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Note: In ITA team matches, use school name, except when introducing players.

Lateness Penalty Announcement in Introductions

“Adams (School) won the toss and chose to serve. Adams leads (1, 2, or 3) games to love due to lateness penalty.”

Break Between 2nd-3rd Sets

In a match with spectators present, the Chair should announce when a break is being taken between the 2nd and 3rd sets.

“Ladies and Gentlemen, play will resume after the 10-minute Break.”

Note: Never announce when a player is taking a bathroom or change of attire break.

Code Violations

Code violations should be announced in accordance with the offense and the progression of the point penalty system

1st Code

“Code Violation, (offense), Point Penalty, Adams.” Then call the new score.

2nd Code

“Code Violation, (offense), Game Penalty, Adams.” Then call the new score.

3rd Code

“Code Violation, offense, Default, Adams.” “Game, set, match, Jones. 6-4, 2-4, Default.”

Code Offenses

Verbal Abuse

Audible (Obscenity or Profanity)

Ball Abuse

Coaching

Delay of Game

Racket Abuse

Time Violation

Unsportsmanlike Conduct

Visible (Obscenity or Profanity)

*Note: An acronym for code verbiage is **CORN** (Code Violation, Offense, Result, Name)*

Deliberate Second Hit

If there is a definite and deliberate “second push” by the player,

“Foul Shot.”

Hindrances

Deliberate:

“Hindrances. Loss of Point.” Call new score.

Unintentional:

“Let. Replay the point.”

Lets

Interruption:

“Let. Replay the point,” (If the interruption requires it.)

Service:

“Let. (First or Second) Serve.”

Note: NEVER say: “Play a let.”

Medical Time Out

When a player requests a trainer to court.

“Ladies and gentlemen, the trainer has been called to court.”

When you start your watch for MTO.

“Ladies and gentlemen Mr. Adams is receiving a Medical Time-Out.”

Announce only to trainer, referee (if present), and player.

“2 minutes remaining,” “1 minute remaining,” “30 seconds.” This is not an announcement for the spectators.

“Treatment complete. Time.”

No-Ad Scoring

Announce at deuce,

“Deuce, deciding point, Receiver’s choice.”

Double Bounce

After the ball bounces twice, and is hit by the player over the net,

“Not up.”

Overrules (USTA)

If you overrule an out call,

“Correction, the ball was good.” (Extend hand outward with palm down for good ball.)

If line umpire calls the ball good and you overrule to fault or out, “Fault” or “Out, (and new score)”

Note: It is permissible to use hand signals with verbal response.

Retirement

“Ladies and Gentlemen, Mr. Dunn is unable to continue due to a medical condition, Match Adams (School), 6-1, 2-4, retired.”

Ball Through The Net

If the ball passes through the net at any time (singles or doubles), or under the net cord and inside the post (except in a singles match with singles sticks),

“Through.”

Titles

Note: Titles such as Mr. or Ms. should be used only when directly communicating with a player, or issuing a penalty, regardless of age.

“Ms. Jones (or Jennifer) keep your racket in your hand.”

“Code Violation, (offense), Point Penalty, **Mr.** Adams.”

“Time Violation, Warning, **Mr.** Baker.” (First offense)

“Time Violation, Point Penalty, **Mr.** Baker.” Call the new score. (After first Time Violation)

Touches Involving Opponent or Permanent Fixtures

“Touch.”

Pauses

“Wait please.” (Should be used to prevent play from starting, such as ball rolling on to court while server is stepping to the line to serve, or receiver is not ready.)

Note: It is permissible to raise your hand to complement your instructions)

Appeals (ITA only)

“Ball was good.” (Extend hand outward with palm down for good ball.)

“Ball was out.” (Point index finger upward for out ball.)

Note: It is permissible to use hand signals with verbal response.