

ERIE PARKS & RECREATION



ADULT RACQUETBALL RULES & INFORMATION 2023

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I. LEAGUE INFORMATION

A. MISSION STATEMENT

The Parks and Recreation Department builds community through the delivery of exceptional parks, open spaces, trails, facilities, programs and services.

B. PLAY HARD – HAVE FUN – RESPECT ONE ANOTHER

C. FACILITIES

League games will be played at the Erie Community Center, located at 450 Powers Street.

D. LEAGUE CONTACT INFORMATION

Erie Parks & Recreation Adult Sports leagues are managed by:

Mollie Gunter, Recreation Coordinator-Sports
303.926.2794
MGunter@erieco.gov

Sports Information Websites
www.erieco.gov/parksandrec
www.quickscores.com/erie

E. WEATHER HOTLINE

- 1) The weather hotline is a recorded message, which will inform teams of the status of that day's games. **A message will be recorded at 4pm Monday – Friday and 8am on Saturdays and Sundays.** Updates are made as necessary. It is every team captain's and player's responsibility to call the weather hotline. In case of inclement weather or poor field conditions after a game has begun, the field supervisor and/or umpire will decide if the field is playable. Every attempt will be made to play; however, safety is the #1 concern of Erie Parks & Recreation.
- 2) **WEATHER HOTLINE NUMBER IS – 303.926.2550 option 4.** This is a voicemail recording. Please listen to the full message as there can be many different fields listed on this recording.
- 3) You may also access game status information at www.quickscores.com/erie at 4pm Monday – Friday and at 8am on Saturday and Sunday.

F. LEAGUE CLASSIFICATIONS

We do our best to appropriately place players into leagues; however, we reserve the right to place players as we see fit and do not guarantee perfectly matched leagues. The league supervisor and Sports Administration team will monitor players and if it is deemed a player(s) are incorrectly classified, may move players up or down accordingly in future leagues. **To help determine the proper classification of your team, please use the following guidelines:**

- 1) **Recreational** – Players have some playing experience.
- 2) **Upper Recreational** – Advanced players

G. PLAYER'S RESPONSIBILITIES

The player is the primary link between themselves and Erie Parks & Recreation. It is each player's responsibility to obtain all information regarding league play. Responsibilities include:

- 1) Registration.
- 2) Read, understand, and explain league rules and facility regulations prior to participation.
- 3) Sign the waiver prior to their first match played.
- 4) Maintain control over themselves, including disputes on the court.
- 5) Regularly check www.quickscores.com/erie for correct scores and schedule updates.

- 6) Communicate with Sports Administration as needed.
- 7) Ensure they're ready to play at the scheduled match time.

H. EMERGENCY PROCEDURES AND FIRST AID

A Guest Service member will respond to on-site emergencies. Participants and spectators must follow staff directions during any emergency. In the event of a medical emergency, participants are asked to report them immediately to a Guest Service Member. Guest Service will have first aid supplies as well as an AED.

I. BLOOD RULE

Any player who is bleeding or who has blood on his/her uniform shall be prohibited from further participation until appropriate treatment can be administered. Players should stop the game and allow treatment.

J. SCHEDULES

- 1) All schedules, standings, and scores can be found at www.quickscores.com/erie.
- 2) League schedules will be ready approximately one week prior to the first match of the season and players will be emailed when they are ready.
- 3) Scheduling requests will not be accepted.
- 4) Games will be played if at all possible and may be played in weather conditions that are not ideal.
- 5) Games are not rescheduled except for inclement weather and/or poor field conditions.

K. CANCELLATIONS AND RESCHEDULING

- 1) If matches are cancelled, makeup game schedules will be within 48 hours after the cancellation. Once rescheduled, the makeup match time will not change.
- 2) Makeup matches will be scheduled as long as the length of the season allows. Should any player not receive the guaranteed number of games due to weather cancellations or other unforeseen events, pro-rated refunds will be given.

L. STANDINGS/TIEBREAKERS

Winning percentage will determine league standings and playoff rankings. If 2 or more players have the same winning percentage at the end of league play, the following tiebreaker methods will be used:

- 1) Forfeits
- 2) Head-To-Head
- 3) Head-To-Head Point Differential
- 4) Average Point Differential
- 5) Average Points Against
- 6) Coin Toss

For more information, visit: http://www.quickscores.com/Orgs/Help_TieBreakers.php#winning-percentage

M. TEAM AWARDS/PLAYOFFS

- 1) All players in each league will play a single-elimination tournament at the end of the season.
- 2) Tournament champions will receive awards at the conclusion of the season.

N. PLAYER ELIGIBILITY

- 1) All participants must be 18 years of age.
- 2) All players must sign the waiver prior to participating. Any player who hasn't is subject to a forfeit.
- 3) Each player must carry a photo ID with them to all games in the event of a roster check.
- 4) Any player playing under an assumed name shall result in ejection of that

O. GENDER EQUITY POLICY

Erie Parks and Recreation prohibits discrimination based on a protected class or characteristic, including gender identity and gender expression. Individuals participating in Town of Erie recreational sports can participate in

the gender in which they identify and are not subject to disclosure of personal information beyond that required of cisgender athletes.

REMEMBER – IT'S JUST A GAME – HAVE FUN!

Contact Mollie Gunter, Recreation Coordinator-Sports, with league compliments, questions, or concerns – mgunter@erieco.gov

BE COURTEOUS! Please notify your partner and Mollie at least 24 hours in advance if you cannot make your scheduled match.

The Game:

-Players: Matches will be played by two players (singles).

-Description: The game is played with a racquet and a racquetball. Eye goggles are required (protective equipment is strongly recommended).

-Game Score: A game is won by the side first scoring 15 points. Points are scored only by the serving side when it serves an ace or wins a rally.

-Match Score: A match consists of the best two out of three games. If the players each win one game, the third game is played to 11. All scores should be reported to Levi via email 24 hours after your match.

- Start of Match: The home team or player shall serve to begin the first, and if necessary third game. The away team or player will serve to begin the second game.

-Replay of Point: Any foreign object entering the court or any other outside interference causes play to stop and the point is replayed.

-Continuity of Play: Play shall be continuous from the first serve of each game until the game is concluded except that during a game each player in singles, or each side in doubles, either serving or receiving, may request a time-out between rallies not to exceed thirty seconds. No more than three time-outs per game shall be allowed each player or each team in doubles. Deliberate delay shall result in a point or side-out against the offender.

-Playoffs: The season will conclude with a single elimination playoff.

-Forfeits: Forfeited matches will be scored 15-0, 15-0 & 11-0. If a player or both players are not ready to start at their scheduled match time, that player (or both) players will be granted a 10-minute grace period. At the end of the 10-minute grace period a forfeit will be declared.

Equipment & Safety:

-Balls: Are provided by the Erie Community Center and available at Guest Service (please return them when you're done).

-Broken Ball: If a ball breaks during play the point is replayed.

-Wet Ball: On the service and during play, the ball and the racquet must be dry.

-Safety: Eye goggles are required (protective equipment is strongly recommended). The safety strap must be around the wrist at all times. The racquet may not be switched from one hand to the other.

-Injuries: Play may be suspended for up to 15 minutes for an injury. If the injured player is unable to continue the match is forfeited. If the match is resumed and must then be stopped again for the same player the match is forfeited.

The league is self-officiated by players and unnecessary roughness and disrespectful behavior is strictly prohibited.