

## **SCG News - Pickleball Paddle Approved/Banned List**

**Sun City Grand®**

**Community Association Management**

Dear Sun City Grand Community Association Members,

In an effort to reduce the recreational noise caused by the game of Pickleball, the Sun City Grand Board of Directors contracted with a sound study company to try and determine which paddles were creating sound at a decibel that some residents living in the area found unacceptable. While we acknowledge that most recreational sports create noise, we also acknowledge that changes in the manufacturing of paddles used in the game of Pickleball have also changed the noise created by the game, compared to several years ago.

In addition to the sound study performed by an independent company, the Sun City Grand Pickleball Club provided assistance by testing the most commonly used paddles, allowing us to create a chart so those playing the game or thinking of playing the game would know what paddles are allowed on Sun City Grand Pickleball Courts. One thing pointed out and also observed is that a simple "ear" test (listening to play) will also alert those monitoring the use when a player is using a paddle that is much louder than the approved paddles.

Below is a chart sorted into Green and Red Zones:

**Green Zone** - Those paddles fall within acceptable noise levels and are approved for use on the Sun City Grand Pickleball Courts. If you are looking to buy a new paddle, you would be safe to choose a paddle from this zone.

**Green Zone paddles are the only paddles approved for use on SCG PB Courts.**

**Red Zone** - These paddles are not allowed on the courts in Sun City Grand under any circumstances.

**Sincerely,  
SCG Board of Directors**

# Grand Pickleball Club Paddle Sound Study

**Sort by Manufacturer - July 18, 2017**

Brand	Model	Usage
Aero Paddles	Swift	
Aero Paddles	Swift 2.0	
Athlete Ratings	Play Hard	
Darin's Pickleball Paddle	Pro Shop	
Dink Sports	Black and Blue	
Eastport Pickleball	Champion	
Engage Pickleball	Encore	
Engage Pickleball	Encore Pro	
Engage Pickleball	Guardian	
Engage Pickleball	Pulse	
Engage Pickleball	Spartan	
Engage Pickleball	Tear Drop	
Engage Pickleball	Ultimate	
Engage Pickleball	Ultimate	
Engage Pickleball	Ultra	
Gamma	Proton	
Laser Sport Products	1402 (Wood)	
Laser Sport Products	1403 (Wood)	
Laser Sport Products	1404 (Wood)	
Manta	Cylon	
Manta	Extreme	
Manta	Matrix	
Manta	Tornado F5 Edgeless (GGG) Poly Core	
Onix Sports	Attitude	
Onix Sports	Evoke Graphite	
Onix Sports	Evoke Oval	
Onix Sports	Evoke Pro	
Onix Sports	Evoke Square	
Onix Sports	Graphite Phantom Widebody	
Onix Sports	Graphite Zen	
Onix Sports	React	
Onix Sports	Signature	
Onix Sports	Summit	
Onix Sports	Voyager	
Onix Sports	Wood	
Onix Sports/S-Type	Core 2 Graphite	
Onix Sports/S-Type	Slammer Graphite	
Onix Sports/S-Type	Z5 Widebody	
PaddleBoardZ	Tracker	
Paddletek	Bantam EX-L	
Paddletek	Element	
Paddletek	Phoenix Pro	
Paddletek	Power Pro Play	

**Green Zone**  
**Approved for use in**  
**Sun City Grand.**  
**ONLY BUY PADDLES**  
**LISTED IN THE GREEN**  
**ZONE.**  
**Paddles not on this list**  
**may not be used on**  
**SCG Pickleball courts.**

Paddletek	Stratus
Paddletek	Sweet Spot
Paddletek	Tempest
Paddletek	Ultra Sweet Spot
Paddletek	Ultra Warp 9
Pickle-Ball Inc.	Attack (Graphite - Aluminum)
Pickle-Ball Inc.	Attack 2.0
Pickle-Ball Inc.	Elite (Graphite - Aluminum)
Pickle-Ball Inc.	Elite Finesse
Pickle-Ball Inc.	Elite Power
Pickle-Ball Inc.	Elite Skill
Pickle-Ball Inc.	Venom
Pickleball Now	Classic Lite (edgeless, discontinued)
Pickleball Now	Classic Metalite
Pickleball Now	Club (wood)
Pickleball Now	Force Classic
Pickleball Now	PN2000
Pickleball Now	The Edge
Pickleball Now	The Force Metalite
Pickleball Now	Whomper
Pickleball Now	XL Lite
PicklePaddles Plus	Hyper Wide
PicklePaddles Plus	Nexus Alloy
PicklePro	Barricade
POP	Aluminum AMHC
POP	ATHC Aluminum Tear Drop Honeycomb
POP	AXLHC
Pro-Lite Sports	Apex Power
Pro-Lite Sports	Crush Power Spin
Pro-Lite Sports	Enforcer Graphite
Pro-Lite Sports	Groove
Pro-Lite Sports	Magnum XP
Pro-Lite Sports	Power
Pro-Lite Sports	Rebel Power Spin
Pro-Lite Sports	Rocket XL
Pro-Lite Sports	Rockstar
Pro-Lite Sports	Supernova Black Diamond Series Pro
Pro-Lite Sports	Titan
Selkirk Sport	200PXL
Selkirk Sport	300AXL
Selkirk Sport	EPIC 20PXL Composite
Selkirk Sport	Epic 30PXL Graphite
Selkirk Sport	Maxima 21P MXO
Selkirk Sport	Neo
Selkirk Sport	Omni
Selkirk Sport	Pro S1C
Selkirk Sport	Pro S1C+

Selkirk Sport	Pro S1G	
Selkirk Sport	Pro S1G+	
TOPP	XJ-900	
Wilson	Champ	
Wilson	Surge	
ZZT	Carbon Fiber Weave	
ZZT	Contour Thin (lite)	
ZZT	EVO Classic-Q	
ZZT	EVO II	
ZZT	EVO II Vinyl Cover	
ZZT	Fuzion	
ZZT	Fuzion Pro	
ZZT	Graphic	
ZZT	Original	
ZZT	Z	

# Grand Pickleball Club Paddle Sound Study

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Brand	Model	Usage
Coach Mo	Sweet Spot Lite	<p><b>Red Zone</b>  <b>Paddles banned for use</b>  <b>in Sun City Grand.</b>  <b><u>DO NOT BUY THESE</u></b>  <b><u>PADDLES.</u></b></p>
Coach Mo	Sweet Spot	
Engage Pickleball	Encore GP	
Engage Pickleball	Encore Max	
Engage Pickleball	Encore XL	
Engage Pickleball	Raven Wide Body	
Gamma	Atomic	
Gamma	Fusion	
Gamma	Ion	
Gamma	Micron	
Gamma	Voltage	
Manta	Pro-Team	
Manta	Stingray	
Manta	Tornado F5 & Manta Ray Nomex Core	
Onix Sports	Phantom Widebody	
Onix Sports/S-Type	Core 2 Composite	
Onix Sports/S-Type	Storm	
Onix Sports/S-Type	Storm Graphite	
Onix Sports/S-Type	Stryker Graphite	
Onix Sports/S-Type	Z5 Widebody Graphite	
Paddletek	Warp 9	
Pickleball Depot	Victory CF3	
Pickle-Ball Inc.	Champion (Fiberglass-Aluminum)	
Pickle-Ball Inc.	Champion (Graphite-Nomex)	
Pickle-Ball Inc.	Champion Aluminum	
Pickle-Ball Inc.	Champion Graphite	
Pickle-Ball Inc.	Elite (Graphite - New Paper Core)	
Pickle-Ball Inc.	Legacy	
Pickle-Ball Inc.	Revolution (Graphite - Nomex)	
Pickle-Ball Inc.	Tracer	
Pickle-Ball Inc.	Vortex 2.0	
Pickleball Now	Classic Lite II (2013 model with edge guard)	
Pickleball Now	Competition	
Pickleball Now	XL Carbon	
Pickleball Now	XL Lite	
PickleballPaddlesPlus	Hyper Lite	
PicklePaddles Plus	Nexus Carbon	
PicklePro	Classic	
POP	4.0 Touch	
POP	5.0 Touch	
POP	7.5 Dual Touch	
POP	E-glass /HC	
POP	Graphite Tear Honeycomb	

Pro-Lite Sports	Aero-D Graphite	
Pro-Lite Sports	Blaster 2 Alloy	
Pro-Lite Sports	Classic	
Pro-Lite Sports	Graphite Blaster	
Pro-Lite Sports	Impact	
Pro-Lite Sports	Magnum Composite	
Pro-Lite Sports	Magnum Graphite (Used)	
Selkirk Sport	200AL	
Selkirk Sport	200AXL	
Viking	Re-Ignite	
Viking	Re-Ignite Lite	
Viking	Synergy	
WhipperSnapper	Light	
WhipperSnapper	Medium Weight (2 weeks old)	
WhipperSnapper	Medium Weight (Used - Detuned)	

# SCG Paddle Rule Questions and Answers

**Q & A** (Small print disclosure: These are club interpretations of the rule and are subject to clarification if CAM disagrees)

Q: When does this rule start?

A: This rule is effective immediately.

Q: Where is the Paddle Approved/Banned list posted?

A: The list is posted on our website at <http://grandpickleball.org/paddlerule.pdf> and on the bulletin board at the courts. Monitors should refer inquiries to the bulletin board or our website.

Q: Where can I buy approved paddles?

A: Go to our website at <http://grandpickleball.org/pickleball-links-vendors/> for a list of vendors.

Q: My paddle is not on the list, can I use it?

A: No.

Q: What if I ignore this rule and continue to play with any paddle I choose during club events?

A: If you ignore the rule during club events, you will be breaking a Community rule that our club must enforce under the Charter Club Rules and Regulations. That could lead to suspension of club play for a period of time and continued use could lead to a suspension of all resident privileges by CAM.

Q: What if I ignore this rule and continue to play with any paddle I choose during non club events?

A: The Association will monitor the courts for non compliance, either by personally visiting the courts or by neighborhood complaints. Violators will be asked to stop using banned or noisy paddles. Failure to comply could lead to suspension of all resident privileges by CAM.

Observations at the courts have shown that most of you are complying with the rules. It is obvious and very easy to pick out someone who is using a banned paddle.

We have received compliments from CAM for our clubs willingness to reduce noise from the courts. Thank you to everyone that has complied. We have an outstanding club.

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