

PICKLEBALL SCORING RULES

10 RULES CHEAT SHEET

SCORE SMART. PLAY FAIR. HAVE FUN!



1. RALLY SCORING

Points can be scored by either team regardless of who is serving. Every rally counts.



2. WIN BY 11, WIN BY 2

Games are typically played to 11 points. You must win by at least 2 points. (e.g., 11-9, 12-10, 13-11)



3. SERVE TO START THE GAME

The game starts with the right team serving first from the right service court (even score).



4. SERVING TEAM SCORES

Only the serving team can score. They continue serving and switch sides until they commit a fault.



5. SWITCH SIDES WHEN YOU SCORE

When the serving team scores a point, the server switches to the opposite service court and serves again.



6. ONE FAULT = SIDE OUT

If the serving team faults, the serve goes to the other team (side out). The new server serves from their right service court.



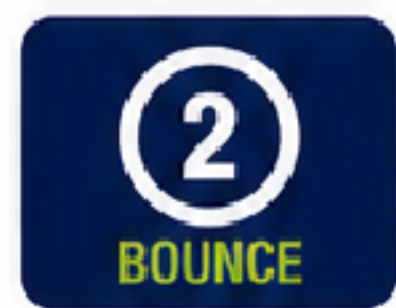
7. SERVE IN ROTATION

In doubles, the first server on a team serves until a fault occurs. Then the second server serves.



8. CALL THE SCORE BEFORE SERVING

Always announce the score out loud before each serve: your score, opponent's score, then server number (1 or 2). Example: "10-8-1."



9. TWO BOUNCES ON EVERY SERVE

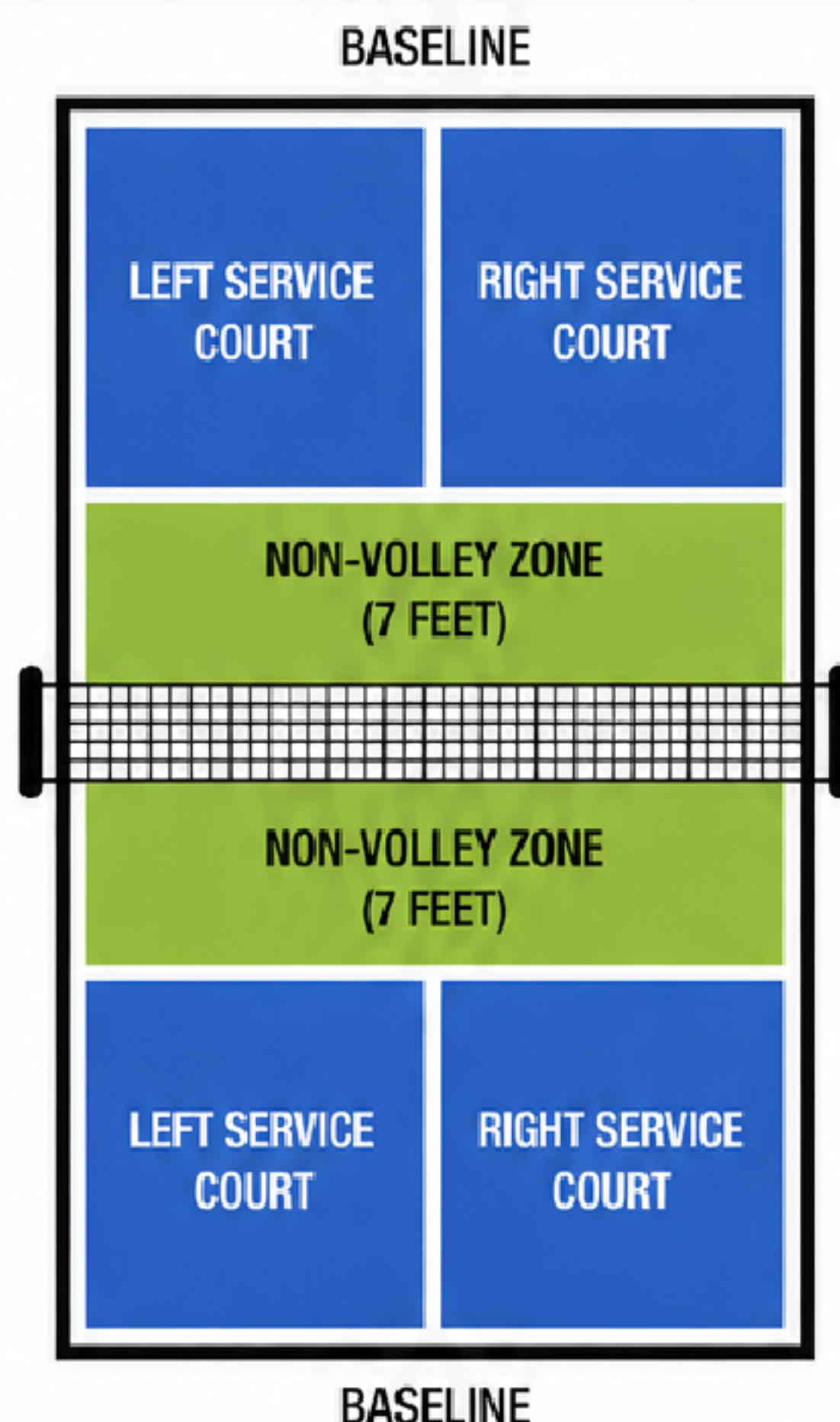
Remember: two bounces must occur on each side before either team can start volleying (dinking).



10. KEEP TRACK & PLAY FAIR

Keep the score accurate and play with integrity. Good sportsmanship makes the game better for everyone!

DOUBLES SERVING & SCORING OVERVIEW



- SERVICE COURTS
- NON-VOLLEY ZONE (KITCHEN)
- NET

KEY SCORING REMINDERS

- Rally scoring – every rally counts.
- Only the serving team can score.
- Server switches sides after scoring a point.
- One fault = side out.
- Call the score before every serve.
- Win by 2 points.

EXAMPLE OF PLAY

SERVING TEAM WINS RALLY

- They score a point.
- Server switches sides.
- Same server serves again.
- Score increases.

Example: 7-5-1 to 8-5-1

SERVING TEAM FAULTS

- Other team gets the serve.
- New server starts from right service court.
- Side out.
- No point awarded.

Example: 8-5-1 to 8-5-1 (other team serving)

