PebbleCreek Pickleball Self-Rating System

RATING SYSTEM COMMITTEE

Self-Rating System

1) A one-time opportunity will allow members to submit a rating adjustment of up to a 0.5 level increase over a two-week period. Assuming the Board approves this self-rating system on February 19th, the window for changing your rating would be February 20th thru March 7th (5pm).

2) Thereafter, upward adjustments will be allowed twice a year, April 1-30th and October 1-31st .
- Upward adjustments are limited to a single 0.25 increment.
- Downward adjustments can be done at any time with no limit.

REMINDER: The PebbleCreek rating system is strictly to promote parity of play in PebbleCreek club events, seating in club tournaments and for the administration of court allocation. The PC club rating is NOT transferrable or relatable to ratings outside the club such as DUPR or UTPR.

Administration

- Initial Self-Rating
  - Members will be provided with a link to the USAP Skill Level Assessment Tool
  - Members will be provided with a visual skills reference guide
  - Members will be provided with detailed instructions to develop self-rating based on tools
  - If a member would like to change their current rating, they will submit their chosen rating via email to members of this committee to enter ratings into Court Reserve.

- Subsequent Adjustments
  - Members submit their selected rating (limited to 0.25 upward or unlimited downward) to administrator to update Court Reserve during month-long windows or at any time if requesting a move down.
  - New club members with little or no Pickleball experience will attend Intro To Pickleball class and then advanced to Novice A or Novice B and provided a rating.
  - New club members with experience or previous rating be will contact the Intro to Pickleball instructor and after attending orientation portion of the class, will be provided with instructions to self-rate.

FAQs

Q. Do you have to change your current rating?

A. No, if you are happy with your current rating, no action is required..

Q. Does self-rating apply to all levels?

A. Yes, to all levels

Q. What happens if members rate themselves higher than their skillset?

A. Members may find themselves outmatched or uncomfortable in higher-level events. Fellow members may suggest that they are placed incorrectly. If not performing well in round robins or other club events, the member should move their rating down to improve the parity of play. Members are allowed to move their rating down at any time.

Q. What happens if a member rates themselves lower than their skillset?

A. Members may find themselves unchallenged at the lower-level events or may event present a safety issue to other players. Fellow members may suggest that they are placed incorrectly. To improve parity of play, the member should move their rating up at the next scheduled opportunity.

Q. What happens if members rate themselves relative to other players at PebbleCreek in lieu of the skills-based guidelines provided?

A. This will result in further inflation of player ratings verses general standards and play outside of PebbleCreek. Members are encouraged to rate themselves based on the Skills Guides provided.

FAQs

Q. Will there be court monitors?

A. No, self-rating = self-regulating.

Q. May I file a grievance against a player that has rated themselves too high or too low?

A. No, self-rating = self-regulating. We are counting on our members to recognize disparity in their level of play and also suggest to fellow members that they are placed incorrectly.

Q. Will Round Robin structure change?

A. No, Round-Robin structure remains as-is with adjustments for new demographics.

Q. Can I move down if I am injured or recovering due to medical issues?

A. Yes, you can move down at any time and then reinstatement to your original level when ready.

Q. Is there a possibility that members could lower their rating prior to the Club Championship, then move back up in April?

A.   Yes, but we are hopeful that the integrity of our club members will keep this from happening.