



# Parents Q&A with Officials Concerning USTA Tournaments

What You Can Expect from Us and What We Expect from your player(s) AND You!

Parent Meetings with Officials are informative sessions lasting about 45 min to an hour. Our Texas Officials work with CTA's, Teaching Professionals, High School Coaches and others to set up informational meetings to discuss topics covering tournament protocol:

What is a Certified Official (how can you be one!!!)?

What our oath is to the players

Sportsmanship we expect from the players

Overview of The Code

Sportsmanship we expect from the parents/guardians

The Parents/Guardian Code (attached)

## **OTHER TOPICS:**

What is the players Oath?

Once player is called to court... what is your job?

USTA rules v. other rules (UIL, ITF, TAPPS)

When YOU feel like an Official is needed!

What are Court Monitors?

Coaching

When can you coach?

What is considered coaching?

What are the consequences if you coach at an unauthorized time?

Scoring disputes

Asking an Official questions concerning the match

Cheating – what can you do as a parent/fan?

Anatomy of Tournament (things you should know)

    Draws (seeds, byes)

    Rain Delays

You can be asked to leave! (Player Responsibilities/Standards of Conduct) (attached)

The Code: Player, Parent, Official (attached)

#1 FAN (attached)

OPEN QUESTION AND ANSWER TIME!

Our goal is to get the you up to speed on what to expect when you are at a tournament. Hopefully, we will get you invested in the process and help make your tournament experience positive.