

**FOUNTAIN OF THE SUN PICKLEBALL CLUB BYLAWS
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ARTICLE I NAME

The name of this organization will be the Fountain of the Sun Pickleball Club (FOSPC).

ARTICLE II PURPOSE

The purpose of this organization is to promote and manage pickleball play within the Fountain of the Sun community.

ARTICLE III MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Eligibility:

Membership in the FOSPC is open to all Fountain of the Sun (FOS) residents who occupy a dwelling. Short-term renters or visitors who are staying overnight with an FOS resident may also join.

Section 2. Benefits and Play:

- a. There are many benefits to becoming a member of the FOSPC. For all the benefits, go to <https://fospc.com/membership-benefits/>.
- b. Members and non-members can participate in open play.
- c. FOSPC members may participate in the organized round robin play, while non-members cannot participate in round robin play.

Section 3. Dues:

- a. Annual membership dues for the next fiscal year (January 1 through December 31) will be discussed, finalized, and approved by the Executive Board at the February board meeting. The dues will be announced at the February annual club meeting of the members. Dues announced at the February meeting of the members will be disseminated to all members via email or other electronic communication as appropriate following the meeting.
- b. Payment of Membership Dues: The FOSPC will accept dues for the next fiscal year (January 1 through December 31) as early as October 15.

1. New Members: New members should go to the New Membership Registration webpage at <https://fospc.com/new-membership-registration-pickleplanner/>. The webpage has important information regarding the use of 'quiet paddles.' After registering on Pickle Planner (<https://fospc.pickleplanner.com>), the new member should place their money (cash or check) in an envelope with their name on the outside of the envelope and then place it in the FOSPC drop box. Checks should be made out to FOSPC. The new member can also mail their dues to the address indicated at the New Membership Registration webpage. For new members to the FOSPC, their payment of dues is good from the date the payment is received through December 31.
2. Returning Members: The best way to pay dues is to place the money (cash or check) in an envelope. On the outside of the envelope, write your name, phone number, email address, and skill level and then place the envelope in the FOSPC drop box. If none of the aforementioned information has changed from the previous year, just write your name on the outside of the envelope. You can also mail your dues to one of the addresses indicated at the New Membership Registration webpage (see above paragraph).

Section 4. Court Reservations:

- a. The FOSPC uses "Pickle Planner," an online reservation system, for players to reserve court times on any of the three courts. Additional information regarding "Pickle Planner" can be found on the FOSPC website (FOSPC.com).
- b. Use of the Pickle Planner reservation system is for FOSPC members and all FOS Residents. **However, if a player plans to make recurring reservations, it is highly recommended that the player become a member of the FOSPC.**

ARTICLE IV MEETINGS

At least two of the four elected officers shall be present to officially conduct business of the regular and annual meetings of the members.

Section 1. Regular Meetings of the Members:

Regular club meetings will be conducted in the months of November, December, January, and March. The meeting days and time of the meetings will be determined by the Executive Board.

Section 2. Annual Meeting of the Members:

- a. The annual meeting will be in February.

- b. At the annual meeting, a quorum will consist of the members present.
- c. The recommended order of business at the annual meeting is as follows:
 - 1. Call to order
 - 2. Approval of the minutes
 - 3. Treasurer's report
 - 4. President's report, including the annual dues for next season
 - 5. Standing committee reports (if applicable)
 - 6. Special committee reports (if applicable)
 - 7. Old business
 - 8. New business
 - 9. Election of officers
 - 10. Adjournment

Section 3. Special Meetings:

- a. Special meetings of the membership may be called by any three members of the Executive Board.
- b. At special meetings of the FOSPC membership, a quorum will consist of members present.

ARTICLE V OFFICERS

Section 1. Officers and Term:

- a. Officers shall be a President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer. Each will be elected for a term of three years and each may be reelected for another one, two or three-year term at the discretion of the candidate. Terms commence with the March club meeting and the new board responsibilities commence with that meeting.
- b. If for any reason an officer cannot complete his/her term of office, the Executive Board will appoint a replacement for the balance of the term.

- c. Terms of officers should be staggered as much as possible. The number of officers up for reelection will be determined by the Executive Board.

Section 2. Voting:

When voting on a motion during a meeting, the board members shall follow Robert's Rules of Order. For instance, the president can vote to make or break a tie. If the president's vote causes a tie vote, the motion is defeated. The president does not vote at other times because his or her vote can influence the other members and how they vote. The president is to remain impartial.

Section 3. Nominating Committee and Election:

If needed, the President will announce a nominating committee of at least two members at the January meeting. The nominating committee will report its recommended nominees at the February annual meeting. Further nominations may be presented by any member who has secured the consent of the nominee. The election will take place at the annual meeting.

Section 4. Duties of Officers. The duties of each officer are described below. Although some of the duties may be done by a designated representative, the applicable officer should ensure the duties are accomplished.

- a. The President will be responsible for:
 - 1. Scheduling rooms for all club meetings and fundraising events.
 - 2. Presiding at all club and Executive Board meetings.
 - 3. Appointing committee chairpersons and committees when appropriate.
 - 4. Performing other duties as agreed upon by the Executive Board.
- b. The Vice-President will possess all the powers of the President and may perform the duties of the President in the event of the President's absence or disability.
- c. The Secretary will be responsible for:
 - 1. Drafting the minutes of meetings.
 - 2. Posting the minutes of meetings on the FOSPC website.
 - 3. Notifying members of meetings and activities.

4. Maintaining permanent club records.
 5. Other duties agreed upon by the Executive Board.
- d. The Treasurer will be responsible for:
1. Handling and managing the funds of the club.
 2. Maintaining the membership roster.
 3. Completing books and records of accounts which shall be open to all members.

Section 5. Executive Board:

- a. The Executive Board is composed of the elected officers and will be empowered to conduct any necessary business which may arise between club meetings.
- b. At least two of the four elected officers shall be present to conduct business at an Executive Board meeting.
- c. Board members may use audio-visual or other telecommunication methods to participate at the Executive Board meetings.

ARTICLE VI COMMITTEES

Section 1. Standing Committees:

The President will appoint committee chairpersons for all standing committees by the scheduled November meeting or as required.

Section 2. Special Committees:

The President or the Vice-President, with the consent of the Executive Board, may appoint special committees, as needed.

ARTICLE VII RULES AND REGULATIONS

Section 1. The activities of the FOSSPC shall be subject to these Bylaws.

Section 2. Court Policies:

- a. The FOSSPC will establish court policies and schedules governing the use of pickleball courts consistent with these Bylaws. The Fountain of the Sun Association Rules and Regulations, Section 7-109 (Pickleball), should be consistent with these Bylaws.

- b. Play on the courts will be according to USA Pickleball (USAP) rules.

Section 3. Code of Conduct:

- a. Members will compete in a friendly, non-abusive manner with both their partners and their opponents. As such, all members will refrain from foul or abusive language or acts to their fellow members and members of other clubs that participate in matches against FOSPC members.
- b. Violations of this policy will be reported in writing to the FOSPC Executive Board for appropriate discussion/corrective action.
 - 1. Such corrective actions, as determined by the Executive Board, may include a letter of reprimand, suspension from play, or removal from the club depending on the frequency and severity of the misconduct by the charged club member.
 - 2. Affected club members will be given the opportunity to meet with the Executive Board relative to any proposed action.
 - 3. Decisions of the FOSPC Executive Board will be final.

ARTICLE VIII PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

The most recently revised edition of Robert's Rules of Order shall govern the proceedings of the organization in all cases not provided by these Bylaws.

ARTICLE IX AMENDMENTS

These Bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of those present at any regular club meeting. Notice of the proposed amendment will be made available at least 10 days prior to the meeting.