

Mixed Doubles Pickleball Tournament Rules and Regulations

Welcome to The Arctic Rec Center's Mixed Doubles Pickleball Tournament! Below you will find our tournament's rules and regulations as well as a descriptive overview of the structure of play, assignment of partners, and any other relevant information we would like you to know. We ask that you review the information provided below in its entirety before competing in our tournament AND that you will adhere to these rules throughout the tournament.

Structure of Play:

After you submit your registration, it will go straight to our email. Once we receive it, we will assign you a number (**1-120**) via a random number generator. This will determine what pool you will play in during the Pool Play (round robin) portion of our tournament and who you will be competing against.

Our mixed doubles tournament is open to a maximum of 120 players (60 males and 60 females). The tournament will consist of two main components: Pool Play (round robin) and single elimination tournament play (aka the "money rounds"). We will have 6 courts of game play going on simultaneously throughout the tournament.

Pool Play:

Our tournament will start off with Pool Play which will consist of 5 rounds. Players will be divided into 10 pools consisting of 12 players each (6 males and 6 females). For our individually ranked system, partners will be randomized for each round of Pool Play. Pool Play will give you a chance to build up your score and accumulate as many points as possible. At the end of each round, every individual will have their own score, dependent on how many points you scored during that specific round. Once the 5th round of game play has concluded, your total score (sum of points you accumulated each round), will be calculated as well as your ranking for your pool. Your total score and ranking will determine which bracket you are placed in for the single-elimination portion of our tournament.

Single-elimination Tournament Play (aka the "money rounds"):

Based on your total score and ranking, you will be placed into 1 of 2 brackets, a winner's bracket or a loser's bracket. The winner's bracket will consist of the top 6 scorers of each pool and the loser's bracket will consist of the bottom 6 scorers of each pool. Once you are placed into your bracket, you will be assigned your final partner at random. Unlike the pool play, this will remain your partner for the remainder of the tournament. From there, it is a standard single-elimination tournament and a fight for the winner's spot and a chance at winning a tournament prize!

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Important to Note:

Why is everything randomized?

We are determined to keep this tournament as fair as possible, which is why we are instilling that the entirety of the tournament be randomized! No age brackets, no skill ranking, no selecting partners. Everything will be randomized. It also gives you an invaluable opportunity to play and compete with new people, make new friends, and cultivate a more close-knit community!

Pickleball Rules

If you have questions regarding the Official Pickleball Rules or 2023 Rule Revisions or would simply just like a refresher on the rules please refer to the link below for more information.

<https://usapickleball.org/what-is-pickleball/official-rules/>

USA Pickleball Sportsmanship Guide:

We ask that you please demonstrate good sportsmanship by displaying the following:

- You will treat all players, staff, and spectators with courtesy and respect.
- You will practice excellent sportsmanship when making line calls and agree to call a fault on yourself or your partner as soon as the fault occurs, regardless of whether your opponents are aware of the fault.
- You will rotate on and off the court fairly and courteously.
- You will make safety a priority, while using common sense.
- Be a respectful and supportive partner.
- Most of all, you are agreeing to having a great time and HAVE FUN!

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Tournament Prizes:

1st Place: \$500

2nd Place: \$250

3rd Place: \$150

Plus, 10 random drawings throughout the tournament for certificates of one hour of free court time (value of \$100) or pickleball punch cards (value of \$50)*. **These drawings will be done via a random number generator. (The same generator used to assign you your placement in the bracket).*

****Cash prizes will be split amongst the partners. See below for more details:**

1st Place: \$250 for each partner

2nd Place: \$125 for each partner

3rd Place: \$75 for each partner