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## PICKLEBALL REGINA INC.

### **CODE OF CONDUCT AND NON-SPORTSMANLIKE BEHAVIOUR POLICY**

All members of Pickleball Regina Inc. (PRI) agree to conduct themselves in a courteous and respectful manner both on the courts and when observing others playing while awaiting their turn. Members are asked to respect the coordinators, facilities, equipment, and other players. PRI's goal is to promote the growth and development of pickleball. This sport will succeed best if its players embrace the values of good sportsmanship. It is essential that all players and spectators, in promoting this goal, model good behaviour, lead by example, display respect, and show self-control.

The Code below applies in all situations that relate directly or indirectly to pickleball play. Every member of Pickleball Regina pledges as follows:

- I will not engage in non-sportsmanlike conduct or encourage others to do so.
- I will not engage in any behaviour that would endanger the health, safety or well-being of others.
- I will not engage in the use of profanity.
- I will treat the facilities, equipment, and others with respect.
- I will exhibit fairness and honesty in my dealings with others.

Failure to abide by this Code may result in disciplinary action being taken by the Pickleball Regina Inc. Board of Directors.

The number one goal of Pickleball Regina Inc. is to develop the sport of pickleball. All members are expected to support that goal and be good ambassadors of the sport.

When a member of Pickleball Regina displays non-sportsmanlike behaviour toward any member or non-member during any club activity, play or at any venue that includes members and non-members, the offender will be subject to disciplinary action.

Non-sportsmanlike conduct includes threatening the safety of others, abusive language or behaviour, unnecessarily creating turmoil, disrupting or causing dissension among the members and non-members.

Any individual that wishes to bring an incident of non-sportsmanlike conduct to the attention of the Board must do so in writing.

The offending individual will be provided with a written statement outlining the infractions and the resulting disciplinary action, as follows:

1. First Offense – a written warning from the Board of Directors.
2. Second Offense – suspension of membership privileges.

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3. Third Offense – termination of membership rights and privileges.

In the case of second and third offenses, the offending individual will be given at least two weeks notice of the meeting that the matter is scheduled to be dealt with and given the opportunity to appear. The member shall be allowed to have one other member present if prior notice has been given to the board.

The decision of the Board is final.

*See Bylaws Sections 7.5 through 7.8 for more information.*