

2024 Senior Games / Pickleball Information

Reno Tennis Center

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Recreational Pickleball

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You play at the higher level or your partner's skill level...

Daily - 8:00am – 2:00pm

Women's Doubles (2.5, 3.0, 3.5, 4.0+): Monday, August 12, 2024

Mixed Doubles (2.5, 3.0, 4.0+): Tuesday, August 13, 2024

Mixed Doubles (3.5): Wednesday, August 14, 2024

Men's Doubles (2.5, 3.0, 3.5, 4.0+): Thursday, August 15, 2024

Singles – Men's & Womens (2.5, 3.0, 3.5, 4.0+): Friday, August 16, 2024

BASICS:

The Pickleball court is similar to a doubles badminton court. The actual size of the court is 20x44 feet for both doubles and singles. The net is hung at 36 inches on the ends, and 34 inches in the middle. The court is striped like a tennis court, with no alleys; but the outer courts, and not the inner courts, are divided in half by service lines. The inner courts are non-volley zones and extend 7 feet from the net on either side. The ball is served with an underhand stroke so that contact with the ball is made below waist level (waist is defined as the navel level) in an upward arc from behind the baseline, diagonally to the opponent's service zone.

Points are scored by the serving side only and occur when the opponent faults (fails to return the ball, hits ball out of bounds, steps into the non-volley zone [the first seven feet from the net, also known as the 'kitchen'] in the act of volleying the ball, etc.). A player may enter the non-volley zone to play a ball that bounces and may stay there to play balls that bounce. The player must exit the non-volley zone before playing a volley. The first side scoring 11 points and leading by at least two points wins. Tournament games may be played to 15 or 21 points with players rotating sides at 8 or 11 points respectively.

The return of service must be allowed to bounce by the server (the server and partner in doubles play); i.e. cannot be volleyed. Consequently, the server or server and partner usually stay at the baseline until the first return has been hit back and bounced once.

In doubles play, at the start of the game, the serving side gets only one fault before their side is out, and the opponents begin their serve. After this, each side gets 2 faults (one

with each team member serving) before their serve is finished. Thus, each side is always one serve ahead or behind, or tied.

Not sure what your rating is?

<https://www.uspa.org/skill-assessment-sheets/>

<https://www.galeleach.com/pickleball-skill-level-definitions.html>