

# 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 umpire, 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 by acting as an official, know the rules and 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

