

Sun City Hilton Head Pickleball Club

Court Utilization Policy

Introduction:

This policy statement augments the Sun City Hilton Head Pickleball Club's (the "Club") By-Laws. In the event of conflict, the Club By-Laws shall prevail. This policy statement is intended to memorialize Club Board decisions regarding Club activities and operations.

Court Utilization Policy:

The Club recognizes that the pickleball courts in our community are provided by the Sun City Hilton Head Community Association (the "Association") for use by all Association members and that Club membership is not required to use the pickleball courts. However, the Club is authorized to schedule use of the courts as permitted by the Association's Chartered Club Rules and Procedures.

Use of the courts is categorized as "open time" or "Club time." During open time, any Association member may reserve a court. The Association insists that a minimum of 25% of available court time be open time. The starting time and duration of open play is established by the Club.

The remainder of available court time is Club time. Club time is scheduled by the Club, generally in the following order of priority:

- Special Events (e.g., Low Country Pickleball Classic)
- Lottery (i.e., scheduled Club member play)
- Training/Instruction
- Leagues/Ladders
- Other organized play programs

Special Events:

Use of the courts for special events must be approved by the Club Board. Because special events may be scheduled during open and Club time, the number of special events approved during a calendar year will be solely at the discretion of the Club Board. Special events may be hosted by the Club or managed by external organizations acceptable to the Association. Club members shall have priority of participation in any such special event.

Lottery:

Currently, courts 1-12 (or $\frac{2}{3}$ of the available courts) are reserved for use by Club members during the most favorable playing hours ("Prime Time") through the lottery system ("Lottery"). Per Lottery rules, team captains are responsible to cancel a lottery court reservation as soon as it is apparent a court(s) will not be used. Extended cancellations can be arranged through a Club Board member

Training/Instruction:

Approved by the Board September 13, 2023

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Courts may be reserved for training/instruction in accordance with the Club's Court Utilization Policy.

Leagues/Ladders:

League formats must be approved by the Club Board. Scheduled use of courts for League/Ladder play will be based on availability and limited to non-Prime Time on weekends. If necessary, make-up play may be scheduled during non-weekend times with at least 4 days advance notice. Practice for league play will not be pre-scheduled.

Other organized play:

Sun City has a non-solicitation policy, therefore events requested to support unique causes cannot be honored. General intra community play will not be scheduled by the club.