

South Portland Parks, Recreation and Waterfront Pickleball Open Gym Program Rules

The South Portland Community Center gym has 6 courts. The 3 courts on Court A (closest to check in table) tend to have beginner to intermediate skill level of play on them. The 3 courts on court B (other side of curtain/far side of gym) tend to have intermediate and advance skill level of play on them. However, participants are able to play on any side they like.

PAYMENT/SIGN IN

Please pay and sign in with the gym supervisor when you enter the gym.

OPEN GYM GUIDELINES

Games are 2 v 2. Winners stay on for the next game but do not play more than 2 in a row. If there is no one waiting to play no one needs to sit out a game. If you enter the gym and all the courts are full, place your paddle down on the front bleacher to be get in line to play. This is the queue/wait to play.

Once, the queue reaches 2 people the rotation is two players off and the next two players in the queue are on. Once, the queue reaches eight paddles the rotation turns to 4 players off and four players on. This means “winner stays on” no longer applies and there is a full court change.

Scoring – Games will be played to 11 (win by 2). Once, the paddle queue reaches 8 participants waiting game scoring will change to 9 points (first to 9 wins). This is to speed up the games so people can get more games in at a quicker rate.

EQUIPEMNT/MATS

We have pickleballs, nets and paddles to use during open gym.

If you are setting up and taking down the nets please do it with care. If there is a problem with the equipment, please report it to the on-site recreation gym supervisor. If you take out a mat to place next to the bleachers please bring it back to its home at the end of the program.

QUESTIONS/CONCERNS

If you are experiencing any issues with the program please direct your concerns to the on-site recreation gym supervisor.

BULLYING AND AGGRESSIVE BEHAVIORS WILL NOT BE TOLERATED. IF THESE BEHAVIORS OCCUR THE RESPONSIBLE PARTY WILL BE SUSPENDED FROM THE PROGRAM.