



South Country Co-op Pickleball Courts

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Medicine Hat Pickleball Club Guidelines for Use of ERNE Pickleball Machine

1. Every member wishing to book the ERNE Pickleball Machine **must** attend 1 Free ½ hour training session plus the extra 1/2 hour free when 2-4 members are attending the training session.
2. The Erne Ball machine **must** be booked via the “Hold My Court” app. MHPC Members can only book the ball machine for 1 hour increments and the charge is \$5/member/hour. Payment **must** be made at time the ball machine is used using the payment link on Hold My Court Pickleball Machine, the QR Code at the Courts or on the Ball Machine Tab on our website.
3. The ERNE Ball machine is kept in the larger blue shed.
4. To move ERNE to Court 12, extend the handle vertically and tilt the machine in your direction which will allow the ERNE machine to roll on two wheels. Roll it to Court 12, and place it on the South end. This means the balls will be launched to the north and hit by the member towards the south end. If the balls are in the top hopper, be careful that they don't spill out while transferring it OR carry the balls in the carry-bag.
5. Plug the extension cord into that power supply outside of court 12.
6. The power switch is near the bottom of the back of the unit. Please select the AC power option.
7. The ERNE Pickleball APP for your cell phone can be downloaded from the APP

store. When you open your ERNE app, it can be paired to the ERNE machine when the power is turned on, one user can be connected at a time.

a. The following link will take you to a video that explains how the app is used to control the machine <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pZokesLV6Yk>

b. Additional training videos are available on either YouTube by a trainer Suzee Anderson and also more are available on Victory Sports under their Forum area. These are helpful tutorials for specific drills with the appropriate shortcut for settings.

8. While using the ball machine, if you happen to hit a ball into the open front area of the machine, immediately stop the machine. After the wheels stop turning, fish the ball out and then you can restart it, and continue with your drill.

9. If it is raining or the courts are wet DO NOT use the ERNE ball machine. If it starts to rain when in use IMMEDIATELY stop the machine, and put it away. If the balls are wet, they will spin when pitched, throwing water onto parts of the machine that should not get wet and could cause damage to ERNE.

10. **Do not stand** in front of the ERNE machine or put your head/face/body close to the front of the throwing port while the machine is running. Serious injury could result.

11. If the machine jams, IMMEDIATELY stop the machine, turn it off and clear the jam before restarting the power button.

12. When your booked time is complete, use the Ball Picker and pick up all balls. If ERNE is booked following you, leave ERNE on COURT 12. If ERNE is not booked following your booking, unplug ERNE and put the ball machine away in the shed.

13. Hard copy instruction with machine, QR code, videos.

14. The Player Development Program and the Junior Program may book ERNE for 2 hour sessions at no charge.