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Pickle Ball Tournament





Rules & Regulations

1. Categories

Men's Doubles
- 25+ Years
- 35+ Years
- 50+ Years

Women's Doubles
- 25+ Years
- 35+ Years
- 50+ Years

Mixed Doubles
- Open Category

Category Merger:

If any category receives fewer than 8 registered players (or equivalent participation required to conduct the event), it may be merged with the next higher age category at the sole discretion of the Tournament Committee

2. Match Format

Stage	Format	Points per Set
League, Quarterfinal & 3rd Place Match	Best of 3 sets	15 points
Semifinal & Final	Best of 3 sets	15 points

Note: The Tournament Committee reserves the right to change the number of points per set depending on the match schedule and time constraints.

3. Playing Format

- Minimum players per team: 4
- Players on court: 2 (Doubles)
- Match Format: Best of 3 Sets
- Official Ball: Franklin X Pickleball
- Court Size: Approximately 20 ft × 44 ft (subject to venue)
- Net Height: Approximately 3 ft
- Change of Ends: After every set and midway through the deciding (3rd) set
- Time-outs: One (1) timeout per team per set

4. Service Rules

Service

The server may use either:
- Volley Serve, or
- Drop Serve (after one bounce outside the court).

The serve must always be struck below waist level.

Serving Position

- The server must serve from behind the baseline.
- The server must stand between the centre line and the sideline extension.
- The server must not touch or cross the baseline while serving.

Valid Service

The serve must:

- Cross the net.
- Land diagonally in the opponent's service court.

A serve touching the net and landing in the correct service court is considered valid.

A serve is a fault if:

- It lands inside the Non-Volley Zone (Kitchen).
- It lands on the Kitchen line.

All other service lines are considered in.

Receiver

The player positioned diagonally opposite the server shall receive the serve after allowing the ball to bounce once.

5. Non-Volley Zone (Kitchen)

- The Non-Volley Zone extends approximately 7 feet from the net on both sides.
- Players may not volley while standing inside or touching the Kitchen, including the line.
- If a player's momentum carries them into the Kitchen after volleying, it is a fault.
- Players may enter the Kitchen only when playing a ball that has bounced.

6. Two-Bounce Rule

Following every serve:

1. The receiving team must allow the ball to bounce once before returning it.
2. The serving team must also allow the return to bounce once.

After these two mandatory bounces, either team may volley or play the ball after a bounce.

7. Service Sequence

- At the start of each set, the player on the right side serves first.
- The serving team continues serving until it loses a rally.
- If the serving team's score is:
  - **Even**: Serve from the right side.
  - **Odd**: Serve from the left side.
- When the serving team loses the rally, service passes to the opponents.
- The receiving team's server is determined by their score:
  - Even score – Right-side player serves.
  - Odd score – Left-side player serves

8. Team Composition

- Before the match begins, each team must submit the players participating in Set 1 and Set 2.
- Players for Set 3 must be submitted after completion of Set 2.
- A player who participates in Set 1 cannot participate in Set 2.
- Any eligible player may participate in Set 3.
- The same doubles pair used in Set 1 or Set 2 cannot be repeated in Set 3.
- In Set 3, each player may be substituted only once (including injury substitutions), provided no previous doubles pair is repeated.
- No substitutions are permitted for injured players during Set 1 or Set 2.

9. Faults

A fault occurs if:

- The ball touches any part of a player's body other than the hand up to the wrist holding the paddle.
- The same player or team hits the ball consecutively.
- A player touches the net during play.
- A player enters the opponent's court during a rally.
- A team fails to return a valid ball before it bounces twice.
- Any violation of the service, Kitchen, or Two-Bounce Rule occurs.

10. Scoring

- Every fault results in a point for the opposing team.
- If the score reaches deuce (point-all), play continues until one team gains a 2-point advantage to win the set

11. Referee's Decision

- The decisions of the Referee, Chief Referee, and Tournament Committee shall be final and binding.
- No protest shall be entertained against matters involving the referee's judgment during play.
- Players, team officials, and spectators are expected to maintain discipline and respect towards match officials at all times.
- Misconduct, abusive behaviour, or unsportsmanlike conduct may result in warnings, point penalties, match forfeiture, or disqualification at the discretion of the Tournament Committee.

12. Protest

- Only the Team Captain may lodge a protest.
- A protest must be submitted in writing within 30 minutes of the completion of the match.
- A non-refundable protest fee of ₹5,000 must accompany every protest.
- The Tournament Committee shall review the protest, and its decision shall be final and binding.

13. General Tournament Rules

- Only the Team Captain may communicate with the referee regarding appeals or objections.
- Non-marking shoes are compulsory on indoor courts.
- Teams must report to their assigned court within 3 minutes of the match announcement.
- Failure to report on time may result in disqualification, and the opposing team will be declared the winner.
- The Tournament Committee reserves the right to modify the tournament format, schedule, match timings, scoring system, categories, or rules whenever necessary in the interest of the event.
- By registering for the tournament, all participants agree to abide by these rules and accept the decisions of the Referee, Tournament Officials, and Tournament Committee as final.
- Any matter not covered in these rules shall be decided by the Tournament Committee, whose decision shall be final and binding

14. India Team Selection (World Sports Dental Summit 2027)

- Performance in the All India Sports Dental Summit 2027 (Global Edition) will be considered for India Team Selection for the World Sports Dental Summit 2027 (Mumbai, during World Dental Conference 2027).
- Selection will be based primarily on match results and overall performance in the relevant category.
- Shortlisted players must be available for the World Sports Dental Summit 2027 schedule and comply with team protocols.
- Final selection rests with the Selection Committee/IDA, considering performance, discipline, fitness, and event requirements.
- IDA reserves the right to conduct additional trials or verification if required.