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The Twelve Commandments of Square Dancing

1. You shall square dance only for the fun you will find in it.
2. You shall not be a snob, considering yourself too good to dance with any and all, sitting out the mixers, or leaving a square if you are required to dance with those you think are unworthy of your talents. YOU, too, can be the dancers to goof a square!
3. You will enjoy dancing, but not offend others.
4. You will visit other clubs and dance to other Callers/Cuers so that your opinion will be based on fact.
5. You will bathe diligently so that others may enjoy the fragrance of soap and antiperspirant.
6. You will not have a “visitor” arrive and sit on the sidelines, nor fail to speak to him/her.
7. You shall take care that your breath is not scented with an alcoholic beverage.
8. You will be faithful and loyal to your club and if you cannot do this, it will be better for you to leave the club and join one whose methods and members are more to your liking.
9. You will not harm the club by bickering and fault finding.
10. You will not forget that YOU were once a beginner.
11. You will not push, pull or drag a dancer around the square. Merely point the correct direction he/she should be taking.
12. You will always wear your club badge to all square and round dances.

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