

# PICKLEBALL RULES AND REGULATIONS

- By purchasing this admission ticket, you are aware that pickleball involves certain inherent risks, which may cause serious injury. You freely volunteer to participate and accept all known and unknown while on the pickleball court. Further, you release the facility, its sponsors, its operators and its equipment suppliers against any claims and all liability for any loss, damage, injury or expense you may incur. NO REFUNDS, NO CREDITS. NON-TRANSFERABLE. NO REPLACEMENTS.
- No running, horseplay, or unruly behavior on or off the court.
- No food or beverages allowed on the court.
- No smoking anywhere or at any time in Prospect Park.
- While on the court, no talking on cellphones, or holding cellphones, and no use of any portable electronic devices, i.e., cameras, IPods, headphones, ear buds, etc.
- Playing in a manner that, in the opinion of management or staff, endangers or interferes with other players' safety or pleasure, is strictly prohibited. Violation of this rule may result in ejection from the facility.
- Groups cannot gather anywhere on the court.
- Players are not permitted to carry or bring with them such items as handbags, cross-body bags, cameras, backpacks, cell phones or any other hand-held object..
- Courts are available on a first-come, first-served basis, unless you make an online reservation before you come to the park.
- Discrimination, bullying or harassment is unacceptable and won't be tolerated. Players violating the rules will immediately be asked to leave.
- Malicious incidents or destruction of property must be reported to rink guards or rink management immediately.
- Sitting or lying on the court for any length of time is not permitted.
- All players aged 13 and under must be supervised at all times by a parent or guardian (guardian must be 18 years of age or older).
- Coaching, teaching or instructing is not permitted except as authorized by rink management, whether or not the coach, teacher or instructor receives remuneration.

- No video or photography or any image capture is permitted, on or off the court.
- Management is not responsible for personal items missing, lost, stolen or left within or near court or facility.
- Report any injuries or hazards to staff immediately.
- Management reserves the right to ask anyone to leave the court or the facility at any time, for any reason.

Remember: Pickleball is only a game.

## How to Get in the Game

Learning how to play is very simple. It only takes an hour or two to learn the basics, then a player can be out on the court immediately playing a singles or doubles match with other people and having fun.

#### Here are the basics:

- A player must serve underhand, diagonally across the court.
- When the side that serves has a score in an even number, the server for that team plays from the right side of the court. A score in an odd number means that the server plays from the left side.
- There's a zone called "the kitchen" within 7 feet on both sides of the net. This is the "no-volley" zone, which means a player can only hit a ball from this zone if it bounces first.
- A ball touching any part of the line is "in." A serve that hits the kitchen is a fault.
- Points are scored by the team that serves, and up to 11 points and a team has to win by two points. Players must call the score clearly before each serve.
- Each side must let the ball bounce once before returning it. After those two bounces, you can either hit the ball before it bounces or off a bounce.
- The team that serves first gets only one chance to serve, until they commit a fault, which is any action that stops play because of a rule violation.

There you have it. Pickleball... it's fun, it's fast, it's easy, it's competitive...it's for everyone! For more information, contact usapickleball.com.

## **PLEASE NOTE**

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•ALWAYS PLAY ACCORDING TO PREVAILING CONDITIONS AND MANAGEMENT ADVICE.

### RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND WAIVER OF ALL CLAIMS BY PERSONS ENTERING THIS FACILITY

The participant and/or their parent(s) or guardian(s)s understand, acknowledge and agree that pickleball is an inherently dangerous and physically demanding activity. Participant assumes full responsibility for any risk of injury, property damage, or death while participating in activities at this establishment.

Participant and/or their parent(s) or guardian(s) hereby waive any and all claims including, but not limited to, bodily injury including death and property damage they may have against LeFrak Center at Lakeside, and all sponsors of the establishment and their subsidiaries, affiliates, partners, officers, directors, employees, agents, and volunteers arising out of Participant's use of the court and all surrounding areas.

Participants and/or their parent(s) or guardians hereby release and hold harmless LeFrak Center at Lakeside and all sponsors of the establishment and their subsidiaries, affiliates, partners, officers, directors, employees, agents, and volunteers from any and all liability for any loss, damage, or expense that the Participants or their respective heirs, assigns and legal representatives may suffer as a result of Participant's use of the court, from any cause whatsoever, including but not limited to, negligence or

breach of contract on the part of LeFrak Center at Lakeside, and all sponsors of the establishment, in the operation, supervision, design. maintenance, or condition of the surface or of all surrounding areas.

Participant agrees to abide by the "Pickleball Rules and Guidelines", as posted within the court area, for the use of the court and will follow the instructions of the operating staff of the court. Failure to follow these codes of conduct may result in the termination of Participant's use of the court and the surrounding areas without refund.

Participant permits LeFrak Center at Lakeside to use any photographs, videotapes, recordings or any other records taken while on the court premises for publicity, advertising, or any other legitimate purpose. By purchasing an admission ticket and/or entering the court area, you are aware that pickleball involves certain inherent risks which may cause serious injury or death. You freely volunteer to participate and accept all known and unknown risks while in the facility. Further, you release the facility, its owners, its sponsors, its operators, and its equipment suppliers against any claims and all liability for any loss, damage, injury, or expense you may incur.

—LeFrak Center at Lakeside