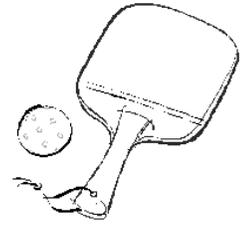


Application for 2017-18 Pickleball Ladder League/Open Play

Wisconsin Rapids Parks & Recreation

The City of Wisconsin Rapids Parks & Recreation Department
is offering a Fall/Winter Pickleball Ladder League!



- Matches begin November 13, 2017.
- Ladder League games start at 7:15 p.m. / Open Play: 7:30-9:30 p.m.
- All matches will be played at the East Junior High Fieldhouse.
- League Player Fee: \$20 per person, due upon registration; Punch Cards: \$20 Resident / \$30 Non-Resident*
- Registration Deadline: October 13, 2017 (Limited number of entries!)

Ladder Leagues: No Partner Necessary; players will be seeded according to skill level. Players will be placed on the league ladder according to their winning percentage each week.

* Non-Residency is any location outside of the Wisconsin Rapids city limits; i.e., Biron, Grand Rapids, Kellner, Nekoosa, Port Edwards, Rudolph, Saratoga, etc. Even if your address is Wisconsin Rapids, you are not considered a resident if you live in a surrounding community. If you have a question about your residency, please give us a call.

Monday Evenings

Ladder League – Mixed

10-Visit Punch Card

Resident (\$20)

Non-Resident (\$30)

Player's Information

Name: _____ Email Address: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____ Birthdate: _____

I, as an adult participant or as the legal guardian or parent of the minor child participant named above (hereinafter both adult and minor participants called "Participant"), recognize and acknowledge that there are certain risks of serious injury, death and property damage. Knowing all of these risks, I agree to allow participation in this program and assume the full risk of any injuries, damage or loss which the Participant may sustain as a result of participating in any and all activities connected with or associated with this program. In consideration of participation in this event, I, individually and on behalf of any named minor Participant, voluntarily release and discharge, indemnify and hold harmless, the City of Wisconsin Rapids, (its elected officials, commissions and commissioners, officers, employees, volunteers and agents), from any and all claims, liability, cost and expense, arising out of or connected to participation in this event. This waiver and release is binding on the Participant's heirs, dependents, executors, administrators and assigns.

In the event of an emergency, I consent and authorize medical treatment deemed necessary for the Participant's immediate care and agree that I will be responsible for payment of any and all medical services rendered.

I understand that photographs or videos may be taken of the Participant during the program. I allow the Participant's image to be used in published materials and websites that promote the City of Wisconsin Rapids Parks and Recreation Department, and I agree that I will not receive compensation for use of these photographs or videos. In the event I do not wish to have the Participant's image used, I will notify the City at registration for the program.

Signature _____

Date _____

Return with payment to:

City of Wisconsin Rapids, Parks & Recreation Department,
444 West Grand Avenue, Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54495-2780



Take Time for Fun!
Wisconsin Rapids Parks & Recreation

Pickleball League Rules and Regulations

Players are responsible for informing their team of the rules, schedule changes, etc.

***As consideration of being permitted to participate in activities sponsored by the Parks & Recreation Department, each participant agrees to assume all liability for injury and damages resulting from such participation and agrees to hold the City of Wisconsin Rapids and the Parks & Recreation Department free and harmless of account of any act or commission, commission or negligence of said City or Department or any act of their offices, agents or employees. Participation in any athletic event will not be denied any individual for reason of race, creed, color, sex or ability.*

Player Fees:

- \$20.00, non-refundable

Registration:

- Individuals must register by **October 13, 2017** through the City of Wisconsin Rapids Parks & Recreation Department or online at parks.wirapids.org (click "Online Registration" at left).
- No person will be allowed to register without payment or completed registration form.

Player Eligibility:

- **AGE:** All players must be at least 13 years of age or older.
- All players or guardian must legibly print and sign concussion form prior to league play.

Game Time:

- Games will be played as scheduled.
- Cancellations will be announced on Facebook (Wisconsin Rapids Parks & Recreation), and players will be notified by email or text based on contact information provided.

Game Day Guidelines:

- **Balls:** The Parks & Recreation Department will supply game ball. Alternate game ball may be used if agreed by players.
- **Children:** Children must remain seated on bleachers and accompanied by a non-playing parent, guardian or babysitter.
- **Blood:** Any player who starts bleeding for any reason during a game must come out of the game until the bleeding subsides or until the bleeding area is covered and blood is not visible through the bandage.
- **First Aid:** The City of Wisconsin Rapids will supply first aid kit with cold packs, bandages and tape for all the games.

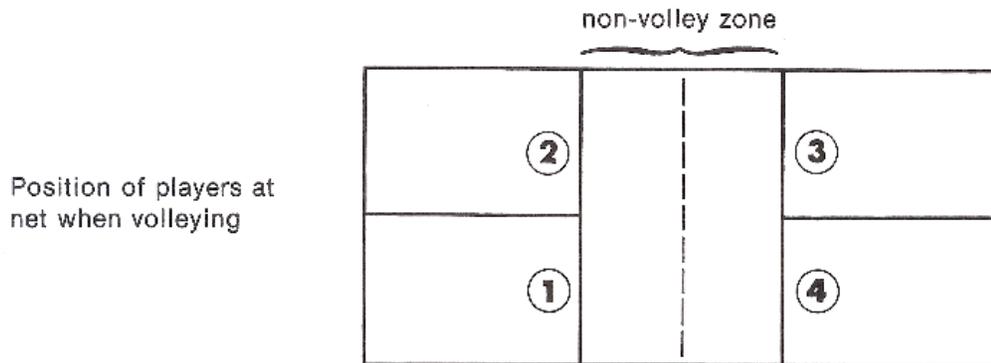
Game Time/Serve:

- Players may toss a coin to determine the serving team. Winner of the toss has the option of serving first or receiving.
- A match will consist of three games to 11 points, serving team only. There is no cap; win by 2 points.
- Players must keep one foot behind the back line when serving.
- The serve is made underhand. The paddle must pass below the waist. The server must hit the ball in the air on the serve. (The server may NOT bounce it and then hit it.)
- The service is made diagonally cross court and must clear the non-volley zone.
- Only one serve attempt is allowed, except if the ball touches the net on the serve and lands in the proper service court. Reserve will be granted.
- At the start of each new game, the first serving team is allowed only one fault before giving up the ball to the opponents.
- Thereafter both members of each team will serve and fault before the ball is turned over to the opposing team.
- When receiving team wins the serve, the player in the right hand court will always start play.

- Upon completion of match, player/s will sign to verify the scores on the score sheet.
- Parks & Recreation Department will supply game ball. Alternate game ball may be used if agreed by both captains.
- All players must leave the building 10 minutes after the last match ends.

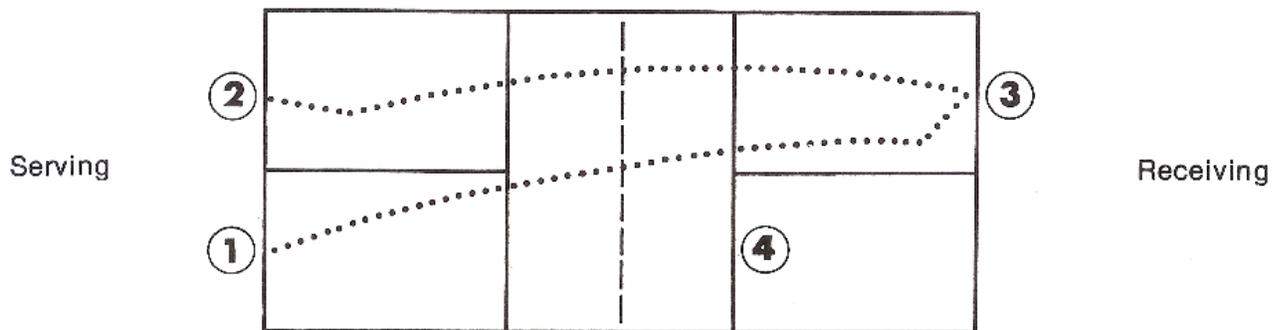
Volley:

- To volley a ball means to hit it in the air without first letting it bounce. All volleying must be done with player's feet behind the non-volley zone line. Note: It is a fault if the player steps over the line on his volley follow through.



Double Bounce Rule:

- Each team must play their first shot off the bounce. That is, the receiving team must let the serve bounce, and the serving team must let the return of the serve bounce before playing it. After the two bounces have occurred, the ball can be either volleyed or played off the bounce.



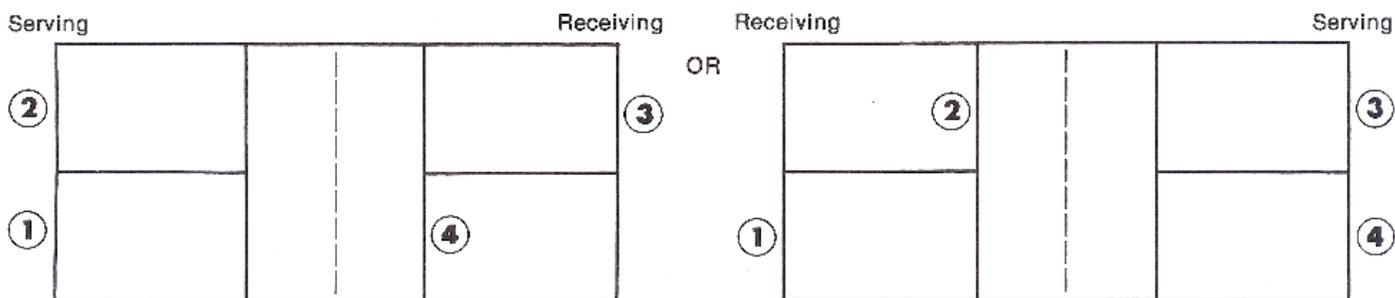
Fault:

- Hitting the ball out of bounds
- Not clearing the net
- Stepping into the non-volley zone and volleying the ball
- Volleying the ball before it has bounced once on each side of the net, serving.

Scoring:

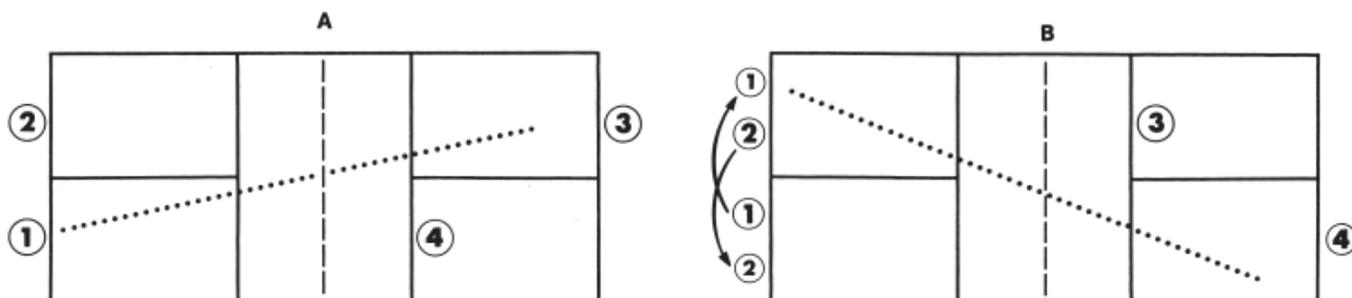
- A team shall score a point only when serving.
- A player who is serving shall continue to do so until a fault is made by his team.
- The game is played to 11 points, must win by 2 points.
- A ball landing on any line is considered good.

Position of Players for Doubles at Start of Game



Doubles Play:

- Player in RIGHT HAND court (1) serves diagonally a cross court to receiver (3) in opposite RIGHT HAND court.
- The ball must clear the non-volley zone and land in the RIGHT HAND serving court.
- The receiver (3) must let the ball bounce before returning the serve.
- Serving team must also let the return bounce before playing it.
- After two bounces have occurred, the ball may then be either volleyed or played off the bounce, until a fault is made.
- If the fault is made by the receiving team, a point is scored by the serving team. When serving team wins a point, its players will switch courts and the same player will continue to serve.
- When the serving team makes its first fault, players will stay in the same court and the second partner will then serve. When they make their second fault they will stay in the same courts and turn the ball over to the other team.
- Players switch courts only after scoring.



Time Outs:

- Each team will be allowed 1 time out per game.

Grace Period:

- Grace period is 10 minutes after the designated game time to start the first game. Then, five minutes after that to forfeit the last two games.

Player Conduct:

- No hats.
- The City of Wisconsin Rapids Parks & Recreation Department Leagues require strict enforcement and compliance with MSTC and School Board rules of **no smoking, no food consumption and no alcoholic beverages, as well as no horseplay** by adults and children or dependents of players in the school halls and locker rooms. Please cooperate so we do not lose the privilege to use the facilities by the Board of Education or MSTC. Children must be supervised by an adult/guardian/babysitter and to remain seated as spectators. (Remember that MSTC hosts night classes.)

- No street shoes or bare feet are allowed on gym floors. Any player or spectator breaking this rule shall be ejected from the league.
- Unsportsmanlike conduct, disorderly conduct, such as profanity, abusive or obscene language, excessive jockeying and baiting, etc., will not be allowed by players or spectators. We have ZERO TOLERANCE rule. Simply, person will be ejected from the league; spectator will not be allowed to spectate for the remainder of the season.
- Teams are responsible for their spectators. Unsportsmanlike actions by spectators can subject teams to penalty.
- If there are trash cans at your gym, please use them. If not, please take your litter with you.

Make-Up Games:

- Games called off due to weather will be rescheduled by the Parks & Recreation Department.
- Players will be notified of the time and site by email and posted on our Wisconsin Rapids Parks & Recreation Department Facebook page.

Uniform Rule:

- All purpose shoes or sneakers are permitted.
- Pants, shorts or sweat pants may be worn, any color or style.
- Undershirts are allowed, no restrictions.