## DROP-IN GUIDELINES

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Purpose: The purpose of our Drop-In Program is to provide the opportunity for ALL club members to play during peak times. All club members are welcome. Drop-in is a good time to practice your game and meet new people. We encourage players to introduce themselves and mix up play when possible.

## Definitions:

Open Play Drop-in Format - Scheduled courts may be used for any skill level and/or mixed skill levels. Players will place their paddles in the paddle holder on the gate of the court desired. When the current game is over, the players of the 4 paddles on that court gate are in for the next game. The process continues.

## When players are waiting to play and courts are full...

A) Four players will play a game to eleven points and then vacate that court.
B) The $\mathbf{4}$ paddles on the court gate will then play on the vacated court and continue the process.
C) All players, waiting to play, should be ready to enter courts as a group.
D) Should there be less than $\mathbf{4}$ paddles on the court gate, that player or players should proceed to the vacated court and ask those vacating to play with them. Hopefully, they'll be good pickleball ambassadors and play.
E) When passing through another court, wait until a point is completed, ask for permission to enter and pass through, and thank the players while passing.
F) Only four (4) players should be on any court when courts are full.

## When players ARE NOT waiting to play and there are available empty courts...

A) Four players will play a game to eleven (11) points.
B) If no other players are waiting to play, the same four players may continue to play another game on the same court.
C) More than four players can be on a court, i.e., there may be rotating players sitting/waiting on the bench. However, once the courts are full, only four players can be on a court, i.e., no players can be sitting/waiting on the bench.
D) Court 12 can be used for practice. Once courts are full and players are waiting to play, Court 12 will no longer be used for practice.

