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*Athletic Programs Supervisor*

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July 31, 2024

Dear Team Captain / Representative

It is that time of year to begin planning for the upcoming **ADULT PICKLEBALL LEAGUE**. Enclosed you will find a packet of information that includes everything you will need to register and participate in this year's league. It is important that you register early this year. Due to budget restraints and field availability, we can only accept the first 5 teams register in each division.

Team registration will begin on Thursday, August 1st, 2024. Again, we will only be able to accept the first 5 teams to register in each division. To be registered, a team must turn in the Team Registration Form AND pay all league fees. Due to limited space, spots cannot be held.

Team entry fees for this year's Adult Pickleball League will be \$160.00 per team. Again, teams **will not** be placed on the schedule until their Team Entry sheet has been turned in and league fees have been paid.

A coach's meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 4th. Regular season play will begin Monday, September 9th. Teams should expect to play one game per week on a Mon/ Thurs evening. Should you have any additional questions, please contact me at (919) 934-2148.

Sincerely,

Ethan Blailock  
Athletic Programs Supervisor



# ADULT ATHLETICS

# TEAM ENTRY FORM

**LEAGUE**

- ADULT PICKLEBALL LEAGUE
- FUN & FELLOWSHIP SOFTBALL
- MEN'S BASKETBALL LEAGUE

<b>TEAM NAME:</b>	
<b>MANAGER:</b>	<b>DOB:</b>
<b>ADDRESS:</b>	
<b>EMAIL:</b>	
<b>CELL NO.:</b>	
<b>ASSISTANT:</b>	
<b>EMAIL:</b>	
<b>CELL:</b>	

<b>OFFICIAL USE</b>	Entry Fee: <span style="float: right;"><u>\$ 475.00</u></span>
Check No.: _____ Cash Credit Card	TOTAL PAID: _____ RECEIPT NO.: _____ RECEIVED BY: _____



# OFFICIAL ROSTER FORM

COACH:

ADDRESS:

HOME PHONE:

WORK PHONE:

TEAM NAME:

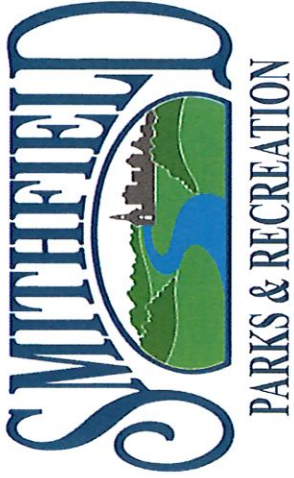
LEAGUE:

I understand in sports activities there are incidents of accident and injury. I voluntarily participate in these activities. I have read this agreement and understand it's contents. I release and agree to hold harmless the Town of Smithfield, the Town of Smithfield Parks and Recreation Department, it's employees, agents and heirs harmless from any claim that arises due to accident and/or injury.

I agree that I have read the league rules that I am participating in and will follow the rules and their intentions.

I agree that I have read the Code of Conduct Policy as adopted by the Town of Smithfield and the Smithfield Parks and Recreation Department. I will follow this code and conduct myself in a manner that is sportsmanlike. I understand that if I fail to conduct myself in such a manner, my privilege to participate may be suspended and/or revoked from these and future activities.

	NAME	PHYSICAL ADDRESS	RESIDENT		SIGNATURE
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# Code of Conduct

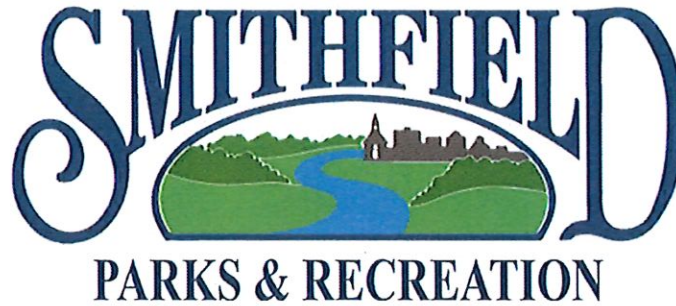
The intent of this policy is to ensure, to the best of our ability, that a safe, wholesome and encouraging environment be provided for all who are involved in the activity, whether they be a coach, player, spectator, or official.

According to the *“Code of Ordinances of the Town of Smithfield, Section 12-97, “No Person shall conduct himself in a disorderly or obscene manner or commit any nuisance upon the grounds of any park or recreation area.”*

Based on this ordinance, the Town of Smithfield’s Parks and Recreation Department and the Smithfield Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee have adopted the following policy to deter such behavior:

*Any spectator, participant or coach who conducts themselves in a disorderly manner as described above may be suspended, or banned from all further Smithfield Parks and Recreation activities, programs and/or events. This type of unacceptable behavior includes, but is not limited to, foul, abusive or profane language and/or gestures demonstrated toward other persons in attendance.*

*If in the event of such an occurrence, a formal complaint is filed with the Parks and Recreation Department, a special hearing will be scheduled with the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee to decide what action, if any, shall be taken. Options will include, but not be limited to, temporary suspension, expulsion from all future programs, or legal action.*



## **Adult Pickleball Men's & Women's Doubles Leagues**

### **Rules and Regulations**

- Registration for the league will only need to be completed by one individual.
- The team roster must be completely filled out and submitted to the Athletic Programs Supervisor by the first night of regular season games.
- A team's roster must have a minimum of four players with a maximum of eight players.
- Any changes to the roster made after the second week of the regular season must be approved by the Athletic Programs Supervisor.
- A player on the roster must play in at least four regular season matches in order to be eligible for the post-season tournament.
- Minimum age to play is fifteen years old as of the first regular season game.
- If a team is found playing an ineligible player, all matches that they have played in will be ruled a forfeit.
- Any coach or player that starts a fight or threatens an opponent player, spectator, or staff member will be suspended for the remainder of the season and may face further sanctions as deemed necessary.
- Games will be played to eleven points with the first team that reaches eleven being the winner. The first team to win two games to eleven points will win the match. Each match will be best two out of three ga
- The match format will be:
  - Four players will play on game night



- The four players that play will be split into two pairs with each team playing simultaneously against the same opposing team that is split into two pairs.
- Once both matches are complete, the away team will rotate courts to play against the other pair from the team that they played in the previous match.
- Matches are self-officiated. Players will call all lines on their side of the court.
- All match results will be reported the Parks and Recreation staff that is present after the conclusion of play.
- Forfeit time is ten minutes after game time for the first match of the night. Match time is forfeit time for all other games.
- All teams must provide their own paddles and balls.
- All game balls must be named on the official list of approved balls posted on the USA Pickleball website.
- Paddle Specifications:
  - The paddle's hitting surface shall not contain delamination, holes, cracks, rough textures, or indentations that break the paddle skin or surface, or any objects or features that allow a player to impart excessive spin on the ball.
  - Reflection. The paddle's hitting surface shall not be adversely reflective, such that it has the potential to negatively affect the vision of opposing player(s).
  - Size. The combined length and width, including any edge guard and butt cap, shall not exceed 24 inches (60.96 cm). The paddle length cannot exceed 17 inches (43.18 cm). There is no restriction on paddle thickness.
  - There are no restrictions on paddle weight.
- The season will consist of eight weeks of regular season play with a double elimination tournament that will take place after the conclusion of the regular season.
- There will be two skill levels in both the men's and women's league. There will be a 1.0-2.5 (beginners) and a 2.75-3.50 (experienced)



- Matches will be played on Monday and Thursday evenings at the Smithfield Community Park Pickleball Courts. In the event of rainouts and forfeits, there may be games scheduled on other evenings at the discretion of the Athletic Programs Supervisor
- If a team is unable to play, they must notify the Parks and Recreation office by 4:00pm the day of the scheduled game.
- Teams with more than two forfeits in a season will not be eligible for the post-season tournament.