

REMINDERS to COACHES

1. Be sure the players know the rules and regulations.
2. Be sure the players are in compliance with the uniform and jewelry policies.
3. Alert the Officials and Trainers to any special medical concerns.
4. Know the schedule. All times are approximate. Be at your court early as we are running a rolling schedule.
5. If a school has only one means of transportation, leave athletes at the court where they are playing. If players are competing in different flights of singles and doubles, plan ahead on how to get to a designated court.
6. Know the phone numbers for each court site (given at the coaches' meeting on Wednesday evening) and let them know if you're going to be late for a scheduled match time.
7. Lateness Penalty System. The USTA rules for a graduated penalty system as listed in Table 11 of the Friend At Court, p. 131 will apply. A player is deemed to have arrived when the player checks in at the place designated for checking in and is properly clothed, equipped, and ready to play. The lateness penalty clock starts when the match is scheduled and called, even if a court is not yet available. If a player has not arrived, the court marshal is not required to keep a court open while awaiting a player. Except for a Default, an official shall never assess more than a 3-game penalty for lateness.

References:

1. Friend at Court (2007). Available online at... www.usta.com
Search for Friend at Court PDF under Get Involved - Officials
2. SDHSAA Regulations. Available online at... www.sdhsaa.com/athletics/tennis/Rules