

Current USA Official Pickleball Rules will prevail with the addition of the following in-house rules. USA Pickleball Rulebook can be found at: <https://usapickleball.org/what-is-pickleball/official-rules/>

PLAYER ELEGIBILITY AND TEAM STRUCTURE

1. Minimum age for players is 18 years or older by the first day of league play.
2. Rosters minimums must be submitted in-person or via email to the league director **before** your first match.
3. In mixed leagues, you do not need to have an equal number of men and women rostered, but **match play must consist of 1 male and 1 female**. You may also play with two women in the event of needing a substitute, but two men will not be allowed to play together in the mixed leagues.
4. No new substitutes are allowed for playoffs.

MANAGER'S DUTIES

1. Make sure you have a team ready for each week and contact a substitute if needed.
2. You, the manager, must handle any dispute.
3. You are responsible for taking charge of your team's and your spectator's conduct.
4. Any schedule information, changes or other league information will be sent to you. Make sure we have your current address for the current season and next year. It is your responsibility to pass the information on to your team.
5. Know the rules and review the rules with your team. This will help the match run smoothly and help your team concentrate on playing.

LEAGUE PLAY

1. The adult pickleball league consists of 5 nights of "regular season" matches followed by a season ending playoff tournament.
2. Each night of gameplay will consist of 2 matches against different opponents, with 3 games in each match. You will play all 3 games per opponent. Each game winner will be the first team to 11 points, win by 2. This has a hard cap of 15, so a team may win by a score of 15-14.
3. All matches will be held at Colby Lake Park, 9715 Valley Creek Road (unless otherwise notified)
4. Each match will have a hard stop at 40 minutes to allow for schedule to stay on track. Whichever team is winning at the 40-minute mark will be awarded with a victory, using the score of that game when stopped. If the score is equal at the stoppage, the next point wins.
5. A 10-minute grace period will be given to each team after the time of the scheduled start. If a team does not show up within those 10 minutes, the match will result in an 11-0 forfeit for each game.
6. There will be a 2-3-minute break in between games, if both teams elect to use it. There will not be any timeouts allowed, unless there is a medical emergency. There will be a 5-minute break in between matches during the night.
7. The home team (listed first on the schedule) will decide on either side of their choosing OR first serve to start the game. Teams will switch sides for game 2 and switch again for game 3.
8. Please make sure you are able to play each week or have a sub in place if needed. Forfeits take away from the fun and are highly discouraged. Teams will be removed from the league after missing a total of 2 weeks. Please reach out to the league director for potential substitutes throughout the regular season. Anyone NOT on your submitted roster is ineligible for playoffs.

EQUIPMENT

All teams must provide their own paddles. The City of Woodbury will be providing game balls for teams to use throughout the duration of the night. If teams arrive early to warm up, please provide your own warm up balls. The game balls will be provided on the first night of play and are yours to keep after the season concludes.

COURT LIGHTS

The button to activate lights is located on a pole near the entrance (patio area). Activated lights will stay on for one hour. To keep lights on, press the button again within the hour to reset the timer. Lights will automatically turn off at 10:15 p.m.

SCORECARDS

1. Scores can be submitted via the QR code posted at the pickleball courts. The link to report scores can also be found here- <https://forms.office.com/g/AUtOyp2YYS>
2. **The home team, which will be the first listed on the schedule, will be the team that fills out the scorecard for that match.** If you cannot submit scores on site via the QR code provided, please email to noah.ranem@woodburymn.gov by 9:00am the following morning.

STANDINGS

1. Over the course of the regular season, each team will play 10 matches, with a total of 30 games within those 10 matches.
2. All 3 games are played per opponent, as each game is worth a win or loss in the standings.
 - a. Example: If a team's scores for the night are 11-5, 11-6, 8-11. They won 2 games and lost 1. This will result in a record of 2-1 for that match.
 - b. Example: If a team's scores for the night are 11-3, 11-8, 11-9. They won 3 games and lost 0. This will result in a record of 3-0 for that match.
3. There will be a point system correlating with the win-loss record. A game win is 1 point, and a game loss is 0 points.

PLAYOFFS

1. Following the regular season there will be a season ending playoff tournament.
2. The format of this playoff will be either bracket or pool play, depending on number of teams.
3. If there are any tied records between multiple teams in the regular season, the following tiebreakers will be used in order to determine playoff seeding.
 - a. Head-to-head between the teams
 - b. Season long point differential
 - c. Fewest points allowed during season
 - d. Coin flip
4. Awards will be given to top finishers in the playoff tournament.

WEATHER

1. Any cancellations due to weather will be made up at the end of the schedule if possible. If a rain out occurs, the league director will contact all of the team captains to notify them of the cancellation. If lightning occurs while teams are playing, play must be immediately suspended, and cannot resume until 30 mins since the last visible strike. **The weatherline can be reached at 651-714-3569 after 4:30pm, and will be updated as frequently as possible.**

Woodbury League Ratings

Recreational: Newer players or those looking for a more social level of play each night. Players should have a basic understanding of rules, scoring, and game play.

Competitive: Experienced players, faster play and longer rallies. Players should understand shot placement and court positioning.

Woodbury does not upload scores or request player ratings from DUPR. Please register for the league above that best suite your skill level and expectations for play.