

# Pin Point Tennis Team

## Code of Practice for Players

Pin Point Tennis Team is fully committed to safeguarding and promoting the well being of all its players.

Pin Point Tennis Team believes that it is important that members, coaches, administrators and parents/guardians should at all times show respect and understanding for the safety and welfare of others. Therefore players are encouraged to be open at all times and to share any concerns or complaints that they may have with:

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As a player on a Pin Point Tennis Team session or the Play Tour you are expected to abide by the following code of practice:

### **ALL Players**

- All players must play within the rules and respect officials and their decisions
- All players must respect the rights, dignity and worth of all participants regardless of age, gender, ability, race, culture background, religious beliefs or sexual identity.
- Players should keep to agreed timings for training and competitions or inform their coach or team captain if they are going to be late.
- Players must wear suitable kit for training and match sessions as agreed with the coach.
- Players must pay any fees for training or events promptly.

### **Youth**

- Youth players are not allowed to smoke on the premises or whilst representing their team at competitions.
- Youth members are not allowed to consume alcohol or drugs of any kind on the premises or whilst representing their team.

### **Parents**

- Never force your child to take part in sport!!!
- Encourage your child to learn the rules of tennis and play within them.
- Discourage unfair play and arguing with officials.
- Help your child to recognize good performance not just results.
- Set a good example by recognizing fair play and applauding the good performances of all.
- Never punish or belittle a child for losing or making mistakes.
- Publicly accept judgments made by officials.
- Support your child's involvement and help them to enjoy their sport
- Use correct and proper language at all times.
- Be patient – steady progression is unusual in children; peaks and plateaus are common.
- Your first question following any match should be: "Did you enjoy it?" NOT "Did you win?"
- At NO stage should you communicate with your child or interfere with the on-court helpers and referees during a match- just enjoy the game and let officials take care of the rules!!