Court Etiquette

DO NOT SPIT ON THE COURT SURFACE OR THE BALL No one wants to touch a ball that has rolled in spit on the court or that a player has recently spit on.

INTRODUCTIONS at DROP IN Before you 'start' play, don't forget to go to the net to greet and introduce yourself to all players.

PADDLE TAP Players typically tap paddles at the end of a game.

"GOING OUT" AND "COMING IN" Be sure to wait until all players have left the court before entering.

GATES CLOSED For player safety, keep gates closed at all times. Close the gate when you enter and when you leave.

RETURN BALLS TO THE BALL SLEEVES at the end of your game or drilling please remember to return all balls to the ball sleeves. If there are too many for the sleeve check the sleeves in the adjoining courts for space.

CALLING 'BALL ON' Player safety is #1 when playing pickleball and calling out loud and clear 'BALL ON' to the players on the court next to you is important, very important. If your neighboring court calls out 'BALL ON' to you, you are to immediately stop play and return their ball in a friendly manner.

SAYING THE SCORE It is player responsibility, per the USAPickleball rules to say the score before serving. At PebbleCreek we teach and encourage all players to say the score before serving and say it loud enough that your opponents can hear you. It's a courtesy all players appreciate and a rule.

HANG'EM LOW Pickleball bags are to be stored outside the courts during play. If you hang your bag on the fence, please hang them low to the ground so the players sitting and watching the games can see the games in action.

REFRESH YOUR NECK COOLERS Please use the bathrooms to rinse and refresh your neck coolers not the water fountains. Many summer players do bring your own small bucket, a large Ziplock bag or a small cooler, fill with ice and water to dip, cool and refresh their neck coolers.

EXPRESSIVE LANGUAGE Sometimes pickleball brings out expletives during or after a play. Learning replacement words can be most helpful when venting as swearing is not appropriate or appreciated by many.

NAME TAGS & I.C.E. We ask all players to wear their Club name tag when at the courts playing. Name tags help everyone learn player names. ICE: The new style name tag has ICE on the front which means "In Case of Emergency". Using a permanent marker, please write a contact name and number on the back of your name tag in case there is an incident and your emergency contact person needs to be called.