

THE RULES OF PADEL

SCORING

- Same scoring as tennis.

SERVE

- Stand behind the service line and serve diagonally. (The returner may stand wherever they like.) Two serves as in tennis.
- The server must first bounce the ball, then hit it below waist level. Server must keep at least one foot on the ground when hitting the serve and feet may not touch/cross the service line while serving.
- The ball must bounce in the service box diagonally opposite before being hit by the returner.
- If it bounces in the box and hits the wire mesh fencing before crossing the service line (on the returner's side), it's a fault.
- If the ball hits the net and bounces in the box it's a let – unless it touches the wire mesh fencing before the 2nd bounce.

PLAY

- Ball must first bounce on the ground on the opponent's side before hitting a wall.
- Players may volley instead of letting it bounce (except on the service return).
- Players may hit the ball after it has bounced on mesh or glass (on their side) to send it back over the net.
- Players may hit the ball against glass (side or back wall) on their side in order to return the ball (but not against mesh).
- As in tennis, the ball may bounce only once on your side, and it may be hit only once.