

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 Club Time is determined by the Club. The remainder of available court time is Open 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) / Rated Open 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 / Rated Open Play:

Club Time is divided between Lottery Time and Rated Open Play. Per Lottery rules, team captains are responsible to cancel a lottery court reservation as soon it is apparent a court(s) will not be used. Extended cancellations can be arranged through a Club Board member. Rated Open Play is scheduled based on demand. The current schedule for Open Rated Play is available on the Club's website.

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Training/Instruction:

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.

Violations:

Reserving a court under false pretenses, not using a reserved court, or inviting a non-Club member to play during Lottery times (more than 3 times per year - per the SCHH amenity guest policy) is a violation of this Policy and may result in a loss of Club privileges or other disciplinary action.

Reserving a court under false pretenses by securing a court reservation through Chelsea using the CAM number of a person, with or without their permission, who is not expected to play during the reserved time is a violation. With the exception of household members.

Consequence: If Lottery related: after a warning, failure to correct the situation going forward will result in loss of lottery privileges. If Chelsea related: after a warning, such future infraction of Association rules will be referred to CAM for action.

Failure to cancel an unused court reservation, except for reasons such as inclement weather, is a violation. Members are required to cancel court reservations they know will be un-utilized at the earliest opportunity whether the reservation is made through the Lottery or through the Chelsea system.

Consequence: After two written warnings, a third instance will result in loss of Lottery privileges for the remainder of the Lottery period for the group.

Allowing non-Club members to participate in Club activities is a violation. Non-Club members or guests are not permitted to participate in Club activities, including Lottery playing times.

Consequence: After a second warning, failure to correct the situation will result in loss of Lottery privileges for the remainder of the Lottery period.

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Appeals:

A member whose privileges are revoked may appeal against the revocation to the Club Board. Appeals shall be in writing, addressed to Club Board by using the “contact us” feature of the Club Website (schhpickleballclub.com). The appeal will be added to the Board’s next agenda, and the board will solely decide if the appellee should be invited to attend the meeting.