

# PICKLEBALL COURT RULES & WAITING SYSTEM

## COURT RULES:

1. RAP issued permits must be obtained for private instruction. Visit the park office for pricing and availability. (L.A.M.C. SEC. 63.44)
2. Court reservations are available on a limited basis.
3. No activities except racquet sports are allowed on the courts.
4. No food, drinks, pets, or music are allowed on the courts. (Exception: Service Animals.)
5. Profane/abusive language and/or unsportsmanlike behavior is prohibited.
6. Children must be properly supervised at all times.
7. Routine maintenance and RAP sponsored recreation programs have priority.

*For concerns about violation of court rules, contact the park office.*

## PICKLEBALL WAITING SYSTEM:

**WHEN PEOPLE ARE WAITING, THE FOLLOWING GROUP/OPEN PLAY RULES APPLY:**

1. Those waiting shall place their paddle in the Paddle Rack in the first available open slots. The “Next” indicator shows who has the next game and is shifted left to right when the incoming players take the court.
2. If there are more players waiting to play than available spaces in the Paddle Rack, players shall wait by placing their paddles under the Paddle Rack on the ground and then move the group of paddles to the rack when a spot opens.
3. Pickleball play is on a rotational basis (4 on/4 off or 2 on/2 off) when all courts are in use and players are waiting. No new game can be started without checking the Paddle Rack for waiting players.
4. Games are played to 11 points, win by 2.
5. All players must fully vacate the court at the end of a game, and call out, “open court.” Players finishing a game must place their paddles in the Paddle Rack after vacating the court if they wish to play again. Players may not have a paddle in the Paddle Rack and be playing simultaneously.
6. The next waiting group will take the vacated court. Groups of 4 (doubles) players must be present when their court becomes available when players are waiting.
7. If a foursome that has 1, 2, or 3 paddles in front of them wishes NOT to split up their foursome, they do not have to. They should place their paddles accordingly in the second slot on the Paddle Rack and newer arriving players may place their paddle(s) in front of them.

For more information, please visit us at [laparks.org/pickleball](http://laparks.org/pickleball)



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