

## **AN ORDINANCE REGARDING THE RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE BROOKLAWN PICKLEBALL COURT**

Adoption or amendment of rules and regulations for Brooklawn Pickleball Court located at the Jimmy Cerrone Complex on Timber Boulevard.

The Brooklawn Waterfront Development Committee of Brooklawn may, from time to time, make, adopt, amend and repeal, by resolution, rules and regulations for the operation and use of the basketball courts, ball fields, picnic areas, parks and playgrounds, pickleball courts and other public places of Brooklawn. Such resolution adopting said rules and regulations shall be on file in the office of the Clerk of Brooklawn.

### **1. PICKLEBALL:**

#### **HOURS OF OPERATION**

- Posted playing hours are to be from 8:00 AM - 8:00 PM.
- Each Saturday and Sunday from 8 AM - 12 PM, the court is open to Brooklawn Residents ONLY. Players may be asked to provide valid driver's license and or proof of address during this time. Nonresidents will be removed from court, unless no residents want to play during this time block.
- Residents may welcome and/or invite nonresidents to play during this time, as long as a Brooklawn Resident actively participates.
- Anyone found violating opening and or closing time will not be permitted to return.
- The Pickleball court will be locked each night after 8 PM and reopened at 8 AM the next morning.

#### **Playing Time**

- Pickleball courts shall be used on a first-come, first-served basis. No reservations will be taken, *unless an online reservation system is developed by the borough*, and a court must be occupied by a minimum of two (2) players. Single players are not permitted to "hold" a court until their partner arrives.
- Each match will be limited to 11 points.
- Players may continue if no others are waiting. When others are waiting, single and doubles play is limited to one half hour beginning at the time the court was occupied. Once finished playing, players will be added to the end of the current waiting list if they wish to play again.
- The Borough of Brooklawn reserves the right to close the courts at any given time. The Borough also has the right to reserve days and or blocks of time for sponsored tournaments or events.

#### **Rules and Regulations**

- Team practices, league competitions, tournament play, events, privately instructed and/or group lessons, is strictly prohibited unless sponsored by the Borough of Brooklawn or permitted by the municipality. Any violators, instructors and/or students who violate this policy will be asked to end the session immediately and are subject to revocation of court privileges.
- Borough and/or Board of Education-sponsored programs take precedence over all other usage of the pickleball courts. As such, courts are subject to closure to the public at any time if being used for a town-sponsored event.
- All pickleball players are encouraged to use muted pickleballs and approved “Green Zone” paddles at all times. Only tennis shoes or sneakers with non-marking soles may be worn on the courts.
- No food, gum, or beverages are permitted on the courts with the exception of bottled water. Sports drinks may stain the court surface if spilled and are prohibited.
- Courts are to be used for pickleball only; no other use is permitted. No bicycling, roller-skating, roller blading, skateboarding, scooters, electric vehicles, push-cars or bicycle riding allowed. Pets are not permitted in the park nor on the courts. Outside equipment is not permitted on the courts. This may include but is not limited to: tables, chairs, and benches.
- The shoveling of snow off of the courts is prohibited as it may cause damage to the court surface.
- Smoking, vaping, tobacco products, and alcoholic beverages are prohibited within the park.
- The court is permitted for **Pickleball ONLY**. No basketball, tennis, hockey, soccer, baseball, wiffleball, or any other sports are allowed.
- Music is not permitted on the premises.
- Shirts and proper attire must be worn at all times. Only tennis shoes or sneakers are permitted on the court. Players without a shirt is subject to be removed from the premises.
- No smashing of paddle into the court, fencing, or any other property of the Borough. Players will be legally held accountable for any damage to courts, including fines and or monetary restitution.
- Players are not permitted to sit on netting.
- Profanity, bullying, abusive behavior or spitting.
- Players must use door for access and egress purposes. Climbing of fencing could result in a fine.
- Children ages 12 and under are not permitted to use the court without an adult present.

*Introduced: April 21, 2025*

*Adopted: May 19, 2025*

## **BOROUGH OF BROOKLAWN**

**BY: \_\_\_\_\_**  
**JERRY D. GRANSTROM, MAYOR**

**ATTEST:**

**BY:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**RYAN GILES, BOROUGH CLERK**

The foregoing ordinance was introduced by Mayor and Council at a meeting held on April 21, 2025. This Ordinance will be considered for adoption on final reading and public hearing to be held on May 19, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Meeting Room, Brooklawn Municipal Building, 301 Christiana Street, Brooklawn, New Jersey.

.A copy of this Ordinance is available at no charge to the general public between the hours of 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM, Monday through Thursday (Legal Holidays excluded), at the Office of the Borough Clerk, Brooklawn Borough Hall, 301 Christiana Street, Brooklawn, New Jersey.