

### **Some team rules from Captain RBE:**

**More info on the NJ Women's Tennis League website:**

<http://www.acesportsadmin.com/njwtl/>

**CELL PHONE:** If your cell phone rings during play of a point on your court, that point will **AUTOMATICALLY** be awarded to opposing team! Players on any one court MAY NOT agree amongst themselves to disregard the cell phone rule and use their cell phones due to disturbance on neighboring courts. A phone ringing on another court DOES NOT constitute a loss of point for either team on your court.

**LATENESS:** There will be a 15 minute grace period for players who are later than the official 9:30am start time. If a player arrives at 9:35am, she has only 10 minutes to warm up. If she arrives at 9:40am, she has a 5 minute warmup. If she arrives at 9:45am there is no warmup.

\*For every 5 minutes after 9:45am the late team forfeits one whole game! up until 10:15am. After that the score is 0-6. The team has now lost the first set and forfeited the match.

Remember: all practices serves are caught. Do not return practice serves.

**BREAKS:** There are **no breaks** between sets. Play is continuous **unless mutually agreeable** otherwise. (Perhaps figure this out before you start to play.) A quick bathroom break may be taken between 2nd and 3rd sets. (Be sure to make a pit stop before match begins if you think you need it-don't wait.)

**CARRYING THE BALL:** A player loses the point if, in playing the ball, she deliberately carries or catches it on her racquet or deliberately touches it with her racquet more than once.

**FOOT FAULTS AND LINE CALLS:** If there is a dispute regarding line calls or foot faults during a match, one person designated **from each team** may observe the lines, but will make a call only when asked.

(Ladies don't make yourself crazy. If you think you got a bad call, shake it off and move on. You can't get the point back or do it over. It doesn't help to hold on to negativity. If you've got issues with opponents, do your best to keep balls well in if possible. If it's obvious opponents are pulling something, follow the rule and call out someone to watch lines-but remember, that could also be a little nerve-racking too.)

**REACHING OVER THE NET TO HIT A BALL:** (not allowed-you lose the point). Same for hitting the net with any part of racket or body during the point. The only time you can reach

over the net is if someone hits a heavy spin ball that falls on your side of the net and bounces back over the net because of the wacky spin. You can actually reach over the net and tap the ball, but you can't touch net with your body or racquet.

**"IF PARTNERS DISAGREE ON A CALL, THE POINT GOES TO THE OPPONENT"**

NOTE: We have numbered balls 1-4 to correspond with the courts. (court 1 gets the #1 balls etc...) That should make it easy to keep the balls on the proper courts and less interruptions figuring out who gets what.

Be prepared. "Less confusion, more time to enjoy the game!"