

Double Dot Squash Code of Conduct

While squash is a competitive game, it is important to behave appropriately and respect others. Good sportsmanship should be shown at all times.

Please read this agreement before attending the first session of the programme.

By registering for the programme parent and player agree to the following conditions of joining the Double Dot Squash Programme.

Standards

We have standards expected from our players, coaches, and company.

- Attitude
 - A high level of positive attitude and behaviour to be displayed at all times.
- Enjoyment
 - Aim for everything we do to provide enjoyment.
- Work Ethic
 - A high level of work ethic from all in order to achieve goals, be successful, maintain motivation, develop life skills, and to get the most out of the effort put in.

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Players

- Be respectful of all others.
- Have a positive attitude, and support others.
- Listen to instructions of the coach(es).
- Best effort must be made to arrive at the session on time.
- Notify the programme or competition coach/organiser at the earliest possible moment if you are going to be late or not in attendance.
- Be making a consistent effort to improve their squash skills and putting in effort throughout all sessions.
- Do not use offensive, impolite, or disrespectful language.
- Align with Double Dot Squash and club values.
- Be supportive and inclusive of existing and new players to the group.
- All scooters, bikes, and similar to be left outside the club building and not used during programme time.
- The club building is to be respected and left in a tidy condition.
- Follow all competition rules, policies, and guidelines set by Double Dot Squash, the club, and Squash New Zealand.
- Display good sportsmanship at all times.

- Behave appropriately at all times and never in a way which may endanger or risk the safety of yourself or others.
- Do not throw or misuse equipment.
- Stay with the rest of the group at all times, unless approved by a Double Dot Squash coach.
- No players may smoke, vape, or similar, take non-prescription drugs, consume alcohol, or partake in other activities which may cause harm to their health, or that are illegal, under any circumstances.
- Be responsible to take care of your own belongings.

Parents

- Best effort must be made to have your child arrive at the session on time.
- Be respectful of all others.
- Encourage players to have a positive attitude, and support others.
- Work with the coach(es) in the best interest of your child, but do not interfere or interrupt during sessions.
- Do not use offensive, impolite, or disrespectful language when in a Double Dot Squash Club, programme, or competition.
- Be welcoming to new players and parents.
- Encourage players and show good sportsmanship, respect for others, and do not negatively interfere with the session or match.
- Do not punish or belittle a player for losing or making mistakes.
- Encourage your child to focus on improvement and effort in matches as being successful, instead of winning or losing the match based on points.
- Fees are to be paid in advance to the start of the programme to bank account 12-3059-0432506-52, with the child's name and programme in the description.

Disciplinary Actions

These disciplinary actions will be imposed in a manner suitable to the offense.

1. Verbal warning issued by Double Dot Squash, programme coach, or organiser.
2. Written warning issued by Double Dot Squash, programme coach, or organiser. A meeting between the player, parent, coach, and in some cases Double Dot Squash Director may be held.
3. Suspension or immediate removal from the programme or competition and/or suspension for a period of time ranging from days to weeks, issued by Double Dot Squash, programme coach, or organiser, who is authorised to issue such suspension or ejection by Double Dot Squash. Prior to the suspension decision being finalised a meeting between the player, parent, coach, and in some cases Double Dot Squash Director will be held.
4. Suspension from multiple programmes/competitions and/or suspension for a period of time ranging from weeks to months, issued by Double Dot Squash, programme coach, or organiser, who is authorised to issue such suspension by Double Dot Squash. Prior to the suspension decision being finalised a meeting between the player, parent, coach, and in some cases Double Dot Squash Director will be held.
5. Term suspension, multiple term suspension, or lifetime suspension, issued by Double Dot Squash, programme coach, or organiser, and approved by the Double Dot Squash Director or Head Coach. Prior to the suspension decision being finalised a meeting between the player, parent, coach, and in some cases Double Dot Squash Director will be held.

Types of Infractions

Minor Infraction

A Minor Infraction will result in penalties and warnings during a programme or competition and/or equal to the disciplinary action 1 or 2 as written above. A Minor Infraction is a single occurrence or disturbance from which no threat has been brought upon any coach, parent, player, participant, official, or any other attendee, though is a violation of the “Double Dot Squash Code of Conduct” or the rules of squash as they relate to conduct and etiquette.

Examples of Minor Infractions include but are not limited to:

- A single instance of disrespectful language or actions directed at any coach, parent, player, participant, official, or any other attendee.
- A single occurrence of not following the instructions of the coach or organiser.
- A single occurrence of throwing or misusing equipment.

Major Infraction

A Major Infraction will result in disciplinary actions involving suspension from a single programme/competition, multiple programmes/competitions, a term or multiple terms. A Major Infraction is a repeated minor infraction or a single occurrence or disturbance of an event in which a threat has been brought upon any coach, parent, player, participant, official, or any other attendee. These threats or actions if deemed sufficiently damaging to the programme or competition gives Double Dot Squash, the programme coach, or organiser, the right to action in accordance with any and all disciplinary actions as outlined in the “Double Dot Squash Code of Conduct”. Examples of Major infractions include but are not limited to:

- Multiple reported instances of disrespectful language or actions directed at any coach, parent, player, participant, official, or any other attendee.
- A threat or act of violence or assault, against any coach, parent, player, participant, official, or any other attendee.
- Purposefully not being supportive or inclusive of new players.
- Purposely damaging objects, or harming others.
- Smoking, vaping, or similar, taking non-prescription drugs, consuming alcohol, or partaking in other activities which may cause harm to health, or that are illegal.