



MARKHAM PICKLEBALL CLUB

Participant Policies

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1. Purpose

These Participant Policies establish eligibility, conduct, supervision, and participation standards for all individuals engaging in Markham Pickleball Club (MPC) activities. These policies apply to all members, guests, minors, coaches, volunteers, directors, and participants in any MPC program, clinic, ladder, league, event, or activity.

2. Minimum Age Requirement

- The minimum age to participate in any MPC activity is 10 years old.
- Individuals under the age of 10 are not eligible to participate in MPC programs or membership.

3. Minor Participants (Under 18)

For the purposes of MPC participation, a minor is any individual under 18 years of age.

3.1 Parental / Guardian Consent

- All minors must complete the required MPC registration process, including execution of the applicable waiver by a parent or legal guardian prior to participation.
- No minor may participate without verified consent.
- The signing guardian assumes legal responsibility for the minor's participation.



3.2 Supervision Requirements

Ages 10–15

- A parent or legal guardian (18 years or older) must be physically present at the facility for the full duration of participation.
- MPC does not provide custodial supervision.
- The supervising adult remains responsible for the minor’s conduct and immediate care.

3.3 Delegated Supervision

- A parent or legal guardian may designate another responsible adult (18 years or older) to supervise a minor participant during MPC activities.
- The parent or legal guardian remains legally responsible for the minor at all times.
- The designated supervising adult must be physically present at the facility for the duration of participation.
- MPC may require prior written notification of delegated supervision, including the name and contact information of the supervising adult.
- MPC does not assume custodial responsibility for minor participants.

Ages 16–17

- May participate independently without a parent physically present.
- Must have a completed waiver on file.
- Must comply fully with all MPC conduct standards and program requirements.

4. Membership Eligibility

- Individuals aged 10 and older may hold membership, subject to these Participant Policies.
- Membership does not alter supervision requirements for minors.
- MPC reserves the right to restrict certain competitive or advanced programs to participants aged 16 or older where appropriate for safety or competitive balance.



5. Conduct & Behaviour Standards

All participants must comply with the Markham Pickleball Club Code of Conduct acknowledged at the time of registration. The Code of Conduct forms part of the participant agreement through the registration system.

MPC does not tolerate harassment, bullying, discrimination, intimidation, or abusive behaviour.

6. Risk Awareness & Waiver Requirements

As a condition of participation, all registrants — including minors through parent or guardian consent — must execute the Pickleball Canada Release of Liability, Waiver of Claims, Assumption of Risks, and Indemnity Agreement through the official registration system.

Failure to complete the waiver renders the individual ineligible to participate.

7. Enforcement & Authority

MPC reserves the right to issue warnings, remove a participant from a session, suspend participation privileges, or revoke membership where conduct is deemed unsafe, disruptive, or inconsistent with these policies.

All enforcement decisions are at the discretion of the MPC Board of Directors or its designated representatives.

8. Policy Authority

The MPC Board of Directors may interpret, amend, or update these Participant Policies as necessary to ensure safety, operational integrity, and insurance compliance.