

Code of conduct of the MTF Officials

(hereinafter referred to Official's Code)

An official, who gave his consent for participation in the tournament, organized by MTF or under the aegis of MTF, has to fulfill the following requirements:

1. The official shall be obliged to be permanently in a good physical form.
2. The official shall be obliged to have a normal hearing and normal vision, natural or corrected, equal to 1.0. All MTF umpires(chair, line umpire), who referee the tournaments of the federation and international tournaments held in the Republic of Moldova, shall be obliged at the request of Officiating Department (OD) to present the vision certificate.
3. The official shall be obliged to be present at all matches he/she has been nominated for, and may terminate the tournament day only on permission of the chief referee.
4. The official shall be obliged to know and strictly fulfill the Rules of tennis, as well as his/her obligations according to Regulations of MTF and all existing Regulations of the international tennis organizations, valid at the tournaments, which he referees.
5. The official shall be obliged to have a neat appearance, wear respective uniform and observe personal hygiene rules.
6. The official shall be forbidden to consume any alcoholic beverages before any match in refereeing day and on the territory of sports base (courts) any time, while the matches are ongoing, as well as when he wears the official's uniform.
7. The referee shall be obliged to be impartial with respect to all players.
8. The referee should not criticize or try to explain the decisions of other referees whoever it may be, except between themselves, chief referees of the tournament or the representative (inspector) of MTF who is responsible for officiating.
9. The officials should be forbidden to make a bet or stake on in respect of any tennis competition.
10. The officials should not communicate with audience during the match, except for the cases of address to audience (as a chair umpire or inspector of the match) during match holding.
11. The officials should not give the interview or meet with journalists without the permission of the chief referee.
12. The official always should behave himself correctly, treat with respect to the chief referee, referees, tournament staff, players and audience.
13. It is incorrectly to accept invitation for refereeing from other organizers, if previously he/she has already given the consent to work during this period as an official at the certain tournament. The exclusion may be done only on the permission of the OD of MTF.
14. The officials should address with requests, relating to their work at the tournament, not to the director of the tournament or his/her employees, but to the chief referee or it deputies.
15. The chief referee of the tournament has to report to the OD about all violations of this Code during the held by him tournament. The chief referee has the right to remove the official from work at the tournament for violation of this Code.
16. The referee, who does not fulfill these requirements, may be demoted in officiating rank (category) or removed from refereeing for a specific period according to decision of OD.