

## **CLOTHING POLICY**

Squash Alberta Clothing Policy General Competitors participating in sanctioned Squash Alberta events must wear appropriate squash attire of any colour, provided it is not so conspicuous or brightly reflective as to distract their opponent. Players must dress and present themselves for play in a professional manner. Clothing must be clean, in good condition and be appropriate squash attire as defined in the following document.

Appropriate squash attire for men consists of a shirt, that provides full coverage of the mid-section, shorts, socks and non-marking court shoes. Compression shorts above the knee and full-length leggings can be worn only if worn under playing shorts. Compression socks, compression sleeves and long sleeve shirts are permitted. Undergarments must be worn to provide respectful and tasteful coverage.

Appropriate squash attire for women consists of a shirt or sleeveless shirt, that provides full-coverage of the mid-section, worn with a skirt, shorts or an athletic dress, socks and non-marking court shoes. Compression shorts above the knee and full-length leggings can be worn, only if worn under playing skirts, shorts or athletic dresses. Compression socks, compression sleeves and long

sleeve shirts are permitted. Undergarments must be worn to provide respectful and tasteful coverage.

The wearing of hats of any type, other than religiously required headwear, is not permitted. Headbands, wristbands and bandanas, which are designed to control perspiration and/or control hair are permitted, provided they are not so conspicuous or brightly reflective as to distract or unsight an opponent. Straps to secure approved protective eyewear can be worn.

Unacceptable attire for men includes: Boxing trunks, non-athletic shorts, denim, beachwear and tank tops/muscle shirts. Standalone compression shorts and leggings are not acceptable unless worn under appropriate shorts.

Other garments, such as part of or all-of a tracksuit, may be worn during play.

Unacceptable attire for women includes: boxing trunks, non-athletic shorts, denim and beachwear. Standalone leggings, compression shorts, full-length compression stockings and aerobic bodysuits of any description are not acceptable unless worn under appropriate shorts, a skirt or athletic dress.

No items of clothing can have any pictures, logos or verbiage that could be perceived, in any way, to be insulting, politically inciting, degrading, vulgar or harmful to any person or group of people.

If a host club maintains specific clothing requirements, these must be adhered to in addition to Squash Alberta's Clothing Policy. A club's clothing requirements must be included in the information as part of their application to host the tournament and in the tournament information provided to the participants in addition to Squash Alberta's Clothing Policy.

In all matters of judgement or opinion arising from the interpretation of Squash Alberta's Clothing Policy the decision of the Tournament Referee shall be final. The Tournament Referee may not rule illegal or unacceptable any item of clothing which has been approved by Squash Alberta's Clothing Policy.

If a violation of Squash Alberta's Clothing Policy occurs the player must be notified by the official prior to the start of their match. If the player is unable to adhere to Squash Alberta's Clothing Policy, the player will lose the match.

If the official fails to notify the player of the clothing violation prior to the start of their match, the player's clothing is deemed acceptable for the entire match. The official must address the Clothing Violation immediately after the match is completed so the player will not be in violation of Squash Alberta's Clothing Policy for subsequent matches. The match official can halt the match after play has begun and address a clothing violation only if, in their opinion, the clothing violation poses a safety hazard to either player or an unfair competitive advantage to the player in violation of the clothing policy.