



Code of Conduct

Conduct yourself in a courteous and respectful manner both on the courts and when observing others playing while awaiting your turn. Remember that the goal is to provide an environment where all players can play the game to the best of their ability and most importantly “have fun” while doing so. Model good behavior, lead by example, display respect, and show self-control.

Every player involved in LCPC pickleball pledges as follows:

- I will not engage in unsportsmanlike conduct or encourage others to do so.
- I will not engage in any behavior that would endanger the health, safety or well-being of others.
- I will not engage in the use of profanity.
- I will not engage in any type of commercial or non-commercial solicitation activities at the LCPC courts or on any LCPC sponsored communication tools (LCPC GroupMe groups, Facebook page, eMail address lists, etc.).
- I will treat the facility, equipment, and others with respect.
- I will exhibit fairness and honesty in my dealings with others.
- I will observe the Golden Rule of doing unto others as I would have them do unto me.
- I will always remember that pickleball is a game, and I am playing it to have FUN.

***Failure to abide by this Code may result in disciplinary action having to be taken by the LCPC.
Significant violations of this Code should be reported to the Board.***



Court Etiquette

- Everyone was (or is) a beginner at one time. Everyone appreciates the time given to “assist” all levels of players with rules, set up, specific plays, etc. If you are an “advanced” player, please adjust your style when playing with beginners – work on your short game, work on ball placement. Mentor and offer advice kindly and with discretion. Do not intimidate weaker players or dominate a game. Play to have fun.
- Courts 1 and 2 are designated for community play at all times (4 in, 4 out after one game if others are waiting). Courts 1 and 2 may only be used during LCPC times if they are not being used by non-LCPC players. The courts must be vacated after the game is complete if non-LCPC players are waiting to play.
- As a general rule during any club play, the higher the court number, the higher the expected level of play. During LCPC times (grey) that are open to all skill levels,
- Where courts are available at any level and players at another level are waiting to play, they should use the available court for one game and move back to their designated courts if there are members of the designated level waiting to play
- If you are unsure of your level, start at the lower courts and move up as you feel comfortable and are winning the majority your games. Please be patient and understanding...even with these guidelines, there will still be games with skill level differences. In these cases, please refer to the first etiquette point above.
- On completion of the first game on a court, losers of the match must vacate the court. Winners may stay on the court but are expected to split up for the next game. For all games thereafter, players who have been on the court for 2 games must vacate the court to allow for players who have been waiting to play. If you want to play as a group of 4, please do so during community (yellow) times as club time is designed to be social and inviting by rotating 2 players in and 2 out at all times.
- Recognize and compliment your partner and opponents when they make good shots. Apologize for bad or inappropriate remarks immediately.
- Call out the score every time you serve so that your opponents can hear the score. Call out your score first, then the opponents score and, finally, if you are the first server or the second server.