



CODE OF CONDUCT FOR CHILDREN/YOUNG PEOPLE

THE TENNIS PLAYER WILL:

- n Always respect coaches, coaching assistants and officials and accept their decisions
- n Refrain from the use of bad language and inappropriate gestures
- n Refrain from ball and or racquet abuse
- n Play fairly and have fun
- n Abide by the rules set down by team managers when travelling to away events.
- n Behave in a manner that avoids bringing the game of tennis into disrepute.
- n Talk to the children's officer if you have concerns
- n Respect opponents and always shake hands at the end of a match
- n Use his/her best efforts in competitive matches
- n Refrain from the use of coaching during competition
- n Never use unfair or bullying tactics to gain advantage on or off the court
- n Never use bullying tactics to isolate another player
- n Never pass on gossip about another player or adult
- n Never make false allegations about another player or adult
- n Never keep secrets about anyone who has caused you harm
- n Win with grace and lose with dignity

CHILD/ YOUTH MEMBER HAS THE RIGHT TO:

- Be safe
- Be listened to
- Be respected
- Privacy
- Enjoy your sport in a protective environment
- Be referred to professional help if needed
- Be protected from abuse by other member or outside sources.
- Participate on an equal basis, appropriate to your ability
- Experience competition and the desire to win
- Be believed
- Ask for help

The parent/guardian and Committee will be informed of any persistent concerns or breaches of these rules.

The ultimate action should a child/youth member continue to breach the code of behaviour may mean Donaghadee Lawn Tennis Club officials regrettably asking the child to leave the club.

I have read the Tennis Ireland Code of Conduct above and agree to abide by the guidelines as set out in the code.

Signature of Player _____

Print Name _____

Signature of Parent/ Guardian* _____

Print Name _____

Date _____

*Please note that the person signing the parent/guardian section must ensure they have parental responsibility for the child.