

# Pickleball Team League (PTL)

## Team League

### FAQs

1. **What is Pickleball Team League/Team Tournament?**

It is a type of League / Tournament where players meet to play different teams with a minimum of 6 players (3 women & 3 men) maximum 8 players. 2 of those players can play as a backup or to make changes during your schedule gameday.

2. **What is the Pickleball League Level?**

This is a type of league format that is played by the entire team. This is for ***pickleball players who would like to improve their skills***. This league will be play by point accumulation, so every single point on each game counts.

3. **What is the playing format?**

Women's Doubles 3 Games (1 court), Men's Doubles, 3 Games (1 court), and Mixed Doubles 6 Games (2 courts). Note: Singles will not be available at this time, but we may include this, in the future.

4. **How is my team assembled?**

The ideal is to have a team lead/captain who finds their players for his/her team. Please note, the captain can be a ***female or male and does not need to be a specific level***. We can assist you by providing you a recommended list of players that we have selected for this pilot league.

*Note: You can assemble your own team, we just need to know if you will be the captain.*

5. **How do I choose my team's name?**

We will use a name of a country as our team's name. Assignments are first come, first served.

6. **Can I play in two teams?**

No, this is a team effort, and you will only be allowed to play with the team you signed up with. In addition, you cannot substitute for another team on the same league.

7. **When does this league start?**

Target Date: September 2022

Depending how soon we get some teams assembled. If you are interested to captain, please email us.

8. **What is the cost of the Team Pickleball League?**

The cost will be \$30.00 per player (PVB Members), Non-Members \$60.00 This is a non-refundable fee. Become a member, support our club and the sport you love. If you are interested in membership, please let me know.

9. **How long does the league last?**

This is a pilot league and will be between 4 to 6 weeks for now. The number or weeks could change based on the number of teams who sign up. To start with this league, we plan to have 5 to 6 teams but if we only get 4 teams, we will play twice the same team.

10. **When is the payment due?**

The payment is due one week before the league starts.

**11. Whom do I pay?**

Payments need to be collected by captains and pay for the whole team. Captains will pay the organizers via Cash, PayPal, Zelle or Venmo

**12. When and where do we play the matches for this league?**

For this pilot league, the plan is to play this league Friday 6:00 PM and finishing by 8:30 PM Playing on 2-3 courts depending on the number of teams. This may change in the future if we want to keep playing a larger league.

If you plan to play indoors due to weather, you will have to arrange with your opponent team (s).

*Note: Players will need to cover the rental court fees, this recreational league does not reimburse indoor court fees.*

**13. How do I know if I/we am/are the home team or visitor team?**

This will be determined based on a racquet spin or tossed coin. The winner of the spin or coin toss will have the option to serve or choose a court side. Both teams will provide new ball(s) Franklin X-40 Green.

**14. Can we makeup matches in case of bad weather (rain)?**

Yes, you can reschedule your match.

If you have already begun to play and suddenly start raining, you can make a note of the current scores, so when you reschedule your match, you know where you were at.

As a suggestion, please text or email the current score to your opponent(s), who is serving & side of court, etc. so you have record of it. As a second option, you can negotiate to start over the whole game (all must agree).

**15. What will happen if I do not complete my matches by the time allowed?**

Players that are planning to sign up for the league, should determine if their schedule can handle the commitment. Approved substitutes may be used for players that experience injuries or other unexpected situations. Please request approval from the organizer(s). *Note: Players already registered in the same league cannot be a substitute player for another team. The player will have to be same equal/level of play as the rest of the group to be allowed to substitute.*

**16. Where do I enter or keep track of my scores?**

a) You will receive a score sheet that you can use to keep record of your scores (points accumulated).

b) You are required to send an email to text to the organizer(s) the scores after the matches are completed or within 24 hours.

Use the following format: Winner: Team Poland – Women doubles 11 points, Men’s doubles 9 Mixed doubles 1<sup>st</sup> court 12, Mixed doubles 2<sup>nd</sup> court 11. Total points = sum of all points of each game 43

Runner-up: Team Costa Rica: Women doubles 8 points, Men’s doubles 11 Mixed doubles 1<sup>st</sup> court 10, Mixed doubles 2<sup>nd</sup> court 9. Total points = sum of all points of each game 38

Per the example above, Team Poland accumulated 43 points and Team Costa Rica 38.

Remember, each point on each game counts. *Note: This may change depending on feedback when teams go over 11 points. Maximum number of points to allow to accumulate per game is 11 points. So, if your score goes 13-11 you will record 11-9 on your scoresheet. We will support you on the first and/or second game if you need assistance with the scores.*

**17. As a Team Captain how do I contact the other Team Captain and/or players?**

We may use an app to communicate via text, email, or phone call.

To respect and protect the player's privacy, captains will be the main point of contact. We do not recommend sharing any player's contact information with anyone (especially outside of the group) without authorization. In case you do not have access to the information, you can contact the organizer for assistance.

**18. Are there any prizes?**

Yes. Since this will be a pilot league, only the 1<sup>st</sup> place will receive a prize. This will change to 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place eventually. The winner will be the team who has accumulated most of the total points of their games played.

**19. Can I invite my friends/colleagues to play Pickleball Team League (PTL)?**

Absolutely, but after this pilot league has been completed. This is a recreational type of tournament / league for anyone who wants to play; player(s) must follow the rules and be the same level. If you are planning to invite someone who does not play at PVB, please informed the organizers first. The new player contact information will be required.

**20. Why should I participate or what are the benefits of this league?**

- a) It forces you to play at your best every single point; your teammates will depend on you.
- b) As team member or team captain, you will have the option to coach your teammates.
- c) Meet players, to practice and improve your pickleball skills.
- d) You will help to promote and grow the sport that allows people from all ages to play.
- e) Lower cost than Tennis or other sport leagues.
- f) It is a fun social event where you can support and cheer your teammates after the end of each point.
- g) It does not affect your rating or ranking if you have one.

**Additional Information:** Newer players (Entry Level) only, if no men are available for this league, we will make it for women only. No entry level teams, are required to have men on their team to play mixed.

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