

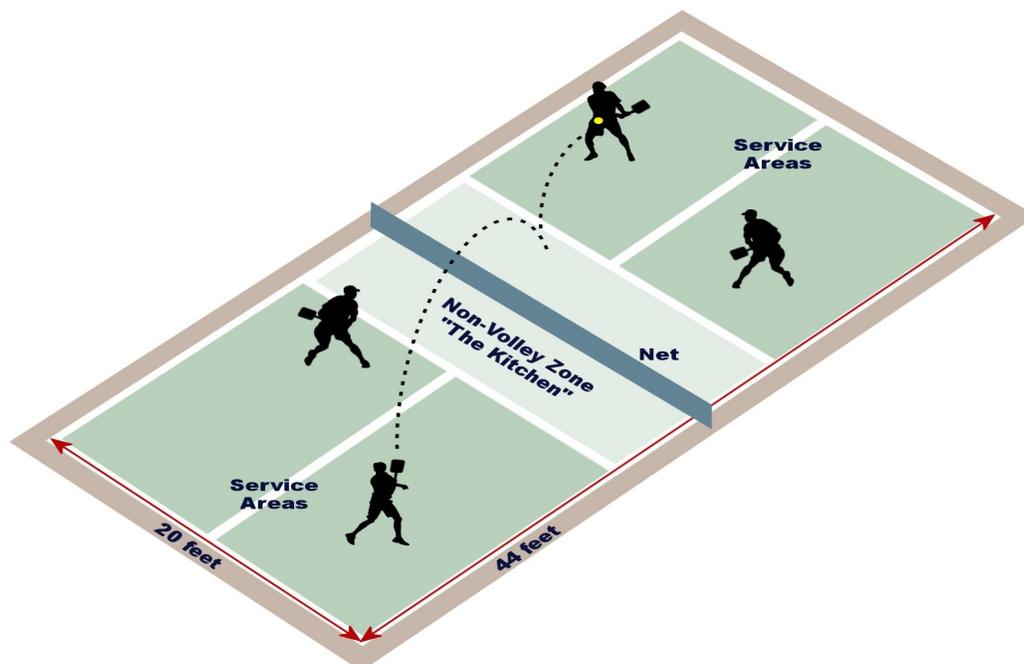
# Basic Rules of Pickleball

## Scoring

- Games are played until one team reaches 11 points, needing to win by two points or more. If the score is tied at 10-10, for example, play continues until one team has a two point advantage.
- Players must announce the score prior to serving; serving team's score is announced first.
- Similar to volleyball, a player or team can only score when serving.

## Serving

- Serve must be done below the waist in an underhand stroke.
- Serve must travel diagonally and land between the non-volley zone and the baseline of the service court opposite of the serving player.
- A player continues serving until he/she does not score a point, unless a "let" occurs.
- **If playing doubles**, only one player on the first serving team is allowed a service turn before turning the ball over to the opponents. After this point, both members of each team will have a service turn before the ball is turned over to the other team.
- When the serving team scores a point, the server moves to the other side of the serving team's court to serve again. Receiving team doesn't switch sides for serves.



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## Double Bounce Rule

- Each team must play their first shot off the bounce. In other words, the receiving team must let the serve bounce and the serving team must let the return of the serve bounce before playing it. After the two bounces have occurred, the ball can either be volleyed or played off the bounce.

## Non-Valley Zone or “Kitchen”

- Players cannot hit a volley while being inside of or touching the “kitchen” area.

## Faults

- As in tennis, the ball may only bounce once per side. After the ball is hit by a player, it must travel to the other side of the net.
- If the ball hits one of the sidelines or the baseline, it is playable.
- When a player or team fails to win the rally they are said to have made a fault. Some, but not all of the causes of faults:
  - Serving the ball into the incorrect area.
  - Hitting the ball out of bounds.
  - Volleying the ball before it has bounced once on each side.
  - Hitting the ball while in the non-volley zone before it is allowed to bounce.
  - Stepping on or over the non-volley zone line on a follow through.
  - Missing the ball when you try to hit it.
  - Server swings the paddle with the intent of hitting the ball but misses.

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