



iPickle La Habra Fall 2022 League

League Fees & Team Rosters: \$ 180.00 per team. The fee is due at registration. NO member discount will be applied.

New players must turn in a signed waiver and a copy of their ID. The full final roster, signed waivers, and copies of valid photo ID are due **NO later than November 1, 2022**. The packet must be submitted by the team captain either via email or hard copies. Each team will have a minimum of 4 players and a maximum of 8 rostered players. Due to illness, injury and personal schedules we highly recommend you carry the maximum number of players. Your rostered players ***are your subs***. Non-rostered subs will not be accepted or provided.

A player can only captain one team, in the same bracket and skill level at a time. A player can captain one skill level in each league type in a season (ex 3.5 WD and 3.5 MXD). A player may sub in a division that is higher than their skill level; however, players may not play in a lower skill level.

League Format: The league will play in a double round robin format.

Divisions are identified for the purpose of this league as:

Level 2.5 - 3.0: The player who may be inexperienced but can sustain a short rally. Someone who understands the fundamentals and knows how to position themselves on the court.

Level 3.5: An individual who can differentiate between a soft and a hard game. The individual moves quickly into the non-volley zone. The individual understands when stacking might be advantageous.

Level 4.0+: The ability to recognize and exploit an opponent's weaknesses. It is possible for them to move as a team because they know where their partners are on the court. Has a moderate number of unforced errors per game.

MXD/Mixed Doubles: 2.5-3.0, 3.5, 4.0+

A detailed definition of skill levels can be found on www.usapickleball.org. Use this description to sign up for the correct skill level.

Rules & Regulations:

- Each team will play 2 rounds per night. 6 games per round.
- Games to 11 points, win by 1.
- Switch sides at 6.
- Home team serves and away team pick up side, will be designated.
- No official time outs except for medical reasons.
- Play will be restricted to the designated 2-hour time slot. If a game is still in progress at the end of the designated time, the team in the lead will be declared the winner.



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- A 5-minute warm up will be allowed at the start of the first game only if needed.
- Players must rotate partners each game and only play with the same partner once per round.
- The maximum number of games played per person, per round is 3.
- Mixed doubles play format is 1 WD game, 1 MD game and 4 MXD games per round.
- Teams must have approval from iPickle La Habra to add or delete players to the roster after the first league game. No changes to the roster allowed after week 4.
- **If a non-rostered player is used in a game, that game will not count towards a win. That game will be considered a forfeit.**
- The captains have the option of playing, or not playing anyone on their roster.
- If there is a two-way tie for wins/losses, head to head will be the first tie breaker, total points in the tie breaker will be second.
- There will be a 5-minute grace period for the first game if not enough players to begin the matches.
- If the team does not have the minimum number of players at the 5-minute mark, they must forfeit any game that player was scheduled to play. This will continue until the missing player arrives.
- The league will follow the USA Pickleball/International Federation of Pickleball (IFP) rules found on www.usapickleball.org.
- Scorecards will be provided and teams record their scores after each game.
- The captains need to bring a hard copy of their line up for each week that is to be left with the scoresheet.

Division Movement:

- Any player observed to be playing in the wrong skill level division will be notified and moved to a higher skill level division if they choose to play in a future.
- Any team that wins their division more than once **may** be asked to move up to a higher skill level division.
- Teams may request to move down a skill level upon evaluation and approval.

Officiating:

- The games will be self-regulated. Do your best to ensure you are calling balls in/out of bounds fairly.
- If a ball is questionable, it should be called in.
- Each team calls their own balls in/out on their side of the court only. If your team is unsure or did not see the ball then the opponent gets the benefit of the doubt on the line calls.
- A player may appeal a call to the opponent's partner and respectfully accept the decision.
- If a team is unsure of a line call, they may ask the opponent if the opponent was in a better position to see the ball. An opponent's opinion, if requested, should be accepted.



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- The league coordinator has the authority to overrule calls and/or assist with referee duties.
- If an incorrect score is called or you are unable to hear the score DO NOT stop the play. Correct prior to the next serve.
- The point must be played once the server contacts with the ball. Play must continue.

Equipment:

- All players must provide their own paddles.
- Game balls will be provided.
- Courts will be reserved for each league game.

Court Rules:

- Players are expected to leave the court promptly at the conclusion of the blocked time for the league.

Etiquette:

- The league is here to provide fun, friendly competition for those that love the game.
- **Recreation is the focus of this league.**
- Swearing, negative taunting or poor sportsmanship at any time is not tolerated. If disrespect is found between teams the offenders will forfeit games and/or will be subject to removal from the league.
- Discipline is at the discretion of the league Supervisor.
- If a team continues to violate the rules and regulations the Recreation Supervisor has the right to suspend and/or remove the team from the league.

Notes:

- This is a *Mixed Team League* only.
- The season length and number of games played will be dependent on the number of teams in each bracket. Standings will be updated weekly and posted on the club webpage.
- This league is not limited to iPickle members.
- Teams can be made up of both members and non-members.
- FREE agents can register and try outs will be scheduled.