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Open Play Rules and Guidelines

How to challenge on to a court

- All participating Players will put their paddles on the paddle rack for the “specific” court on which they are rated and would like to play on.
- Each player can only have one paddle on a paddle rack at a time.
- When players rotate off of a given court, they can place their paddle on the same court/fence or a different court/fence.

Rotation Rules

- Winning partners can stay on the court with a maximum limit of 3 consecutive games. If you win a game, you stay on the court for a second and/or third game.
- Play one game to 11 points, win by 2. The losing team must rotate off.
- After playing 3 consecutive games, winners must rotate off the court if there are 2 or more paddles on the rack waiting on the court
- If winners are staying on the court and there are 2 or more paddles on the rack, then the 2 players at the top of the wait will challenge the winners
- If winners are staying on the court and there is only 1 paddle waiting, then the challenging player will team up with one of the losing players.
- If winners are rotating off the court and there are 4 or more paddles on court waiting, then the 4 players at the top of the queue will play the next game.

Rules for Court Movement

- Players must play on courts that are aligned with their skill level.
- Court rotation rules should encourage players not to play on courts that are more than .5 ratings above their skill level. (example: current level is 4.0 and can only challenge up to 4.5).
- Players should NOT put their paddle on a court that is not aligned with their skill level just because it is the shortest wait time.
- Players who lose two or more consecutive games on a given court are strongly encouraged to put their paddle on the next lower skill leveled court.
- Players who win 3 consecutive games on a given court are encouraged to put their paddle on the next higher skilled court (example: if you win 3 consecutive games at 3.5, you are encouraged to challenge on a 4.0 court).