

Criteria for a Skill Rating: (Official Club Rating)

2.0 - Must have completed Introductory course given by the Cochrane Pickleball Club, or have at least 3 months of playing experience.

2.5 - Attend a Round Robin and be observed by the Ratings Committee (RC). Must have required skills as indicated in the CPSG (Cochrane Pickleball Skill Guide)

3.0 - Must undergo and be successful at a full, 2 part Skill assessment conducted by the Ratings Committee.

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4.0 - Must undergo and be successful at a full, 2 part Skill assessment conducted by the Ratings Committee.

- **Cochrane Pickleball Club Members may be entitled up to 2 Skill Assessments during the 2023 Season.**
- **A Member is required to wait at least 30 days between each of the Assessments**
- **There will be no Skill Assessments conducted after the Members Tournament.**

Criteria for DUPR Rating

DUPR Rating- Rating established through a DUPR account meeting the DUPR criteria
This Rating will be separate and calculated on the DUPR Ratings site. Players must have the required number of games in order to be considered a valid Rating.

- *Any player at 3.5 or 4.0 that was given a Club Rating based on DUPR prior to May 12, 2023 will be grandfathered and considered to be Club Rated.*
- *However, if your DUPR rating goes down, you will have to apply for a Skill Rating to hold your position at that level.*
- *Going forward, a DUPR Rating will not qualify as a Club Rating at 3.5 or 4.0.*

If you rely on a DUPR rating, it may fluctuate up or down. These Ratings will be adjusted once a month and players will be moved according to their current DUPR rating.

Round Robin Requirements

At 3.5 and 4.0+, all eligible players must have a current, recognized Cochrane Pickleball Club Skill Rating at the specified level, to be invited and play in all Skill Rated Round Robins.

At 3.0 and below, all Round Robins a, may be played as Skill Rated and/or DUPR games. For example, if 3 courts are scheduled and 4 or more players wish to play DUPR games to establish

or improve their rating, those players could use one court and the others could use the other two courts. The players playing "DUPR" games must all agree to have scores submitted before beginning play. Those not playing "DUPR" games are not obligated to record their scores. Round Robin captains shall offer both types of play and shall not force one style of play.

All RR Captains will be advised of rules and Guidelines governing Round Robin play and shall follow the policies.

- Captains should be updated weekly with eligibility lists.
- RR Captains shall give the option to players to play in either Skill or DUPR games.
- At level 3.0 and below only, a DUPR rating will be considered eligible to participate in Rated Round Robins.
- It is suggested that Round Robin Captains fill their events by adding players in this order:
 - Adding up to 2 players from:
 - Higher level player any gender
 - the same level opposite gender (eg: 3.5 Women can invite 3.5 Male)
 - The next lower level male or female.

This policy was created so as to maintain the integrity of the group, and to ensure that all players will have a good experience.

In making your decisions, please keep the interest of your group in mind.

Regarding Player Development (Clinics):

Players must have either:

- 1) the required Skill Level
- 2) or a recognized DUPR Rating, as set out by the DUPR requirements (3.0 and below only)

Tournament Play by Members

(This will be determined with the assistance of the Ratings Committee)

If a Club Player enters a Sanctioned Tournament below their current Club Skill Level, they may be re-assessed to that level unless circumstances dictate otherwise.

This is entirely at the discretion of the Club's Rating Director.

We do not encourage "sandbagging" as it takes opportunities away from the players truly playing at that level.