



USTA NorCal Umpire Guidelines

It is important to remember that umpires must remain professional on and off court. An umpire's actions could impact the overall image of officials and officiating. To help improve consistency throughout the USTA NorCal section, following are some guidelines for NorCal Officials

- 1) Abide by the Umpires Code of Conduct in the Friend at Court
- 2) Not accept an assignment and then withdraw from that assignment in favor of another
- 3) Do not accept concurrent tournament assignments in any capacity. Tournaments deserve the full attention of the officials they are hiring
- 4) Be on time for all assignments. As a referee, unless you have a different arrangement with the tournament director, you should plan to be on site at least an hour before the start of play. All other officials should report by the time set by the referee or chief of officials
- 5) Be familiar with the USTA NorCal Rules and USTA National Rules. If you have any questions, contact the USTA NorCal section office or the Sectional Chairman of Officials
- 6) Do not make negative comments about the players or the tournament while in uniform or at the site
- 7) Keep conversations with players, parents, or coaches to a minimum while on site
- 8) Referees must submit code of conduct forms within 3 days of the last sanctioned date of the tournament