

RULEBOOK



PICKLEBALL WORLD CUP 2024

BICENTENNIAL EDITION

OCT 26TH-27TH
LIMA, PERU

1. INTRODUCTION

The Pickleball World Cup is an exciting international competition, where delegations showcase their country's talent. Each team must have at least 2 men and 2 women, with a maximum of 9 participants, and must have a Captain and it is optional to have a Coach. The competition takes place in a unique and fun format that includes men's doubles, women's doubles, mixed doubles and a Singles final battle in the event of a tie.

2. GENERAL INFORMATION

DATE AND PLACE

The Pickleball World Cup will be held on October 26th and 27th. The competition will take place at the National Sports Village (VIDENA), located in the San Luis district, Lima, Peru.

DELEGATION

The delegation of each country must be made up of players born in the country or resident foreigners. Every player would be required to submit or show their passport or residency card.

Each delegation will have their assigned Team Coordinator to be the point of contact between the Organizing committee and the country delegation.

TEAM CAPTAINS

Each team must designate a Captain, who will be responsible for presenting the lineup to the referee before each match and will be present throughout the match. The Captain can be a team member who will not actively be involved

in the games. Captain's armbands will be provided for identification. In case of any problem during the competition, the Captain will act as liaison with the Organizing Committee. The Captain's attendance at the captains' meeting is mandatory.

TEAM UNIFORMS

Each Country Team must provide their country's flag and wear identical uniforms that reflect the colors of their flag and the country's name on the back, as shown in the image below. The entire team must be properly uniformed, that is, they must wear shorts, socks and similar accessories throughout the event. Additionally, it is recommended to bring warm-up team suits for the opening day.



If you would like to add a local sponsor on the team uniforms, it would have to be submitted and approved by the Organization Committee.

Also, as part of the activities, we suggest to bring extra gear, such as souvenirs, pins, etc... to participate in this fraternization exchange with the other delegations. The Merchandise

Exchange is a tradition within international competitions that fosters fellowship and cultural exchange among players from different countries, and contributes to strengthening ties within the pickleball community.

3. MATCH STRUCTURE

WARM-UP

Before each match, all teams will be given time to perform warm-up exercises.

RAFFLE

Before each game, the referee will conduct a way to determine at random which team will serve first and each team's side of the court. The referee will be responsible for carrying out the raffle by tossing a coin.

SCORE

Each game will be played using the Rally Scoring system at 15 or 21 points, where a difference of 2 points is needed to win. There is no freeze rule, meaning every point counts towards the score. Players will change ends when one of the teams reaches the score of 8 or 11 points, as previously agreed.

CHANGE OF SIDES/SERVER

After each point, players will not change sides of the court. Player A will remain on the right side and Player B will remain on the left side throughout the game, regardless of the score.

However, a team has the option to change sides during a timeout or a designated change of sides interval. The player must inform the referee about this change before resuming play. The referee is not required to notify the opposing team of the change, but will do so if requested. Before resuming play, the referee will confirm with the receiving player whether they are in the desired position. Once confirmed, positions will remain fixed until another change is requested during a team timeout. The referee will then check with the server team to see if they are in the desired position before calling the score and continuing play.

OFFICIAL BALL

The official ball will be supplied by the Pickleball World Cup Organizing Committee.

LET SERVICES

Let services will not be considered invalid. If the served ball touches the net and lands on the correct side of the court, the serve will be considered valid.

4. COMPETITION ORDER

GROUP STAGE

Each country will compete in a group stage where they will face all other teams in their group in a round-robin format. These matches will be played using the 15-point Rally Scoring system (win by a difference of 2 points). In case of a tie, a final battle will take place. However, if a team wins 3 games to 1 or 4 games to 0, the final battle will not be needed to be played.

QUALIFICATION

In case all groups have the same number of countries, the countries that have won the most matches will automatically qualify. If there is a tie, the difference in matches will be considered. In the event of a second tie, the point difference will be taken into account. If the tie still persists, it will be resolved through a play analysis and with a consensus among the parties involved, based on who won the direct confrontation between the tied countries.

If the groups have an odd number of countries, the countries with the most matches won will qualify. In the event of a tie, the point difference will be taken into account. If a second tie persists, it will be resolved through a play analysis and with a consensus among the parties involved, based on who won the direct confrontation between the tied countries.

PLAYOFFS

The two highest-ranked countries in each group will advance to the playoffs. These matches will be played using the 21-point Rally

Scoring system, which you win by a difference of 2 points. Once a country wins three games, the match will automatically end.

FINAL BATTLE (SINGLES TIEBREAKER)

In the event of a 2-2 tie after the gender doubles and mixed doubles matches, a Singles Final Battle will be held. This will consist of a 15 or 21 point game (win by a difference of 2 points), using the Rally Scoring system. Each Singles player will serve from the side based on their team's score. The Captain must present the lineup list of his team, with 2 men and 2 women. During the Final Battle, each team will rotate their 4 players to play 3 singles rallies in a set order. Player 1 will play 3 rallies, then player 2, then player 3 and finally player 4. This rotation will repeat in the same order until the Final Battle is completed.



5. COACHING

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Each team will have the option to add a Team Coach. Coaching by team members not participating in the game and/or the Coach is permitted as long as the ball is not in play. However, the Coach must not interfere with the normal development of the game or interrupt the opposing team.

TIMEOUTS REQUESTED BY THE PLAYER

During the group stage, each team has the right to request one timeout per game. In the playoffs, two timeouts are allowed per team.

INJURIES/OTHER TIME-OUTS

Each player is entitled to an additional time-out

for medical reasons during the match. The 15-minute timer will begin counting once medical personnel are present on the court. Additionally, the referee will call timeouts in case of equipment problems.

SUBSTITUTIONS RULE (OPTIONAL)

During each change of ends in a match, the captain has the option to substitute one of their players, as long as the players in Mixed Doubles 1 do not play in Mixed Doubles 2. This means they cannot play again. This rule applies to all teams, with the exception of those with 4 participants on their team.

ACCOMODATION OPTION

NATIONAL SPORTS VILLAGE ACCOMODATION – VIDENA

- It is located inside the venue where the Pickleball World Cup will be held.
- The rooms are only available for the delegations on a first come, first serve basis.
- Booking the rooms is only available on the Pickleball World Cup website by the Team Coordinator.
- Each room will cost USD 60.00 per day, and is available up to 4 members of each delegation.
- Each delegation will have the option to book up to 2 rooms.
- Rooms will be available from Monday 21st to 28th October.
- The check-in time will be at 2:00 p.m. and the check-out time will be at 12:00 pm.

Note: Each country is free to choose an accommodation elsewhere.

For more information on accommodation, **visit the website: www.copamundialdepickleball.com**

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