

Southsea Tennis Club Codes of Conduct

Applies to Participants in the game and those supporting players eg. Parents, coaches, officials and volunteers

- Prioritise the safety and wellbeing of Children and Adults at risk. Promptly reporting any safeguarding concerns or worries to the Welfare Officer/ LTA Safeguarding Team.
- Treat each other fairly and with respect.
- Help to create a safe inclusive, accessible, welcoming and enjoyable environment both on and off court.
- Not to do anything on or off court that is unsporting/ insulting
- Not allow any rough or dangerous behaviour, bullying or the use of bad or inappropriate language
- Value and celebrate diversity and make all reasonable efforts to meet the individual needs

Parents and other support persons

- Positively reinforce your child to show intent in their tennis
- Be a positive role model. Do not use any sanctions that humiliate or harm a child or adult at risk
- Be realistic and supportive and consistent with them. Be sensitive to players self esteem when providing constructive feedback, including when the player may have made a mistake or lost a match. And accepting the players can only do their best.
- Behave responsibly at the venue, do not embarrass your child
- Accept the official's decision and do not go on court and refrain from becoming involved in any court/ match matter, including line calls and scores
- Encourage your child to play by the rules. Prepare them to respond to success and failure in a dignified manner.
- Ensure the child understands their code of conduct.
- Deliver and collect your child punctually from the venue. Ensure your child has appropriate clothing for the weather conditions.
- Adhere to the venue's safeguarding, diversity and inclusion policy, rules and regulations
- Provide emergency contact details and any information about your child, including medical conditions

Principles of Participation Children and Young People

- Treat others with same respect and fairness as you would like to be shown
- Display good sportsmanship, honesty and respect whether you win or lose
- Learn to challenge yourself and improve social skills\
- Take responsibility for your actions, calling scores and lines clearly and fairly even if it costs you the point.
- Respect differences in others and appreciate that all participants bring something valuable and different to the event
- Show patience with others
- Look out for yourselves and the welfare of others
- Do not take part in any irresponsible, abusive or illegal behaviour
- Be organised and be on time
- Take time to thank those who help you take part whether family, coach, club or team master