

# Pickleball Guidelines

**OPTIONS:** Beginner, Recreational and Competitive Pickleball options are available and noted on the Program Schedule. All options are casual play, and will not be monitored, refereed, or evaluated by YMCA staff. Drop in participants are responsible to self-govern rules, and to ensure everybody is included and receives fair court time.

**FORMAT:** 4 vs 4 players.

- Games go to 11 points. Teams must win by 2 points.
- If more than 12 people are waiting to get on court, first to 9 points win.

**ROTATION STRUCTURE:** 4 baskets on the floor, each holding 4 paddles.

- Upon arrival, find an open court space or place your paddle in one of the baskets on the floor.
- When a court opens up, the players whose paddles are in the basket closest to the door, enter the gym and begin play.
- The now empty basket gets placed at the end of the row and the baskets advance to the next position.
- When a game ends, the teams leave the court and place their paddles in the baskets at the end of the line. A paddle can go in any basket that has space.
- If you are new and have questions about this rotation, please ask another player. Everyone is more than willing to help you.

**CODE OF CONDUCT:**

- The YMCA values are Caring, Respect, Honesty, Responsibility and Belonging. We expect all players to remember and abide by them.
- Do not take part in, or tolerate, behaviour or speech that demoralizes, embarrasses, or negatively affects the self-esteem of anyone.
- Abusive, disrespectful, or violent language will not be tolerated.

**FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH CODE OF CONDUCT MAY RESULT IN MEMBERSHIP SUSPENSION.**