

## YMCA Ladder League Rules

1. League will run for 10 weeks (Jan 19 – Mar 23, 2023)
2. There will be 2 divisions, Competitive and Recreational. Competitive will be for the more experienced players. Recreational will be for those who do not have a lot of experience or do not want a highly competitive style of play.
3. League Fee (\$25/YMCA Members and \$40/Non-Members) is due by week 1
  - a. Players can register via the YMCA website or by visiting the Welcome Center at the Y.
  - b. Registered players do not need to pay a daily pass fee to come in for their matches.
4. Matches will begin at 6pm in the YMCA Gym
5. The weekly match schedule will be sent out each week by the YMCA.
6. Each grouping of players will play a Round Robin format with all players in that group being partners 1 time.
  - a. For example, if there are 5 people in a group, each player will have 4 matches each with a different partner each time.
7. All players must follow all USA Pickleball Association Rules for play
8. Each match is played to 11 points, win by 2
9. At the completion of a group's round robin play, one player must return the score sheet to the league supervisor on duty.
10. Each week players will receive 3 points per win and 1 bonus point if they go undefeated.
11. As the league progresses, the players' earned points will be totaled and then all players will be ranked based on the total number of they have earned. The groups for each week will change as players earn different amounts of points each week.
12. The following weeks groups will be determined by the ladder.
  - a. For example, if we have a 15-person ladder, group 1 will be the top 5 players, group 2 the middle 5 players, and group 3 the bottom 5 players.
13. Substitutes: If a player knows in advance there is a week that they cannot attend, they may get a substitute. The original player will still receive all points that the substitute earns that week. The YMCA will try to compile a Substitute Players list for competitors to use in the event they need to be gone.
14. If a player does not show up and did not contact league officials about being absent, they will be considered a "No Show". Any player that "No Shows" 3 times will be removed from the league. Any points earned by a sub for a "No Show" player will not be counted towards the original player's tally. 0 points for a "No Show"

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