

## 10 Rules to Remember<sup>1</sup>

1. I shall keep my racquet in hand between points. Banging the racquet on the floor, on my foot, or on any fixture near the courts in frustration can be considered racquet abuse.
2. I shall pass the ball softly to my opponents between points. Hitting the ball hard in frustration when it is not in play can be considered Ball Abuse.
3. I shall speak respectfully to my opponent. It is the right thing to do. Speaking angrily, hitting or abusing them or using bad language are grounds for code violations.
4. I shall always speak respectfully to the referees and tournament directors.
5. I shall make good line calls. I shall give the benefit of doubt to my opponent. Bad or shady line calls are unsportsmanlike behaviour.
6. I shall not distract my opponent while he or she is serving. It is unsportsmanlike.
7. I shall respect my opponents' line calls. If I disagree with a call, I can ask for a referee. Constantly questioning an opponent's line calls is disrespectful.
8. If an opponent continuously questions my calls I can inform a referee.
9. I shall always have a good attitude on the court. Playing tennis is a privilege.
10. I shall make sure my parents or coaches do not coach me while I'm playing a match. It is grounds for code violation.

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<sup>1</sup> These rules have been derived from Tennis Canada's Rules of the Court 2017 Code of Conduct Session. They have been simplified for an easier understanding.