

Rally Scoring Doubles

In each team, one of the players becomes a 'starting server' (indicated by the yellow starting server band in the diagram below). This means that similarly to a side-out scoring:
 "When the team's score is even (0, 2, 4 ...), the team's starting server's correct position is at the right/even serving area. When the team's score is odd (1, 3, 5...), the starting server's correct position is at the left/odd court." (see rule 4.B.6.b, 2025 Rulebook).

After each rally, except for the game point, a point is awarded. Game point is scored only when serving (see rules 4.F.1, 4.G.1, 2025 Rulebook).

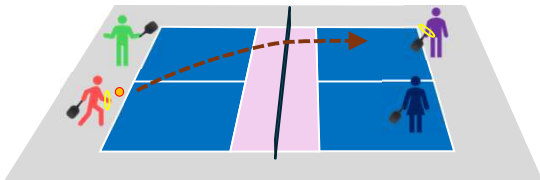
After "(...) each side out, service begins with the player correctly positioned on the right/even side of the court according to the team's score." Rule 4.B.6.c, 2025 Rulebook.

Each time the serving team wins a rally, the server switches to the other side of the court to serve and start the next rally (see rule 4.B.6.d, 2025 Rulebook).

Example Rally Breakdown:

Team A Score: 0-0 Team B

Rally 1

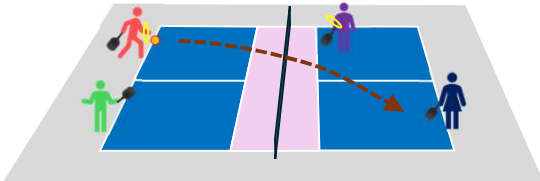


The game begins with the serve from the even (right) side of the court. The starting server on Team A serves.

- The score is 0-0. Team A is serving.
- The rally is played, and **Team A wins** the rally.

Score: 1-0

Rally 2

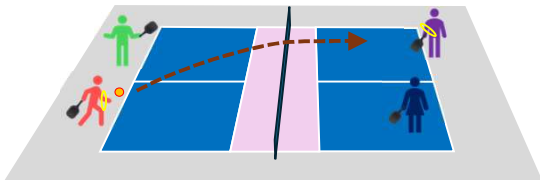


The new score is 1-0, with Team A still serving.

- The server moves to the odd (left) side of the court and serves from there.
- The rally is played, and **Team A wins** again.

Score: 2-0

Rally 3

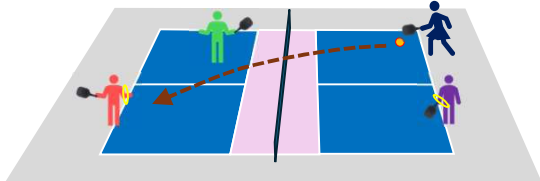


The score is now 2-0, and Team A continues to serve.

- The server moves to the even (right) side of the court and serves from there.
- The rally is played, but this time **Team B (the receiving team) wins** the rally.
- Side out occurs, Point is awarded to Team B

Score: 1-2

Rally 4

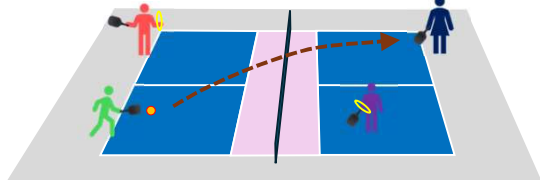


The score is now 1-2, with Team B serving.

- The first serve after a side-out needs to occur from the even (right) side of the court.
- Team B's score is 1 (odd), therefore the partner of the starting server moves to the right side of the court and serves from there.
- The rally is played, and **Team A (the receiving team) wins** the rally.
- Side out occurs, Point is awarded to Team A

Score: 3-1

Rally 5



The new score is 3-1, with Team A serving again.

- The first serve after a side-out needs to occur from the even (right) side of the court.
- Team A's score is 3 (odd), therefore the partner of the starting server moves to the right side of the court and serves from there.
- The rally is played, and **Team A wins**.

Score: 4-1

Rally 6 ...

And so on...

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