

SIDELINE BEHAVIOUR



A big way that parents can help make tennis a safe and fun environment for kids is to set an example of what a good sport is.

Below are some easy tips to ensure your behaviour doesn't become an issue for your child.

ENCOURAGE FAIR PLAY

- Cheer and acknowledge good shots on both sides of the net
- Thank the official, coach and opponent after each match.

SHOW RESPECT

- Officials are human and make mistakes too.
- If you have an issue with a decision, deal with it in a controlled manner after the match.

UPHOLD THE RULES AND SPIRIT OF THE GAME

- If your club has a code of conduct, make sure you understand and abide by it
- If you're helping out, it's important to know the rules and treat everyone with respect and fairness
- Remember it's not a Grand Slam.

ENCOURAGE FUN

- Emphasise the importance of trying your best and having fun
- Never yell at or ridicule a kid for making a mistake.

KEEP YOUR EMOTIONS IN CHECK

- Screaming, using bad language or arguing with others is just not on.

