PICKLESLAM 2025

17, 18, 24, 25 May 2025, Saturday and Sunday

1.Rules

1.1 The tournament shall be governed in accordance with the General Rules and Regulations of the PickleSlam 2025 set out herein, the SPA Sanctioned Tournament Structure and Tournament Participant's Code of Ethics (***Appendix A***).

1.1 The tournament is open to all participants.

1.2 Unless otherwise stated, we shall be adopting the latest edition of the USA Pickleball Official Rulebook.

1.3 The scoring system shall follow the Conventional Scoring System with no deuce rule (i.e. in Round Robin and Elimination Round, first pair to reach 11 points win). In the Medalled matches, we will be following the Conventional Scoring System, first pair to reach 15 points, with no deuce. Players may refer to ***Appendix B*** for Traditional Scoring Rules.

1.4 We shall be using USA Pickleball approved **JOOLA Heleus Pickleballs (Yellow)** for this tournament.

1.5 Any queries can be sent to hello@picklego.co.

2. Event Details

Venue	**DELTA SPORT CENTRE** 900 Tiong Bahru Road, Singapore 158790 *The tournament venue is an outdoor court (non-sheltered).
Dates	17, 18, 24 and 25 May 2025 (Saturday and Sunday) *If the event is rained out, the tournament will be postponed to 24 and 25 May 2025 (Please reserve both days).
Time	17 and 24 May: 12pm to 10pm 18 and 25 May: 7am to 10pm
Registration Open/Closing	1 May 2025
Registration Fee	**Singles Event** • $75 (Early Bird – Before 31 March 2025) • $90 (Normal –31 March to 1 May 2025) **Doubles Event** • $150 (Early Bird – Before 31 March 2025) • $180 (Normal –31 March to 1 May 2025) **Team Event** • $400 (Early Bird – Before 31 March 2025) • $500 (Normal –31 March to 1 May 2025) *Fee includes **one complimentary event T-shirt** per person only for the entire tournament, regardless of the number of divisions registered. T-shirt size shall be subjected to availability.
Skill Level	Open, no restriction in Skill Level.
Participant Briefing	Briefing Slides will be sent out by 10 May 2025.

3. Division Details

There are a total of 8 divisions, played over the tournament dates. Their respective maximum capacities are detailed in the table below, on a first-come-first-served basis. Depending on the final registration numbers and court schedule, organisers may adjust the participation capacities.

Age Group	Men's Singles	Women's Singles	Men's Doubles	Women's Doubles	Mixed Doubles	Team Event
19+	**MS19+**	**WS19+**	**MD19+**	**WD19+**	**MXD19+**	**TE (Min 4 pax, Max 6 pax, with min. 2 female and 2 male)**
35+	**MS35+**	**N/A**	**MD35+**	**WD35+**	**MXD35+**	
50+	**MS50+**	**N/A**	**MD50+**	**WD50+**	**MXD50+**	

Date	Morning	Afternoon	Evening - Night
17 May (Sat)	N/A	MXD19+ MXD50+	MXD35+
18 May (Sun)	MD35+ (From 7am) WD50+ WD19+	MD19+ (From 11am) WD35+ MD50+	
24 May (Sat)	N/A	Team Event Round Robin and R16	Team Event Quarter Finals, Semi Finals, Finals Reserved for Wet Weather
25 May (Sun)	MS35+ WS19+ MS19+	MS50+ (From 11.30am)	Reserved for Wet Weather

**Note: PickleGO reserves the rights to change the schedule if the situation requires it. As much as possible, we will try our best to stick to the current schedule. Also bear in mind that this is an outdoor tournament and is subject to weather conditions. We ask for all participants to try to free up the two weekends if possible should the matches delay due to wet weather.*

Age Groups (Based on year of birth)	**19+**	**Open Category (For all age groups, no minimum age. For players below the age of 18 shall require parental consent.)**
	35+	**35 years and above**
	50+	**50 years and above**

4. Tournament Format (Singles, Doubles, Team)

4.1 Round 1 shall be Group Play in Round Robin format; and Round 2 onwards, shall be Single Elimination format.

4.2 Round Robin Groups shall be arranged by seeding according to DUPR (as of registration date) and a chance draw occurs. The Tournament Committee reserves the rights to make changes if necessary.

4.4 If a Division has 4 or less entries, the Division shall be withdrawn or combined. If the category is closed, participants shall receive a full refund.

4.5 For all Divisions, only the top 2 teams in the individual Round Robin groups shall proceed to play Single Eliminations in Round 2. All other teams in the group shall be eliminated.

4.6 The Organisers and Tournament Committee shall have the right to modify the Divisions and Match Format.

4.7 The first team to reach the stated points below shall be the winner.

Matches	Traditional Scoring
Group Play (Round Robin)	11 points with no deuce
Elimination Round	11 points with no deuce
Medalled Matches	15 points with no deuce

(3/4th, Finals)	

4.8 In the Group Round, all teams shall play each other in Round Robin format. Group Winners are determined based on the number of matches won. If two or more teams are tied, ties shall be resolved by comparing won/loss differential in the following order:

- **Tie Breaker 1 –** Comparing Overall Points Differential (i.e. total number of points won, total number of points lost)
- **Tie Breaker 2 –** Between the qualifying teams, who won in the head to head match to determine advancement to next round

4.9 Only Medalled matches shall be Officiated. Therefore, all other matches shall be Non-Officiated. Players shall track and call their own scores before serving, in accordance with the guidelines spelt out in the Official Rulebook.

4.10 The team that lost in the Semi-finals shall compete for the Bronze Medal. The team that wins the Semi-finals shall compete in the Championship match.

4.11 The Tournament Committee may at their sole discretion assign or add officials to officiate any match. This can be done before the match commences and during the match.

4.12 Team Tournament Format:

- Each Team shall consist of a minimum of 4 players, a maximum of 6 players, with at least 2 male and 2 female.
- Each team will have to play: **1** Men's Doubles, **1** Women's Doubles, **1** Mixed Doubles.
- There shall be no age restriction/criteria for the team event.

5. Prizes

Medals (Gold, Silver & Bronze), Prize Money and Prizes shall be awarded for all the Divisions listed.

6. Supplementary Rules

6.1 PickleSlam is a Tier 2 tournament and will be sanctioned by Singapore Pickleball Association. Note that there will be SPA ranking points from PickleSlam.

6.2 The skill level for this Tournament shall be **Open.**

6.3 There is no restriction on the number of divisions an individual can register. However, players must ensure that they do not register in divisions that take place in the same

time slot e.g. MXD35+ and MXD19+. It is the onus of the participant to check for schedule clashes.

6.4 For registration of doubles events, please note that details of both players are required. Player details required are:

- Full name
- Date of Birth
- Gender
- Email Address
- Contact Number
- Unisex T-shirt size
- DUPR rating (as of date of registration)
- Reclub Profile

6.5 Incomplete registrations shall be rejected immediately, and the slots reopened for registration.

6.6 There shall be no transfer of registrations across divisions. Therefore, substitution shall not be allowed even if the tournament is postponed to 24 and 25 May 2025.

6.7 There shall be no more changes to the players list after 1 May 2025, 2359 local time.

6.8 Falsified registrations shall be immediately deemed incomplete even if registration fees are paid. There shall be no refund and the slot shall be reopened for public registration again.

6.9 Participants requesting refunds or change of names, shall write in to hello@picklego.co. Note that should a refund be done or a name change, there shall be an administrative charge of 10% of registration fee.

6.10 Players may use any USA Pickleball approved paddle that is posted on the USA Pickleball website or UPA Pickleball approved paddle. Players are to note that non-approved or irregular paddles shall be subjected to compliance checks and non-compliant or irregular paddles shall not be allowed.

6.11 Apparels and/or clothing (shirt and shorts) of similar colour to ball shall not be allowed.

6.12 Due to the tight time schedule, players are required to report on time. If players are not on court within 5 minutes of designated match time, the game will be considered forfeited and the team that is present will be given a walkover.

6.13 The Organisers and Tournament Committee reserves the right to amend the rules and regulations or schedule the fixtures of the tournament as deemed fit. Participants shall be informed before the competition, and such decisions shall be final.

6.14 Any protest shall be made in writing accompanied by a protest fee of S$150.00 and must be lodged in person to the Organisers.

6.15 The Prize Presentation Ceremony shall be held with the conclusion of each Division. All prize winners or nominated personnel must be present in neat attire (no slippers and sandals) to receive the prize. Failing which, the Organisers reserves the right not to award the medal, prize money (if any) and trophy to the winner.

6.16 All media or photographs taken in the Tournament by the Organisers will belong to PickleGO and may be used for general publicity.

6.17 Marketing Consent - All registrants shall note that their contact details as listed with the tournament registration may be shared with Event Sponsors, and they may be contacted by means of post, voice calls and/or electronic transmission via email/messaging app, SMS/MMS.

APPENDIX A

PICKLEBALL TOURNAMENT PARTICIPANT'S CODE OF ETHICS

1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Pickleball is created to be a fun, competitive, and highly social sport. It embodies an ethic of good sportsmanship that includes respect, fair play, and graciousness in winning and losing. All players should strive to promote these foundational values and maintain a positive environment for all.

1.2 Ethics refers to the generally accepted norms of right or wrong behaviour, often based on universal values. Ethics is not about legality nor is it meant to be legalistic.

1.3 Athletes during tournaments, due to the strong pressure to win, and exposure to the public, are potentially vulnerable to various forms of ethical issues and concerns.

1.4 In order to maintain fair and reasonable standards of conduct by participants and players, to protect their respective rights, the rights of the public and the integrity and image of sport and that of pickleball, the Singapore Pickle-Ball Association has drawn up the Code of Ethics set out herein.

2 RESPECT FOR INDIVIDUAL

2.1 Treat and respect everyone equally, regardless of race, language, religion, culture, gender or physical ability.

2.2 Shall not use objectionable language directed at another person.

2.3 Shall not use profanities of any sort (audible or visible) for any reason.

2.4 Shall not argue aggressively with the officiating team, opponents, or spectators that disrupts the flow of play.

2.5 Shall not make taunts, threats, or challenges of any nature toward or against any person.

2.6 Shall not use ethnic, religious, racial, sexist or homophobic slurs.

3 INTEGRITY IN ACTIONS AND SPORTSMANSHIP

3.1 Players must protect the image of Pickleball and Sports by avoiding making a scene in public.

3.2 Players shall conduct themselves in a sportsmanlike manner at all times and give due regard to the authority of officials, opponents, and public.

3.3 Players should not disrupt the flow of play, e.g. taking time between rallies unnecessarily, repeatedly appealing line calls, challenging the referee's interpretation of a rule to lose the challenge subsequently, requesting for medical time out without a valid medical condition, etc.

3.4 Players must not abuse the ball and paddles by purposely breaking the balls or throwing the paddles.

3.5 Shall not portray unsportsmanlike behaviour, such as making repeated questionable "OUT" calls that, upon appeal, are overruled by the Officiating Team.

3.6 Always exhibiting "Best Effort", that is not deliberately playing down, defaulting, forfeiting or not giving best effort in matches, whether for their own benefit or otherwise.

4 SAFETY

4.1 Consider the safety of other participants, spectators and the general public in the same venue space.

4.2 Shall not aggressively or recklessly throw a paddle, or strike a ball in frustration or anger, with negligent disregard of the consequences.

4.3 Shall not strike any other person, damage or vandalise venue property and fixtures.

4.4 Shall not get into fights, or cause injury to player, official or spectator at any time during the tournament.

4.5 Shall not spit or cough on a person.

5 PROHIBITIONS

5.1 Consumption of alcoholic beverages is strictly not allowed in the venue.

6 SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY AND CIVIC-MINDEDNESS

6.1 Dispose waste in a proper manner and keep the tournament venue clean.

6.2 Shall not damage or vandalise venue property and fixtures.

APPENDIX B

CONVENTIONAL SCORING SYSTEM

- Points are scored only on the serve; the receiving side cannot score a point.
- At the start of the game, the player on the right side (even court) serves to the diagonally..
- If a point is scored, the server moves to the left side (odd court) and serves to the diagonally.
- Players on the serving side move from the right to left or left to right each time a point is scored.
- Players on the serving team do not alternate sides unless a point is scored. The receiving side never alternates sides.

- The first server continues to serve until the serving team loses a rally by committing a fault; then the serve passes to the second server on the team except in the first point (0 – 0 – 2 where the serve starts on the right side of the court being the second server).
- When the second server loses the serve, the serve goes to the other team and the player on the right serves first.
- Calling the Score:
    - The score should be called Server score - Receiver score - Server no. 1 or 2
    - To start a match, the score will be called as: 0 - 0 - 2
- There shall be only **ONE** time out of 60 seconds per side, per game, per set.

BEFORE THE GAME

- Chance Draw to determine side to serve/choose ends.
- Both sides Starting Server and Starting Receiver shall wear a wrist tag.

AFTER THE GAME

- Players are required to report the match scores to the Match Commissioner. The winning team shall sign on the scoresheet.