

Basic Rules:

- Point Every Rally: A point is awarded after every rally, either to the serving or receiving team.
- Win by 2 Points: A team must win by at least 2 points.
- Win on Your Serve: You must win the final point while serving — you cannot win on a rally won while receiving.

Serving Rules:

- One Server per Team: Each team only has one server per turn. There is no second server like in traditional doubles.
- Alternate Sides: The server switches sides after each point won.
 - Serve from the right when your team's score is even.
 - Serve from the left when it's odd.
- Side Out: When a team loses a rally on their serve, it's a Side Out — the other team gets a point and takes over the serve.
- Players Switch Sides: After every Side Out, the new serving team's players switch sides to match their score.

Scoring Example (Start of Game):

1. Game starts at 0–0. The starting server serves from the right side.
2. If they win the rally, the score is 1–0, and the server moves to the left side.
3. If they lose the rally, the score becomes 0–1. The other team now serves, switching sides first.

Game-Ending Example (15-Point Game):

- If a team has 14 points and they are serving, they can win by scoring the 15th point and being up by 2.
- If the receiving team has 14 and wins the rally, it's just a Side Out—no point is awarded.
- If teams are tied 15–15, play continues until one team leads by 2 and wins while serving.

MATCHES/SCORING

1. Matches will be played to 15 points
2. A team must win by at least 2 points

PLAYER CALLS

1. Players call all lines on their side of the court, including service foot faults.
2. Players may call foot faults on the opposite side of the court. However, if there is any disagreement among the players about the called fault, a replay shall occur.
3. In the spirit of good sportsmanship, players are expected to call faults on themselves as soon as the fault is committed or detected. The fault call must happen before the next serve occurs.

PRIZES

Everyone is a winner in our eyes. While we celebrate the spirit of participation, those competing in the Champions Bracket will have the chance to win cash prizes:

- 🏆 1st Place: \$1,000
- 🏆 2nd Place: \$500
- 🏆 3rd Place: \$150

Most importantly, we want everyone to have a great time and remember why we're here. The real victory lies in coming together for a meaningful cause — that's what truly matters.

Together, let's serve up a great time while making a positive impact. We can't wait to see you at the 2025 RCE Foundation Pickleball Unites Tournament!!