

# SOLIVITA SMASHERS LEAGUE GUIDELINES

*AV Homes has authorized Solivita Smashers Pickleball Club to assist in the management of the 17 pickleball courts at Solivita located at Freedom Park (13 courts) and the Palms (4 courts). The Smasher Board of Directors schedules activities and designated “open” play. The “scheduled” activities include, but are not limited to, leagues, tournaments, clinics, and classes/lessons.*

**LEAGUE PLAY** – This is reserved court(s) at a scheduled time and day for a defined group of players (league). The league determines the type of play for the scheduled courts. The courts may be used for competitive league play, challenge ladders, social play or other types of pickleball play.

## STARTING A LEAGUE

- A captain or designated representative contacts the League Scheduler and requests authorization.
  - Provide the name of the league, a contact with phone and email address, type of league (mixed, female, male), brief description of the league and skill level
  - Requested days, times and courts
  - **Only Smashers members may be in the league**
  - A list of players and subs is required (*minimum 6 players for 1 court, 10 players for 2 courts.*) Additional members should be added to allow for players unable to play every week.
  - Identify the league as “Open” if accepting additional members (regular or subs)
- The League Scheduler will review the application and authorize time and courts based on availability. The Scheduler will notify the League Representative promptly when the league is accepted and may begin “league” play. The league will be listed on the next monthly schedule.

## LEAGUE LIMITATIONS:

- A League may only reserve 2 courts at a given time.
- A League may only reserve up to 3 days a week for the same core group/regular players.
- All league players and subs must be Smashers members in good standing.
- Every League must update its League data (contact information and roster) as required to maintain its “League” status.
- Leagues that do not use their assigned courts for 3 consecutive weeks, as indicated on the League Schedule, may lose authorization for an assigned court.
  - Notify scheduler that the League is “Open” and seeking new members (& subs) to fill openings.
  - The league may contact the Scheduler to “Suspend” a court(s) for a specified period of time.
    - If another league requests the time/courts of the suspended league, the original league will be notified and can resume play to keep the assigned courts.
  - **Courts unused from 9:00 – 10:30 will be available to Members Only Open (MOO) players.**
- A League that wants to change the assigned time (&/or assigned court) must contact the League Scheduler for authorization. Any change will be based on availability.
- Guests may not take a member’s place on a league unless the captain has approved and no other members are available to play.

*While the board supports members playing often, as the number of members increases and with a limited number of “prime” court times (7:30 – noon), in fairness to all members, we encourage existing leagues to invite or include new members regularly so it does not become necessary to consider additional limits.*