

## Gainesville Indoor Pickleball Showcase Tournament Format

### 1. General Information:

- a. This event is not sanctioned
- b. Primary ball: Onix Fuse Indoor Pickleball - Orange
- c. Games will be played on indoor wood courts with temporary nets and taped courts (tape will be florescent pink)

### 2. Entry Regulations:

- a. The division of competition for Doubles and Mixed Doubles will be determined by the following rankings and age groups:
  - o Rankings: 3.5, 4.0, 4.5, 5.0/Open. Open is reserved for advanced players of all levels.
  - o Age groups within rankings: 40 & Under, 41-60, 61 & Over.
  - o **The age group you will play in will be determined by the youngest player.**
- b. Competitors must bring their own paddles. Pickleballs will be provided for matches.
- c. The ball and the pen must be returned with your score sheet or the score will not be counted.

### 3. Scoring

- a. All events will be run as round robin draw.
- b. Games will be played to 11, win by 2. Championship Games will be played to 15, win by 1.
  - i. You will be allowed 2 timeouts (1 minute each) per match
  - ii. Teams will change sides of the court when the first team reaches 6 points.
- c. The Single Elimination Championship Bracket: Matches will be played to 15 points but must continue until a team achieves a 1-point margin.
  - i. Teams will change sides of the court when the first team reaches 11 points.
- d. Tie breakers for seeding:
  - i. Fewest points allowed in combined matches played
  - ii. Head-to-Head win / lose

### 4. Match Rules:

- a. A coin flip will determine first choice of service or side. If the winner chooses to serve or receive, the loser picks starting side. If the winner chooses starting side, the loser chooses to serve or receive.
- b. All questionable calls must be resolved in favor of the opponent.
- c. Served balls clearing the non-volley zone and landing on any service court line except the non-volley zone line are good.
- d. Balls in play landing on any side or backcourt line are good.
- e. All serves must be made underhand at or below the server's waist (i.e. contact with the ball must be made at or below the server's waist). Underhand is defined, as the paddle head shall be below the hand when striking the ball.
- f. Drop serves are not allowed.
- g. Service Lets are discontinued. If the ball hits the net on the serve and lands in the correct service court, the ball remains in play and should be returned by the receiver.
- h. Players will be responsible for calling their own lines.

**Format changes are at the discretion of the Event Director**