

# Valleystream Pickleball Club (VPC or Club) Court Use Policies

## (2024)

### Court Use

- Members are allowed to use empty courts, without a reservation, under the following conditions:
  - If there is no existing reservation for the court, or
  - If there is an existing reservation but the court is still not in use on the half-hour
- Members who use an empty court must leave the court after their current game if:
  - For Drop-in Courts: There are paddles waiting in the paddle rack
  - For Other Courts: The person who made the reservation arrives
- Anyone entering and/or using the courts has a responsibility to ensure no damage is caused by their use. Examples include, but are not limited to:
  - Wearing footwear or bringing equipment on (chairs/bags) that could damage the surface
  - Consuming food or drink that could leave residue on the courts

### Challenge Court Process

- Court #8 is designated the Challenge Court for everyone. All games are doubles played to 11. Winning teams may stay on the court until they are defeated or until they have won 3 consecutive games (then they may put their paddles back in the queue if they wish)
- At the end of each game, the players with the next 2 paddles in the Challenge Court rack will take the court as challengers.
- Court #8 is designated as the Challenge Court during morning drop-in (9AM-Noon) Mondays/Wednesdays/Fridays with the following exceptions:
  - If the Club is hosting a special event, Court #8 might be required.
  - The Club reserves the right to place the Challenge Court back into drop-in play if some of the courts are out of service to allow more players to rotate on and off the courts.
  - If all drop-in courts are being used, there are paddles in the queue, and there are no paddles in the Challenge Court rack then the next 4 players in the drop in paddle rack may use the Challenge Court for their game.
- If players from the morning drop-in are on the Challenge Court, those queued for the Challenge Court must wait their turn to use the Court.

### Advanced Level Drop-In Process

- Court #8 is designated an advanced level drop in court on Tuesdays and Thursdays. All games are doubles played to 11.
- Players will self identify and may range from 3.7 to 4.5
- All 4 players must exit after 1 game unless there are no players waiting in the queue