

## NANOOSE BAY PICKLEBALL CLUB

### GROUP STRUCTURE AND PLACEMENT POLICY

April 7, 2026

1. For the first part of NBPC's 2026 season, the tiered play sessions that we offer will continue to be Group Play. However, once the majority of members have acquired a reliable DUPR rating, the club will replace Group Play with Bracket Play. The Club will communicate with the membership as to the progress in getting our members rated and will provide advance notice before switching to Bracket Play. So, to start the season, and just like in previous seasons, our Groups are:
  - Group 1 (G1) (beginner players mostly)
  - Group 2 (G2) (intermediate players mostly)
  - Group 3 (G3) (intermediate/advanced players mostly)
  - Group 4 (G4) (advanced players mostly)
2. For each Group, the following persons will be considered members of the Group:
  - (a) any returning member of the Group;
  - (b) any new member assigned (by the Club) to the Group;
  - (c) in the case of G3 and G4, any member of another Group may request, by email to the Club, reassignment into one of these higher Groups if that member has a DUPR rating, with a Reliability Score of at least 30%, that is at least 3.3 in the case of a move to G3 or at least 3.7 in the case of a move to G4;
  - (d) in the case of G2, any G1 player approved by one of the Club's Skills & Drills coaches may be reassigned into G1 (and the coach will communicate this reassignment to the appropriate club volunteers);
  - (e) any member of a higher Group may ask to be placed in a lower Group.
3. A member of a particular Group cannot play in another Group's sessions except:
  - (i) a member may play in a lower Group's session, at the discretion of one of that Group's Court Coordinators, so long as the player modifies his/her play to suit the level and etiquette of the lower Group; and
  - (ii) a member may play in a higher Group's session, at the discretion of one of that Group's Court Coordinators, in order to make the numbers for the session work better.