



# Positive Competitive Environment Agreement

As a parent/guardian, I understand that I play a key role in my child's tennis development and that I have the responsibility to contribute to a positive competitive environment for both my child and for other competitors.

I understand that my actions must be consistent with the *Rules of the Court*\* and respect the spirit of the following guidelines:

- 1 I will encourage my child to play fairly, demonstrate good sportsmanship, try to resolve conflicts with respect and abide by the *Rules of the Court*.\*
- 2 I will be a positive role model for my child by being respectful in my behaviour toward other players, coaches, officials, parents, spectators and representatives of the tournament. I will refrain from using inappropriate language and will not engage in any form of verbal or physical abuse or social media harassment prior, during or after a tournament.
- 3 I understand that I am a guest of the tournament and will respect the tennis organizers, officials, coaches, and club employees.

- 4 I will refrain from having any dialogue with my child or their opponent during a match in accordance with the rules and the spirit of the sport of tennis (where participants solve problems on their own).
- 5 I will focus on ensuring my child gives their best effort, works hard and competes fairly as I understand that the outcome of a match is not always under their control.
- 6 I understand that my actions and words can influence my child's long-term involvement in tennis and their emotional well-being and am ultimately there to support my child's desire to play.

I have read and agree to the above guidelines and understand that there may be ramifications for myself and/or my child (outlined in the *Rules of the Court*)\* should there be a breach of the rules.

\*the Tennis Canada Rules of the Court include the Code of Conduct. Players should be aware that some Provinces administer their own variation of the Code of Conduct/ Disciplinary Procedures.

