

Pickleball Etiquette & House Rules

The following etiquette and rules are for the safety and enjoyment of all members and their guests. They are also intended to help maintain and protect our facilities. See related community rules located on the KKPOA website for additional information.

Reservations

- a. Pickleball court hours are 7AM to 10 PM.
- b. Courts may be reserved via the Keowee Key website 3 days in advance.
- c. Reservation default times are two hours. Court time should not be reserved unless there is a defined need (and not reserved for “just in case” use) and should not be effectively blocked from equitable use by others by: overbooking courts, failing to release courts at least one day in advance, or working in combination with others to book multiple courts so as to prevent individual access by others.
- d. In cases of late arrival, a ten-minute grace period will be allowed after which the court is forfeited.
- e. Unreserved courts are considered open for use; however, players with reservations have priority.
- f. Please give priority to booking pickleball courts 1-8 prior to booking dual lined hard tennis courts. This is in consideration of the courts shared with the tennis community.
- g. If previously booked courts will not be used, court bookings should be cancelled.

Court Use

- a. All players are required to wear non-marking, clean, court shoes and other appropriate attire. Shirts are required at all times.
- b. It is recommended that you bring your own beverage(s). Water/ice machines are located near the bathroom and inside the FRC.
- c. Wait for a break in play before accessing an occupied court. If players are on court 7, access court 5 by using the double gates near the parking area. If players are on court 2, wait for a stoppage in play before accessing court 4 from the lower pavilion.
- d. Use of divider nets must be unanimous amongst all players on the court. Divider nets will not be used if any person on an adjacent court prefers them open. This allows for movement on the court. Divider nets should be returned to open position after use.
- e. Use of music must be unanimous amongst all players on all of the affected courts.
- f. Refrain from the use of foul language.
- g. Please keep the courts clean by using the receptacles provided. The FRC staff blows off and cleans the courts and pavilions and removes trash on a periodic basis. Blower is available in storage bin located in the middle pavilion if needed. Courts should never be cleaned with metal/abrasive objects (e.g., shovels) that may damage the court surface.

h. Pickleball nets used on hard tennis courts should be stowed/rolled to fence line after use. Care should be taken when lifting and moving the nets. Ask for assistance from FRC staff if needed.

i. Return balls to the ball bin after use. Discard any damaged balls. Advise the Pickleball Club if additional balls are needed.

j. Court drying equipment, including VAPTR machines, BATT towels, and squeegees are available to help remove moisture/dry the courts. Players using the courts are responsible for drying the courts. Use of the VAPTR machines requires training for proper use of the machines. Please refer to the QR codes located on the machines for a short training video. All drying equipment should be returned to its designated location/BATT towels hung to dry after use. If rain is expected, please hang towels in the designated locations.

k. Turn off court lights after playing.

l. Turn off propane heaters after use, including propane tank valve. Please use care when igniting heaters.

m. Place unattended items in the lost and found box in the upper pavilion.

n. Notify the FRC front desk of any maintenance, safety, or supply issues.

Guests & UPOs

a. Guests of members are welcome. All guests and UPOs must sign-in at the front desk of the FRC prior to play.

c. Guest fees are charged to the respective KK member.

d. The KK member host is responsible for adhering to KK guest rules.

e. See the KK website for more information regarding guests and UPOs.

Good Sportsmanship

a. Good sportsmanship is expected from all.

Above all, have fun and ensure others can do the same by respecting other players and our facilities