



## NCTTA Code of Conduct

NCTTA is committed to promoting the principles of honesty, integrity, respect, ethical conduct, and team work among student athletes and member clubs. Student athletes are expected to train and strive for the highest degree of academic and athletic excellence. All *NCTTA participants* are expected to adhere to the principles of this code of conduct.

NCTTA participants **must**:

- Respect the game and play fairly and within the bounds of the rules and regulations.
- Show respect for officials of the game (umpires/referees) and of the league (division directors and other NCTTA officers and volunteers).
- Demonstrate good *sportsmanship* before, during and after competition.

NCTTA participants **must not**:

- Act in a way that is dishonest, unprofessional, or in violation of any laws.
- Engage in activities or actions that may discredit NCTTA or act in a way that reflects negatively on NCTTA or college table tennis.
- Avoid competition by defaulting matches.

### Penalties for Misconduct

Violation of any of the above principles will be considered misconduct and will be subject to review by the NCTTA Ethics/Grievance Committee, which will rule on appropriate penalties on a case by case basis.

Penalties for violating this code of conduct may include:

- Public or private reprimand.
- Disqualification from specific NCTTA events.
- Temporary suspension of membership privileges, including but not limited to participation in NCTTA events.
- Permanent revocation of membership privileges.
- Banishment from future NCTTA membership.
- Other reasonable penalties as identified by the Ethics/Grievance committee for a particular infraction.
- Loss of NCTTA Rating points for defaulting matches.

### Definitions

**NCTTA participant:** Any member school, club, or team, and any individuals associated with that member school, club, or team. This includes, but is not limited to, student athletes, coaches, managers, officers, administrators, faculty and staff.

**Student athlete:** Any person enrolled at an NCTTA member school that plays in NCTTA events or participates in other competitive activities organized by that member school/club.

**Sportsmanship:** Conduct and attitude expected of participants of sports and athletic activities, in particular, fair play, courtesy, striving spirit, and grace in losing.