Players:
3-5 games that will comprise the regular season schedule. Individuals that have completed their regular season schedule will be invited to play in the playoffs.

It is up to the participants to schedule their own season games by the designated deadline [aka play-by-date], one is assigned for each match. Contact information and match assignments will be e-mailed to all participating members. It will also be available in the Recreation Office and posted on the Intramural website (phone numbers will not appear on our website).

Each participant must bring a score sheet and a writing utensil with them to the court. Score sheets can be downloaded off the intramural website or picked up from the Recreation Office. The winner must submit a completed score sheet to the office by midnight of the match deadline. If the office is closed, they can be left in the Recreation Drop Box. Failure to communicate with each other and to play the assigned match will result in a loss and forfeit for both parties. If you are having trouble contacting your opponent it is your responsibility to contact the Recreation Director at least two days prior to the deadline.

*Every player must wear non-marking athletic sneakers/shoes. Goggles, racquets, and balls can be borrowed at the issued desk. Eye protection is mandatory.*

Note: Undergraduate and graduate students, faculty and staff are eligible to participate.

Length of Game:
Best-of-three (3) games to win the match. Games play to 9 points. If the score reaches 8-8, then the receiver of the serve decides if that game will be played to 9 or 10 points.

Rules:
Points can only be won by the server.
The ball may be volleyed (taken directly out of the air) or taken on the first bounce
The ball is out if it hits on or above the red line going along the top of the front and side walls or if it clears the back wall.
The ball is down if it hits on or below the tin (bottom red line running across the front wall)
The player who hits the ball out or down loses that rally.

Serving:
The server must have one foot wholly in the service box when serving the ball.
The serve must go above the middle red line on the front wall (the service line).
The ball must land in the opposite back half of the court.
There is only one serve (no faults).
The returner may volley the serve.

On the server change, the new server can decided to serve from either side. Service sides must alternate in the same service run.

Golden Rule: Safety
The most dangerous situations are:
1. When the striker (person playing the ball) is about to play the ball and their opponent is trapped between the ball and the front wall
2. When the striker is about to play the ball and their opponent gets in the way of the swing

Under no circumstances should you, as the striker, attempt to hit the ball. Replay the point (let).

If the opponent is hit with ball, the following call will be made:
Stroke (point awarded to striker) – if the ball was going directly to the front wall (striker’s right of access to the front wall violated) or ball was going to be a winning shot
Let (replay point) – if ball was going to the side wall, but would have made it to the front wall
No Let (point awarded to the opponent) – if ball would not have made it to the front wall
Participants must officiate their own matches. If there’s a discrepancy on a call, that serve/point shall be replayed. **Injury:** If an in-game injury causes a team to terminate play, then that team receives a loss by forfeit unless agreed to resume play by all parties at a later date. This must be reported to the recreation director (by the original deadline) and the game must be completed and submitted by the following deadline. No scores can be submitted after the last regular season deadline. **IF AN INJURY REQUIRES MEDICAL ATTENTION CALL PUBLIC SAFETY IMMEDIATELY.** 973.408.4444. **NOTE:** Rules are subject to change without notice at the discretion of the Intramural Department.