
- ✓ Congratulate the winner
- ✓ Thank tournament officials
- ✓ Have FUN

Don'ts

- ✗ Use insensitive or profane language
- ✗ Accuse opponents of cheating
- ✗ Engage with parents or coaches while playing
- ✗ Bully or taunt opponents (on or off court)
- ✗ Lose your temper or abuse your racquet
- ✗ Default matches unless injured or sick
- ✗ Be disrespectful to staff, spectators or opponents

Be Your Best **SPECTATOR**

Sportsmanship Guidelines

Dos

- ✓ Respect the players, staff and other spectators
- ✓ Support all players, win or lose
- ✓ Clap politely for good shots and points
- ✓ Raise concerns with officials or staff
- ✓ Keep winning and losing in perspective
- ✓ Honor all scheduled matches
- ✓ Strive for a positive experience for all
- ✓ Remember these are kids...act accordingly

Don'ts

- ✗ Interfere with the match
- ✗ Challenge line calls
- ✗ Make negative accusations
- ✗ Use profane or insensitive language
- ✗ Cheer errors or double faults
- ✗ Illegally coach
- ✗ Post negative comments online about players
- ✗ Record a match without permission
- ✗ Punish players for losses