FIND YOUR LEVEL - PICKLEBALL

Brand New Player - 2.0	This player is just starting to play pickleball
Novice - 2.5	 I know where to stand at the beginning of each point I usually get my serves "in" I usually let the return of serve bounce I am getting the hand of keeping score I can often keep the ball in play I know what a dink shot is
Intermediate (Low) - 3.0	 I understand the basic rules I am working on getting my serves and return of serves deeper I am working on getting my dinks shallower/lower I am capable of hitting a few dinks in a row I can usually hit backhand shots when I need to I am trying to add more power or softness to my game
Intermediate (High) - 3.5	 I know most of the rules (including, net rules, net post issues, NVZ, etc.) My serves & returns are almost always deep I sometimes try to hit a 3rd shot drop shot I try to be strategic about how and where I hit the ball I have a wide variety of shots in my arsenal I actively work with my partner to win the point
Advanced - 4.0	 I can often anticipate my opponents' shots I often finish the point when my opponent gives me an opening I am usually consistent with drop shots and dink shots I almost always play at the no-volley line With a good partner I can cover almost any shot I try to be patient & wait for the opening
Expert - 4.5-5.0	 I can consistently convert a hard shot to a soft shot I am almost always patient & wait for the opening I rarely make unforced errors I consistently use power & finesse to my advantage I can easily sustain a rally of 40 or more shots I have competed and/or won in tournaments at the 4.5 level or higher



FIND YOUR LEVEL - TENNIS

Brand New Player - 1.0	This player is just starting to play tennis
Beginner (Low) - 1.5	 This player has limited playing experience apart from the ball being fed by a coach Still focused on getting the ball into play Working on basic stroke production and any inconsistent bounce causes difficulty
Beginner (Mid) - 2.0	 This player has obvious stroke weaknesses but is familiar with basic positions They know how to all ground strokes off the coach's feed Lacks court experience in terms of movement adjustment and ball bounce
Beginner (Advanced) - 2.5	 This player is learning to judge where the ball is going although court coverage is weak Can sustain a slow rally with other players of similar level Can sustain slightly faster rally with a coach
Intermediate (Low) - 3.0	 This player is consistent when hitting medium pace shots Not yet comfortable with all strokes (volley, overhead, serve) Lacks control when trying for direction, depth, or power
Intermediate (Mid) - 3.5	 This player has improved and dependable strokes with direction of moderate paced shots but lacks depth and variety Has the ability to attack the net and anticipate their opponents' shots Starting to show teamwork and understand doubles
Intermediate (Advanced) - 4.0	 This player has dependable strokes, and has directional control, on both forehand and backhand side on moderate shots Has the ability to use lobs, overheads, approach shots, and volleys with success Has the ability to force errors from their opponents, and rallies are often lost due to player impatience Shows strong teamwork and doubles strategy



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FIND YOUR LEVEL - TENNIS

Advanced (Low) - 4.5	 This player, in addition to directional and depth control, has begun to develop varying degree of spin and power First serve has power, spin, and accuracy. Second serve is accurate and dependable and able to rush the net on either serve Can handle considerable pace and has strong footwork. They can vary their game based on opponents
Advanced (Mid) - 5.0	 This player shows strong anticipation and frequently has an outstanding shot around which a game may be structured This player can consistently hit winners or force errors off short balls, and can put away volleys and overheads Has the ability to execute half volleys, drop shots, and top spin lobs In addition to power and placement, this player can use heavy spin on their second serve
Advanced (Pro) - 5.5	 This player uses power and/or consistency as a major weapon This player can vary strategies and styles of play in difficult situations and hits dependable shots when under pressure
Professional - 6.0+	Played NCAA Tennis, ITF or similar

