



## **Courtenay Recreation Pickleball COVID19 Safe Play Pickleball Guidelines**

### **Preparing for Play**

- Participants will be responsible for following social distancing, hand sanitizing and disinfecting procedures and will not be allowed to participate if sick or showing symptoms of illness.
- Must pre-register for time slot by phoning the Lewis Centre 250-338-5371, Filberg Centre 250-338-1000 or visit [www.courtenay.ca/reconline](http://www.courtenay.ca/reconline) to register online.
- Water fountains are unavailable, come prepared with a full water bottle
- Please bring your own paddle & ball. Player's should mark their ball with a permanent marker to tell them apart
- Players must arrive in the clothes they intend to play in
- Participants will be allowed into facility no more than 10 minutes prior to start time.
- Program facilitator will be present to check participants in, assist with equipment and ensure COVID related procedures are being followed.
- Any and all equipment will be disinfected upon arrival, prior to, in between and after play.
- Must maintain physical distancing at all times
- Must sanitize/wash hands prior to play, in between and after matches

### **During Play**

- Players are required to provide their own ball and paddle (a few back up balls will be available and subject to the same disinfecting procedures). These pieces of equipment must be disinfected with the provided wipes before, in between and after play.
- Use your own (marked) ball when you serve, the next player will use their own ball to serve.
- Stray balls entering other courts are not to be picked up or handled by others, rather pass the ball with your paddle or feet. Do not chase a stray ball into another court, stop yell "ball" so other team can stop and re-serve.
- Players must stay on their side of the court
- Players will not be allowed to congregate or socialize during booking time or within the facility to ensure social distancing can be maintained, including in between games.
- Players must remain playing within the same group (maximum 5 people) for the entire booking time, no switching between groups. Try to play with members of the same household or bubble if possible.

### **After Play**

- Players will not approach the net at the end of a match, waving of paddles can be used instead of a handshake. No paddle taps.
- Players must leave immediately after pickleball is done, no congregating in facility or outside of building
- Disinfecting wipes will be used on all equipment at the end of play.

