

Villages Pickleball Club

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I'm hoping by the time this prints we will be on the courts playing again. Regardless, it is a good time to brush up on pickleball rules.

One rule that I see violated occasionally is the **10-Second Rule** (Rule 4.E. of the 2020 Official Rulebook for USA Pickleball):

4.E.1. The service motion must not start until the score has been called in its entirety. You can not call the score as you serve, do not start the service motion until the entire score has been called.

4.E.2. If the server exceeds 10 seconds to serve, a fault will be declared. Once you call the score you are expected to serve within 10 seconds.

Of course, we play social games here and there is often (very often!) discussion regarding the correct score. This is why it is important to call the score before serving. We don't time the 10 seconds but the point being made here is to call and verify the score before play begins. Once the score is called all players should be ready to start play.

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone back on the courts!