



PICKLEBALL RULES

Eligibility

All players must be regular employees (full or part-time), interns or retirees of companies registered for the Des Moines Corporate Games.

General Rules

1. Current USA Pickleball rules will apply. Visit <https://usapickleball.org/what-is-pickleball/ifp-official-rules/> for a copy of these rules.
2. Players will be required to provide their own paddles. DMCG will provide pickleballs.
3. Teams will consist of 2 players.
4. Each participating company will be allowed 1 Men's, 1 Women's team and 1 Co-ed team
5. Winner's Bracket Format
 - a. 1 Game to 15 – Win by 2 (Cap of 17)
 - b. Switch sides once someone has 8 points
6. Consolation Bracket Format
 - a. 1 Game to 11 points – Win by 2 (Cap of 13)
 - b. Switch sides once someone has 8 points
7. The tournament format will be double elimination.

DMCG Point System

- o Medals will be awarded to the top three finishers in each category per division. Points will be awarded to the top six teams within each category per division, as follows:

Place	Points
1 st	500
2 nd	400
3 rd	300
4 th	200
5 th	50
6 th	50

- o Participation points will be awarded for all individuals or teams in the DMCG. To receive participation points, individuals or teams must complete the event as designed. Points for participation in Pickleball competition are as follows:

Event	Participation Points
Pickleball	50/Team

- o DMCG will assess Penalty Points to those companies whose competitors **do not show up for bracketed events**. It diminishes the spirit of the Games when a team or individual travels from across the Des Moines area to participate in one of these events, only to have their opponent forfeit. Penalty points will be assessed for the following events:

Event	Penalty Points
Pickleball	-50