



## *Code of Conduct & Ethics*

**The Highest type of Sportsmanship is expected from every player. Players are under the obligation to avoid acts that are unsportsmanlike to the game of tennis.**

**Violators of this code are subject to disciplinary action and will be ineligible to compete in team matches and tournaments of the Mass. Indoor Tennis Association.**

- 1. Loud abusive and profane language, racquet throwing or hitting balls indiscriminately is prohibited**
- 2. Deliberate stalling is a rule infraction and should be protested by the opponents.**
- 3. Intentional waving of a racquet or arms, or making distracting noises is prohibited.**
- 4. If you have any doubt, as to whether a ball is out or good, you **MUST** give the opponents the benefit of the doubt and play the ball as “GOOD”.**
- 5. If you call a ball “out” and then realize it was good, you **MUST** correct your call.**
- 6. Intentional late arrival & court entry is a rule infraction and should be protested.**
- 7. If players cannot agree on the score, they may go back to the last score on which there was agreement and resume play from that point, or they may spin a racquet.**
- 8. Each match should be considered a team effort and reflections of the Club players represent. Violations of this code and the rules and procedures of the Association should be submitted immediately to the Grievance Chairman.**
- 9. The Grievance Committee has the power to suspend or retire any team player or team that has been protested more than twice.**
- 10. Failure to report scores to the scorekeeper on the time allocation stated will result in a zero to the Home Team.**
- 11. Proper team line-up must be adhered to at all times.**

**The above Code of Conduct and Ethics are provided to insure that all team participants of the Association will enjoy competition in a courteous atmosphere.**