



Lowcountry Pickleball Leagues

Captain & Co-Captain Code of Conduct and Responsibilities

The **Team Captain and Co-Captain (or acting team representative)** are responsible for ensuring that their team complies with all rules, policies, and standards established by the **Lowcountry Pickleball Leagues**.

Captain Responsibilities

1. **Sportsmanship** – Promote a respectful, competitive environment and ensure players treat all participants with respect regardless of age, race, sex, or ability.
2. **Roster Submission** – Submit and finalize all team rosters by the league’s seasonal deadline.
3. **Age Eligibility** – Verify that all rostered players will be **50 years of age by December 31 of the current year**.
4. **Fees & Waivers** – Ensure team fees are paid in full and that **all players sign the required waiver before participating**.
5. **League Registration Fees** – **No additional fees may be attached to the league registration fee**.
6. **Player Rating Verification** – Confirm each player’s **DUPR “reliability” player rating** and eligibility for the division entered. Contact the League Commissioner if clarification is needed.
7. **Lineups** – Follow league rules and By-Laws when setting lineups. **Lineup stacking is prohibited**.
8. **Order of Strength** – Complete the **Order of Strength (Courts 1–3)** for each rostered player on the league website (follow the OoS chart in the By-laws once players reach the 50%+ reliability threshold).
9. **Rules Knowledge** – Be familiar with **USA Pickleball rules, league modified rules, and the league By-Laws**.
10. **Player Awareness** – Ensure all players understand league rules, modified rules, and this Code of Conduct.
11. **Team Practices** – Practices may be organized but must remain **voluntary**.
12. **Match Changes** – Notify the Commissioner of **match reschedules, cancellations, court splits, or forfeits within 24 hours** of the originally scheduled match.
13. **Split Courts** – I shall not request a Split Court if I have 6 players of the correct OoS available for a scheduled match.
14. **Score Reporting** – The **Home Team Captain** must post match scores on the league website **within 24 hours** of match completion.
15. **Protests** – Written protests regarding match results, player conduct, or unusual circumstances must be submitted to the Commissioner **within 24 hours of the incident**.
16. **Conduct of Players & Spectators** – Ensure all players and spectators follow league rules and behave appropriately.
17. **Leadership & Sportsmanship** – Serve as a positive role model and promote respectful behavior and good sportsmanship.
18. **Unsportsmanlike Conduct** – Booming, taunting, refusing to shake hands or tap paddles, profanity, or offensive gestures are prohibited.
19. **Conflict Resolution** – Encourage respectful resolution of on-court disputes. Captains should only intervene if requested by players involved.
20. **Safety & Well-Being** – Promote the health, safety, and well-being of all league participants above competitive outcomes.

21. **Spectator Responsibility** – Captains are responsible for their spectators. Spectators **may not interfere with play, call faults, correct scores, coach players, or disrupt matches.**
22. **Roster Integrity** – Falsifying player information on rosters, score sheets, or league documents is prohibited. Use of ineligible players will result in **match forfeiture and possible captain disciplinary action or removal from the league.**
23. **Abuse & Ejection** – Any captain or player who **verbally or physically abuses** another participant will be **immediately ejected**, must leave the facility, and the team will **forfeit the match.**