



## **GUIDELINES FOR FAIRWEST MIDDLE SCHOOL MATCH PARENT OR COACH OF THE DAY**

TEAM and COACH arrive 15 minutes before the match is supposed to start, **NOT EARLIER. PLEASE** be aware that matches ahead of yours may go overtime, please be patient!

**All teams need to keep in mind that we are guests of each facility we play in and must be respectful of their members.** Open courts are only for the use of the membership of each venue. Please only use the courts designated for FairWest use. **Players are not to warm up or play on open courts unless invited to do so.**

If your team arrives early to a venue (understandable given the distances some teams travel) we request that you keep your players quietly in one location of the venue where they are not bothering members currently playing. They should keep their equipment organized in a location out of the way of traffic.

**All** of your players are to stay until the entire team has finished their matches.

All players must wear US Squash approved goggles and non marking sneakers.

Locate and introduce yourself to the opposing team coach/parent of the day (some teams bring coaches others have parents). **Be aware of time!** Keep matches moving along.

Have the team in ladder order and ready to have introductions to the other team if there is time (there is not always time to do this). **Introductions are to be done OFF COURT during the 10 minutes before play starts.** This is to insure matches start and end on time.

We have NOT contracted court time to include introductions on court.

**Please note which team is HOME and which team is AWAY** by racquet spin.

Home team will REFEREE for ODD matches(5,3,1) and MARK for EVEN matches (4,2).

AWAY team will REFEREE for EVEN matches (4,2) and MARK for ODD matches (6,4,2).

Make sure that every player who is on court playing a match has another team mate watching that match and refereeing/scoring. The job of REFEREE is strictly restricted to players. Refereeing is considered an integral part of junior squash and just like playing, can be difficult, especially for less experienced players. Interference by coaches or spectators makes this job more difficult and therefore COACHES, TEAM COORDINATORS AND PARENTS ARE NOT TO INTERFERE WITH THE REFEREE OF A MATCH AT ANY POINT.

There is no coaching allowed while players are on court. This includes cheering coaching advice (ex: Keep hitting those rails!) or hand gestures. Coaching is allowed in between games by teammates or designated coaches.

PARENTS are NOT to give coaching advice unless specifically requested by a coach or school coordinator.

**If unacceptable behavior is witnessed that goes against the US Squash Code of Conduct for Players OR Spectators and it cannot be resolved on site,** then Coaches, Match Parents or Team Coordinators may document the infraction and email it to the FairWest League's current Secretary. Documentation of the event will be forwarded to the FairWest Executive Board for review and possible disciplinary action via US Squash.

Scores from each match must be recorded. The **winning team will keep the score sheet and enter scores into US Squash within 24 hours.** The losing team is responsible for writing down a copy of the scores and confirming said scores on US Squash after they are entered by opposing team.

Make sure that everything is picked up, trash thrown away and that nothing has been left behind.

Make sure that all players have left with a ride, **do not leave anyone at the venue.**

Thank you for your help!