

ON COURT PLAYER BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS

SAFETY

Players must make every effort to clear their shots and give a straight path to the ball.

This means no trailing leg or hip checking or simply standing up after taking your shot.

Players must make every effort to get to the ball.

Players must not play the player, or fish for strokes. No running into the player on a circuitous path to the ball. No wrapping your racket around the player in an attempt to gain a stroke.

Player must refrain from using excessive force and should stop once they reach their opponent.

Players need to show they could get to a ball, but there is no need to push an opponent over. This crosses the line and will lead to a conduct situation.

Players must keep their racket in their hand at all times.

No throwing the racket at the end of a game. Place the racket by the glass and leave the court.

RESPECT

Players must refrain from arguing with the referee.

After a player indicates they are asking for a Let, they should not talk or gesticulate until a decision is given, no matter how long that may take. Once the decision is made, you have a right to ask for an explanation, but you should do that calmly and respectfully, accept the explanation and move to play the next point.

Players can celebrate on court - at the right moment. However, not after every point.

Players certainly should not scream or shout after every point and definitely NOT into the face of the opponent. Players can be passionate and excited, but also need to be humble and respectful.

FAIR PLAY

Players should call their own balls down or out or not up.

It can be hard to call balls fairly in the heat of a hard match, however, US Squash does not believe players should win at any cost. Players should win or lose a match with integrity.

Players should refrain from timewasting.

Play must be continuous. This means, not stopping regularly to tie your shoes, or put up your hair, or clean your glasses. It means be ready to take the serve – and play the serve.

Players must share the ball during the warm-up.

This is not solo practice. 2 to yourself then across.

Players must be back on court ready to play when the 90 seconds between games is up.

Once the referee calls Time you should be ready to play the first point. Keep an eye on the clock and stay around the court during the break.