



PICKLEBALL CAMPUS SPORT



In this competition, the emphasis is on enjoyment, social atmosphere and skill development. All games shall be played as per the [Official Pickleball Rules of Pickleball Australia](#), except to the extent that they are negated or modified by these rules. All rules are open to the interpretation of the referee/supervisor and their decision is final.

LOCATION

All games will be played on the outdoor court at Melbourne University's Sport Precinct.

TEAM REGISTRATION

Teams must be registered by the Captain or Primary contact through the registration link available on the Campus Sport website.

Full payment of the registration fee must be paid upon completion of this form for a team to be guaranteed entry into the competition.

PLAYER REGISTRATION

All participants must complete an online registration form before taking the court; they will then be named on the weekly score sheet.

All players must play a minimum of 1 game to participate in finals. If a player has not registered online, they must still write their name on the scoresheet. While this will not count towards their finals eligibility, they will be covered for insurance purposes.

THE PLAYERS

The competition is contested in a doubles format. Therefore teams must have a minimum 2 players, and a maximum of 3. Where teams have an additional player, they may rotate between sets.

Teams may be made up of any combination of genders, as there are no specific rules restricting participation in this competition.

GAME COMMENCEMENT

Teams should arrive 10 minutes prior to the commencement of their match to allow for smooth transition of games.

Teams must be ready to start at the scheduled times. If the opposition does not show at the beginning of this period, then the clock shall commence running and they will be penalised 1 point per minute they are late.

At the beginning of the game, two players from each team will 'rock off' for possession of to decide who will serve first.

LENGTH OF THE GAME

Each match will be allocated 40-minutes. This is to ensure the match can be completed and provide ample warm up time.

FORFEITS

In the event of a forfeit, the winning team will be awarded a score of 3-0 and 4 competition points. There is no monetary penalty for a forfeit, but teams must let the competition coordinator know if they are unable to play any given week. A team will be ineligible for finals should they forfeit more than 2 times in a season.

EQUIPMENT

All equipment will be provided by MU Sport. MU Sport staff will set up and pack down the court each week.

SCORING

Teams are to self-score throughout play. All teams are responsible to ensure the final score is listed on the scoresheets provided

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UNIFORM

Players are advised to wear suitable sports clothing, and proper sports shoes must always be worn. Players cannot take the court in bare feet.

MISCONDUCT

All players must be respectful towards each other, as well as towards the umpires. This is a social competition, and any form of player misconduct will not be tolerated and may result in you or your team being excluded from the competition.

RULE CLARIFICATION

If players would like clarification on a rule or a call, that player may approach MU Sport staff at any of the breaks and ask for rule clarification. Players must conduct themselves in a professional manner when doing this and put their inquiry in the form of a question.

POINTS

4 points will be awarded for a win, 0 points for a loss and 2 points for a draw. Teams who lose by forfeit will receive 0 points and their opposition will receive 4 points. The result for a forfeit shall be recorded as 3-0.

GAME STRUCTURE

Each match will be contested as the best of 3 sets, each set is played as first to 11 with a 2-point margin.

INJURY

Play may be held due to an injury or illness, and resume once deemed safe.

First aid is available at the Sport Centre reception.

It is the responsibility of the team captain together with MU Sport Reception Staff to administer first aid when required, not the umpires. All injuries must be reported to either the competition coordinator or to reception by the injured person/s or team captain and an incident report made where necessary.

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