

Penticton Pickleball Club (PPC) Procedures

1. **PPC Club Times** are listed on a sign posted at the courts as well as on the PPC website.
2. **Fees:** annual or drop-in fees are to be paid to PPC before playing during club hours. A waiver must be on file before you play.
3. **Sign in** on sign-in sheet before going on the courts during scheduled drop-in times.
4. **Drop in** is open to all members. Non-members must pay a \$5 drop in fee to the court host each time they play. Drop-in play makes use of two paddle rack systems to determine court playing order. There is no limit on the number of players lining up for drop-in play.
5. **Programmed times (other than drop-in)** are open only to members unless the Captain deems there is room for a non-member to be included. Non-members must pay a \$5 fee each time they play and have a waiver on file. If a court is not being used, the event captain may, *at their discretion*, release the court for member play. Regularly scheduled PPC programs may be cancelled due to special events. Event captains will have a participant capacity number on their programs.
6. **Reserved courts**
All players booking reserved courts **must be** club members. Courts may be booked on-line up to 7 days in advance. Members may only book one court per day. If a court has not been claimed after ten minutes of the scheduled time, it is open to other members to play on. (e.g. 10:00 AM booking not claimed by 10:11 AM is open to other members to play on). Bookable courts may be overwritten, without notice, by club events such as court cleaning or social events.
7. **“Big fence” side serves first.**
8. **Players must be 16 years of age or over.**
9. **No alcoholic beverages are permitted on the courts.**
10. **Non-glass water bottles are permitted on the courts.**
11. **Equipment bags/backpacks are not permitted on the courts.** Bags may be hung on the outside of the fence. Place them so they don't obstruct the view of the spectators.
12. **Return the pickleballs to their holders after your match.** Any cracked pickleballs should be placed in the damaged pickleball container at the courts. If you are the last group on the court in the morning and in the evening and the storage bin is locked, place balls through the hole in back of the storage bin.
13. **Lost and found articles** will be placed in the storage bin for short-term storage. Articles not claimed within a reasonable time will be taken to the Lost and Found at the Penticton Recreation Centre.

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14. Safety:

- **Never play on a wet court.** It is extremely dangerous. One way to check a damp court surface is to press your toe down firmly and make a twisting motion. If you leave an obvious “wet” spot, it’s too wet to play.
- **The use of proper eye protection is highly recommended for all players.**
- **If you suffer an injury,** an Incident Report is to be filled out. Court hosts and event captains can access these forms in the storage bin. These forms are then kept on file for our insurance carrier.

15. **Player skill levels** may be accessed to determine player abilities at the discretion of the rating committee. Rating descriptions can be found on the club website.