

PICKLEBALL

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Venue: Akau Tangi Sport Centre

Address: 72 Kemp Street, Kilbirnie, Wellington

Categories

Men-Single

Women-Single

Men-Doubles

Women-Doubles

Mixed Doubles

Rules

1. Match Format

1.1 Round Robin Rules

1.1.1 Rally scoring to **15**

1.1.2 **20-minute** hard cap

1.1.3 When time expires:

1.1.1.1 **Leader wins**

1.1.1.2 If tied → **1 rally sudden-death**

1.1.4 No timeouts

1.1.5 Switch ends at 8 points

1.1.6 Winner of each match earns **1 point** for standings

1.2 Playoff Rules (Semis & Finals)

1.2.1 Rally scoring to **15**

1.2.2 **No time cap**

1.2.3 Win by 2

1.2.4 1 timeout per individual/team

1.2.5 Switch ends at 8

1.2.6 Referee provided

2. Scoring System

2.1 Rally Scoring



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- 2.1.1 A point is awarded on **every rally**, regardless of who served.
 - 2.1.2 First to **15 points** wins (round robin)
 - 2.1.3 First to **15 points, win by 2** (semis & finals)
- 2.2 Serving Rules
 - 2.2.1 Standard pickleball serve rules apply.
 - 2.2.2 In singles, server alternates sides based on even/odd score.
 - 2.2.3 In doubles, teams choose their serving order at the start and must maintain it.
3. Pool Play Structure
 - 3.1 Pools
 - 3.1.1 Each event has **X pools of X players/teams*** (singles or doubles).
 - 3.1.2 Each pool plays a **round robin** (X matches per pool).
 - 3.2 Pool Standing Tiebreakers** detailed information on a separate document
 - 3.2.1 Match wins
 - 3.2.2 Head-to-head
 - 3.2.3 Point differential
 - 3.2.4 Total points scored
 - 3.2.5 Coin toss
 - 3.3 Advancement
 - 3.3.1 **Top x from each pool** → Semifinals
 - 3.3.2 **Semifinal winners** → Final
4. Match Timing & Court Flow
 - 4.1 Round Robin Timing
 - 4.1.1 Each match = **20 minutes total**, including transitions.
 - 4.1.2 A horn/buzzer will signal:
 - 4.1.1.1 **Start** of match
 - 4.1.1.2 **End** of match
 - 4.2 Playoff Timing
 - 4.2.1 Semis & finals are **untimed**.
 - 4.2.2 Matches must be completed naturally (**win by 2**).
 - 4.3 Court Assignment
 - 4.3.1 Players must report to their assigned court **immediately**.
 - 4.3.2 Failure to appear within **2 minutes** may result in a forfeit.
5. Participants
 - 5.1 Filipinos



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- 5.2 Half Filipinos
- 5.3 Married to a Filipino or de facto to a Filipino for at least **2 years**

- 6. Referees & Scorers
 - 6.1 Round Robin (Self-Refereed)
 - 6.1.1 **No referee** required.
 - 6.1.2 Players call:
 - 6.1.2.1 Serves
 - 6.1.2.2 Lines
 - 6.1.2.3 Faults
 - 6.1.2.4 Score
 - 6.1.3 If a dispute occurs:
 - 6.1.3.1 Replay the point
 - 6.1.3.2 If unresolved → call the event desk. This keeps the event efficient and reduces staffing needs.
 - 6.2 Semifinals & Finals (Referee Provided)
 - 6.2.1 A referee will:
 - 6.2.1.1 Call score
 - 6.2.1.2 Track points
 - 6.2.1.3 Oversee faults
 - 6.2.1.4 Manage timeouts
 - 6.2.1.5 Resolve disputes
 - 6.3 Scorers
 - 6.3.1 **Round robin:** No scorer needed; players self-report scores to the desk.
 - 6.3.2 **Semis & finals:** Referee acts as scorer

- 7. Player Responsibilities
 - 7.1 Arrive at court **ready to play**.
 - 7.2 Know your pool, match order, and court assignment.
 - 7.3 Report scores immediately after each match.
 - 7.4 Maintain sportsmanship at all times.
 - 7.5 Respect referee decisions during playoffs

- 8. Equipment and Attire
 - 8.1 Players must use standard pickleball paddles.
 - 8.2 Non-marking shoes required.
 - 8.3 Balls provided by the tournament.
 - 8.4 No coaching during points; limited coaching allowed between rallies.



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9. Code of Conduct

9.1 Zero tolerance for:

- 9.1.1 Abuse of officials
- 9.1.2 Verbal aggression
- 9.1.3 Racism or discrimination
- 9.1.4 Deliberate rule violations

9.2 Violations may result in:

- 9.2.1 Warning
- 9.2.2 Point penalty
- 9.2.3 Match forfeit
- 9.2.4 Removal from event

10. Medical & Safety

- 10.1 Players must stop play immediately if injured.
- 10.2 Medical staff (if available) may intervene

Waiver

Each player must read and agree to the waiver below.

I declare that:

1. My accepted entry into the Event will not be transferred to another entrant.
2. If any 'act of God' conditions cause a cancellation of the Event, I agree that my total entry fee is not transferable or refundable.
3. I am in a proper physical condition to take part in the Event, given the known parameters of the Event (such as the length, time, physical demands and environmental context).
4. I have taken medical advice on any pre-existing medical conditions and confirm that it is medically safe for me to take part in the Event.
5. I acknowledge that there are risks involved in the Event. I fully realise the dangers of taking part in the Event, and fully assume the risks associated with my participation and my wellbeing and safety during and after the Event. I understand and acknowledge that the Event organisers (including all officials and event volunteers) provide no warranties, about my wellbeing and safety.
6. I understand and agree that situations may arise during the Event, which may be beyond the immediate control of the Event organisers (including all officials and event volunteers).
7. I will take part in the Event, in a manner that does not endanger either me or others.
8. I agree that to the extent permissible by law, the Event organisers (including all officials and event volunteers), the sponsors and other parties associated with the Event, have no liability to me whatsoever for any direct or indirect loss, (including, but not limited to injury or death) sustained by me during or in any way related to my participation in the Event.



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9. I authorise the use of my name, voice, picture and information on this entry form in any broadcast, telecast, promotion, advertising, and in any other way, without payment to me or any other form of compensation.
10. I agree to follow the rules and regulations about the Event.
11. I agree to follow all reasonable safety instructions provided to me by the Event organisers, (including all officials and event volunteers) before, during and after the Event.
12. I consent to receiving medical treatment if illness or injuries are suffered during or at any time after the Event.

By entering this event, the player hereby agrees and acknowledges that any person, shall have the right to: photograph and/or record on video all and any games or practice conducted during the course of the event, retain such photographs or video recordings for their own use of whatsoever nature, distribute such photographs or video recordings to any other party, display such photographs or video recordings during the event or any time thereafter, in any form whatsoever (including, but not limited to: promotional displays of the organisers and/or the sponsors of the event or any similar event, social network internet sites, the website(s) of the organisers and/or sponsors of the event PROVIDED THAT no such photographs or video recordings shall be used or retained for any illegal, immoral or unseemly use or purpose."

Registration Fees

\$40 entry fee per player

\$20 for additional categories

