



## **Memorandum of Understanding between Pickleball BC and Affiliate Clubs**

Pickleball British Columbia (PBC) is a provincial organization promoting and supporting development of pickleball in conjunction with the national governing body, Pickleball Canada (PCO). PBC is a member of and supports the vision, mission and goals of PCO.

Affiliating with PBC and PCO gives local clubs a voice in the development of the sport of pickleball locally, provincially and nationally.

### **The role of PBC as it pertains to an Affiliate Club is as follows:**

1. To promote the game of pickleball to be played in a safe and collegial manner within a welcoming, inclusive and diverse social environment.
2. To provide timely and pertinent information to all PBC affiliate clubs.
3. To enrich the pickleball experience by providing an informative PBC website to all affiliate community club members.
4. To work with PCO to develop professional recognition as Provincial and National Sports organizations respectively.
5. To keep local clubs informed of best practices as they relate to pickleball.
6. To develop and/or support teaching and coaching programs, refereeing clinics, skill rating criteria and player rating registries.
7. To provide information and assistance that may be required for civic authorities.

### **Becoming a PBC Affiliate Club requires the following criteria:**

1. Recognize and cooperate with PBC and PCO as the official governing bodies of pickleball in BC and Canada respectively.
2. Establish a local club entity as one of:
  - i. A registered not-for-profit organization per the *Societies Act, SBC 2015, c 18*.
  - ii. A non-registered structured entity with a minimum of three (3) officers.
  - iii. An alternate entity of mutually agreed form and substance.
3. Develop and maintain policies and practices consistent with the promotion of pickleball as an equal opportunity sport.
4. Maintain a membership directory that will be interactive with PBC while maintaining privacy and confidentiality for all concerned.



5. Establish a fee structure to provide for the affiliate clubs' needs plus the combined PBC and PCO fees. The PBC and PCO fees will be submitted as directed through an established system.
6. Maintain compliance with all applicable government regulations.

This agreement shall remain in force until terminated by either party or mutually modified. A minimum of 2 months' notice is required to terminate or modify unless egregious conditions or events occur to warrant immediate termination or modification.

	Pickleball BC	Affiliate	_____
Date:	_____	Date:	_____
Signed:	_____	Signed:	_____
		Entity type	_____
		(i or ii or iii)	