



Policy: 001 **Code of Conduct**
Approved by: Board of Directors
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All members of Saskatoon Pickleball Inc. (SPI) agree to conduct themselves in a courteous and respectful manner while playing on the courts, while waiting their turn to play and while observing others play. Members are asked to respect the coordinators, court monitors, facilities, equipment and other players. SPI's goal is to promote the growth and development of pickleball. This is best achieved when players embrace the values of good sportsmanship and become ambassadors of the sport. It is essential that all players and spectators model good behavior, display respect, show self-control and lead by example.

Every member of Saskatoon Pickleball Inc. pledges:

- I will not engage in unsportsmanlike conduct or encourage others to do so.
- I will not engage in behavior that would endanger the health, safety or well-being of others.
- I will not engage in the use of profanity or derogatory remarks.
- I will treat the facility, equipment and others with respect.
- I will exhibit fairness and honesty in my interactions with others.
- I will abide by the rules of the game and facilities in which they are played.

Unsportsmanlike behavior includes threatening the safety of others, abusive language or behavior, unnecessary turmoil, disrespect of court monitors and coordinators, disrespect of program protocol, refusing to play with less experienced players, disrupting or causing dissention among members and non-members.

Any individual who wishes to bring an incident of unsportsmanlike conduct to the attention of the Board must do so in writing.

When a member of SPI displays unsportsmanlike behavior towards a member or non-member during any club activity the offender will be subject to disciplinary action by the SPI Board of Directors.

The offending individual will be provided with a written statement outlining the infraction(s) and the resulting disciplinary action which may include any of the following:

- First Offense - a written warning;
- Second Offense - suspension of membership privileges for a period of time;
- Third Offense - termination of membership rights and privileges.

In the case of second and third offenses, the offending individual will be given at least two weeks notice of the meeting that the matter is scheduled to be dealt with and given the opportunity to

appear. The member shall be allowed to have one other member present if prior notice has been given to the board.

The decision of the Board is final.