

# PICKLEBALL COURT RULES & WAITING SYSTEM

## COURT RULES:

Private instruction for pay is prohibited without a permit. Those found instructing without a permit will be requested to leave and may be issued a citation.

Permit reservations are available, on a limited basis, for organized competitive play. Contact Park District Office for details, pricing, and availability.

No activities except racquet sports are allowed on the courts.

No food, drinks, pets, or music are allowed on the courts.

No profane / abusive behavior or language allowed.

Children accompanying players must be properly supervised.

RSRPD maintenance and sponsored recreation programs have priority on the courts.

*For concerns about violation of court rules, contact the Park District at (805) 584-4400.*

## PICKLEBALL WAITING SYSTEM:

### **WHEN PEOPLE ARE WAITING, THE FOLLOWING RULES APPLY**

Those waiting shall place their paddle in the Paddle Rack in the first available open slots. The "Next" indicator shows who has the next game and is shifted left to right when the incoming players take the court.

If there are more players waiting to play than available spaces in the Paddle Rack, players shall wait by placing their paddles under the Paddle Rack on the ground.

Pickleball play is on a rotational basis (4 on/4 off or 2 on/2 off) when all courts are in use and players are waiting. No new game can be started without checking the Paddle Rack for waiting players.

Games are played to 11 points, win by 2.

All players must fully vacate the court at the end of a game. Players finishing a game must place their paddles in the Paddle Rack after vacating the court if they wish to play again. Players may not have a paddle in the Paddle Rack and be playing simultaneously.

The next waiting group will take the vacated court. Groups must be 2 (singles) or 4 (doubles) players. All players must be present when their court becomes available.

\*Groups of 3 must immediately obtain a 4th player or relinquish the open court to the next group; however, they may continue to hold their place on the Paddle Rack while searching for a 4th player.

Players without a full complement for a doubles game may only hold the court for a maximum of 5 minutes then, if partners have not been found and a game has not started, they must vacate the court after a total of 10 minutes. It is hoped and expected that the players be courteous and respectful of others and volunteer to play!

If a foursome that has 1, 2 or 3 paddles in front of them wishes NOT to split up their foursome they do not have to. They should place their paddles accordingly in the second slot on the Paddle Rack and newer arriving players may place their paddle(s) in front of them.

Players MAY play a singles game even though players are waiting. They shall signify they wish to play singles by putting their paddles in the 2nd and 4th slot on the Paddle Rack. They follow the same rules as doubles - one game when people are waiting and then they must vacate the court.

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