

Pickleball Canada Organization Constitution

ARTICLE 1 – NAME

1.1 The name of the organization shall be “PICKLEBALL CANADA ORGANIZATION” (“L’ORGANISME de PICKLEBALL CANADA”), and herein the Constitution and Bylaws referred to as the “Corporation”. The Corporation is also known by its trade names “PICKLEBALL CANADA” and “PCO”.

ARTICLE 2 – JURISDICTION

2.1 The Corporation recognizes all sports and claims jurisdiction over and recognizes its responsibilities as the governing body of pickleball covering all aspects of the sport within Canada as played by members of this Corporation and other participants in Canada or in such other places as may be designated by the Corporation.

2.2 The Corporation is recognized as the governing body of pickleball in Canada.

ARTICLE 3 – AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

3.1 The purpose of the Corporation is to carry on in more than one province/territory of Canada, without pecuniary gain for its members, the following objectives:

- a) Foster, develop, promote and regulate the playing of pickleball.
- b) Provide the sport of pickleball with proper safeguards in accordance with the spirit of true sportsmanship.
- c) Encourage all eligible potential members and participants to affiliate with the Corporation.
- d) Establish and maintain by allied membership, alliances with Corporations, associations and clubs devoted wholly or partially to the promotion of the sport of pickleball.
- e) Establish a set of uniform rules for the playing of pickleball throughout Canada. The rules as set by the International Federation of Pickleball (IFP) shall be the established rules as amended by the Corporation.
- f) Initiate, promote and regulate Canadian Championships.
- g) Cooperate with the International Federation of Pickleball (IFP) (or whatever international pickleball organization so recognized at the Annual General Meeting) in the promotion of international play and international standards for pickleball.
- h) Represent Canada on pickleball councils or Corporations of other countries where deemed practical and necessary.
- i) Assist in the establishment of governing pickleball bodies in provinces/ territories if requested.
- j) Do all such things as may be deemed necessary for the proper promotion and jurisdiction of pickleball throughout Canada.

3.2 The Corporation shall be carried on without the purpose of gain for its members and any profits or other attribution to the Corporation shall be used in promoting its objectives. The Corporation will have a volunteer leadership structure that is democratically elected by its membership.