

CODE OF CONDUCT

As a participant of the Swift Current Pickleball Club, all players agree to conduct themselves in a courteous and respectful manner both on the courts and when observing play. All participants are reminded that the goal is to provide an environment where all players can play the game to the best of their physical ability and most importantly “have fun” while doing so. This code applies to all organized pickleball events.

Our goal is to promote the growth and development of pickleball. Players must embrace the values of good sportsmanship. It is important that all players and spectators, in promoting this goal, model good behaviour, lead by example, display respect and show self control.

Safety

- Ensure health and safety of all players at all times.
- Play within your physical abilities – remember, you are playing for FUN, reduce the risk of injury.
- If a ball enters other court, STOP PLAY immediately, call “ball on court” to warn other players. Wait for the other court players to return the ball.

Respect

- Respect all levels of skill and ability. Play with all skill levels.
- Recognize skill levels of opponents and where appropriate enable lesser skilled beginners – work on your short game, work on ball placement. Mentor and offer advice kindly. Do not intimidate weaker players or dominate the game. Play to have fun.
- Number of players – if players are waiting for courts consider reducing the game score to quicken play, ie. Play up to 9, not requiring to win by 2 points.
- Be respectful of people’s sensitivities and voiced concerns.
- Treat the facility, equipment and others with respect.

Sportsmanship

- Good sportsmanship is the rule
- Exhibit fairness and honesty in dealing with others
- Receiving team makes line calls. Clearly state “in” or “out”.
- Give advice on play OFF COURT. Do not delay game play.
- Honor system – call yourself or partner if in the kitchen or service faults.