



Skills Assessment 2.5 Level of Play

Name: _____ Date: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

	0	1	2	3	Comments
Knows most of the basic rules including the “two bounce rule”, scoring					
Demonstrates control on forehand groundstrokes (direction, depth, height)					
Uses backhand groundstrokes					
Places serves in correct service court					
Knows correct court positioning as the serve and return team					
Approaches the non-volley line to hit volleys					
Keeps the ball in play on short rallies					
Dinks the ball at the net					
Attempts to hit a slower paced ball landing in the non-volley zone (3 rd shot)					
Has adequate mobility, moving in a safe and balanced manner					
Attempts overhead shot					
Has adequate eye-hand-ball coordination					

X-not observed 0-unable to execute 1-poorly executed 2-good basic skills/needs work 3-consistent execution

Observer Signature: _____

Player Signature: _____

Skill Execution Component:

SERVE: /10

RETURN OF SERVE: /10

DINKING: /10



BOW VALLEY PICKLEBALL ASSOCIATION Rating Skills Assessment 3.0 Level of Play

Name: _____ Date: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Also demonstrates most/all of 2.5 skills

	0	1	2	3	Comments
Demonstrates control on forehand groundstrokes (placement, direction, depth)					
Demonstrates control on backhand groundstrokes (placement, direction, depth)					
Consistently places serve deep into the court					
Demonstrates placement of serves to opponent's backhand					
Uses deeper and higher returns of serve to allow time to approach the net					
Approaches the non-volley line quickly rather than staying back					
Demonstrates the ability to sustain short volley sessions at the net					
Exhibits correct court positioning for doubles and knows how to "move as a team"					
Uses the forehand lob with some success					
Demonstrates the use of a forehand or backhand drop shot from the back of the court - slow-paced ball (3 rd shot)					
Maintains a sustained dink exchange at the net					
Adjusts to differing ball speeds (serves, volleys, ground strokes)					
Consistently returns the ball lower over the net					
Has good mobility, quickness, hand-eye coordination					

X-not observed 0-unable to execute 1-poorly executed 2-good basic skills/needs work 3-consistent execution

Tester Signature: _____ Club Rating: _____

Player Signature: _____

Skill Test Component:

SERVE: /10

RETURN OF SERVE: /10

DINKING: /10



BOW VALLEY PICKLEBALL ASSOCIATION Rating Skills Assessment 3.5 Level of Play

Name: _____ Date: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Also demonstrates most/all of 3.0 skills	0	1	2	3	Comments
Demonstrates control/consistency on backhand groundstrokes (placement, direction, depth)					
Places serves deep into the court					
Uses deeper and higher returns of serve to approach the net quicker					
Quickly approaches the non-volley line					
Able to play with partners effectively using court strategies like partner communication, and changing a losing game					
Avoids hitting out of bounds balls and limits unforced errors					
Consistently returning lower balls over the net					
Demonstrates a wide variety of shots with some consistency					
Uses slower paced shots vs faster paced shots to their advantage					
Able to create coverage gaps and then hit to these gaps					
Sustains a short volley session at the net with some placement and control					
Initiates and is able to maintain a sustained dink exchange at the net					
Utilizes a slow-paced ball (soft shot) to approach the net (3 rd shot)					
Consistently able to adjust to differing ball speeds					
Hits overheads with control and accuracy					
Uses a forehand and backhand lob when appropriate					
Demonstrates patience during rallies					
Has good mobility, quickness, hand-eye coordination					

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Skill Test Component:

SERVE: /10

RETURN OF SERVE: /10

DINKING: /10



BOW VALLEY PICKLEBALL ASSOCIATION Rating Skills Assessment 4.0 Level of Play

Name: _____ Date: _____

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Also demonstrates most/all of 3.5 skills

	0	1	2	3	Comments
Controls and places serves and return of serves					
Consistent and dependable forehand & backhand (direction, depth, place, pace)					
Consistent and dependable volleys (direction, depth, place, pace)					
Consistent and dependable overheads (direction, depth, place, pace)					
Accurate and appropriately timed and placed lobs					
Consistently executes slow paced (3 rd shot) to approach net					
Initiates and maintains a sustained dink exchange at net to elicit put away shot					
Able to initiate a change of pace in a rally					
Can block and return fast, hard volleys					
Can keep ball in play returning fast paced shots					
Moves effectively with partner, easily switching sides with good communication					
Controls play at the non-volley line, keeping opponents back, driving them off the line & controlling the speed or placement of the ball					
Consistently creates coverage gaps and hits to these gaps					
Recognizes and exploits weaknesses in their opponent's game					
Poaches effectively					
Developing their use of spin on a variety of shots					
Maintains patience in rallies					
Has good mobility, quickness, hand-eye coordination					

X-not observed 0-unable to execute 1 -poorly executed 2-good basic skills/needs work 3-consistent execution

Tester Signature: _____ Club Rating: _____

Player Signature: _____

Skill Test Component:

SERVE: /10

RETURN OF SERVE: /10

DINKING: /10