Gonzaga University Intramural Department
Men’s, Women’s and Coed Racquetball Tournament Rules

Every player must present a GU ID card before each contest to be eligible to participate. No exceptions.

Game time is forfeit time. No “5-minute grace period” has to be given or guaranteed.

Intramural policies, procedures, eligibility requirements and specific rule modifications will take precedent. The officials have the power to make decisions on any matters or questions not specifically covered in the rules.

Players may only play on ONE gender and ONE coed team.

Serving rules:
1. During the first two games, the opponents will alternate serving first.
2. When serving, the server must be in the service zone. Service faults occur when: a) the ball hits the front wall and lands in front of the long line (back court boundary); b) the ball hits three or more walls, or if c) the ball hits the ceiling or back wall without landing in the returning zone first. One foot fault is allowed. The serve is lost if a second foot fault occurs.
3. Points are awarded only when serving.
4. On a serve, the ball can not be returned on the fly in front of the dotted line which is behind the service area.
5. On the serve, if the ball hits the floor or one of the side walls before hitting the front wall, it is an automatic forfeit of serve.
6. If the match goes to a third game, the player totaling the greater number of points in the first 2 games serves first.

General rules:
1. In returning the ball (excluding a serve), it is legal to hit it on the fly or one bounce, but after it is hit, it can not hit the floor before it hits the front wall. The ball can, however, hit any combination of other walls.
2. You must give your opponent a clear, unobstructed view of the ball. Interference may be called and the serve repeated if a clear path is not present.
4. Protective eye wear is required.
5. Matches will be determined by winning the best 2 out of 3 games up to 15 points. You must win by 2 points. The matches are limited to forty-five (45) minutes in length.

Blood Rule
Any player who is bleeding must be substituted for until the bleeding stops. An intramural supervisor or game official has the authority to remove the player from the game. If by removing the player who is bleeding, the team falls below the minimum number necessary to play (5), the following will apply: The game clock will stop and a maximum of five (5) minutes will be allowed for the player to stop the bleeding. Either an intramural staff member or game official must approve the player to re-enter. If the bleeding is not stopped within the allotted five (5) minutes the team will forfeit the game. THE TIME ALLOWANCE IS ONLY FOR PLAYERS WHO ARE BLEEDING AND THE TEAM CANNOT CONTINUE TO PLAY WITHOUT THEM.

Player/Team Conduct
The officiating will be done by an official who is in absolute control of the game. Teams are responsible for keeping their spectators under control. Misconduct of spectators, players or coaches can result in ejection or forfeiture of the game. Spectators must also remain in the designated area. The officials shall have the power to make decisions on any matters or questions not specifically covered in the rules. Only a protest of player eligibility or rules interpretation will be accepted. Official's judgment is not protestable.

Individual and team sportsmanship is of the utmost importance to the Intramural program and all of its participants’. Certain behaviors will not be tolerated before, during, or after intramural activities (examples, but not limited too):

a) Actions meant to cause harm to any person.
b) Verbally abusive or threatening language towards players, spectators, or officials.
c) Lack of control by individuals or the team.

The following includes behavioral expectations of all participants, "coaches", captains, spectators, fans, and guests. Further information regarding the topics below can be found in the Student Handbook.

**Intramural Alcohol and Drug Policy:**
The Intramural Department reserves the right to confiscate, retain and dispose of/destroy any and all alcohol related paraphernalia regardless of value or ownership. Excessive drinking/intoxication at any Intramural event/location are not acceptable and will not be taken as an excuse for inappropriate behavior. At any time, the Intramural Department may remove any individual from an event/location that has alcohol, is intoxicated, smells of alcohol, may possibly harm themselves or others, or any individual that is displaying inappropriate behavior (this includes but is not limited to: disruptive and/or out of control behavior). Security will be contacted in events pertaining to any of the above.

The illegal use of drugs at Gonzaga University is not tolerated. The unlawful manufacturing, possessing, having under control, selling, transmitting, using, or being party thereto of any dangerous drug, controlled substance, or drug paraphernalia on University premises or at University sponsored activities, including Intramural events/locations, is prohibited. Any individual involved or suspected of being involved of any of the following will be removed and security will be contacted.

**Bystander Conduct:**
Students are expected to refrain from being in the presence of others who are violating University/Intramural policies and rules. Students will be held accountable for their actions even if they are not participating in prohibited conduct. This includes but is not limited to: students who are in the presence of others using alcohol or drugs in violation of University/Intramural policy, even if they are not using alcohol or drugs themselves.

**Intramural Harassment and Bias Policy:**
Gonzaga recognizes the inherent dignity of all individuals and promotes respect for all people in its activities and programs and in the relationships it shares with students, faculty and staff. The University expects all community members to promote dignity and respect in their daily interactions with each other. The Intramural Department reserves the right to remove any individual in question of violating the harassment and bias policy before, during, or after any intramural sport/event.

Consistent with its Statement on Non-Discrimination and its Mission Statement and values, the University is committed to providing a positive learning and working environment and therefore will not tolerate any form of harassment or bias based on race, sex, gender, religion, national origin, ethnicity, age, sexual orientation, disability or any other harassment or bias prohibited by federal or state laws. This includes, but is not limited to, slurs, comments, rumors, jokes, innuendoes, unwelcome compliments or touching, pranks, and other verbal or physical conduct.

Any individual involved or suspected of being involved in any of the previously mentioned will be removed from the premises, Campus Security will be contacted and Student Life will be made aware of the incident.

**Please refer to Team Information at:**
http://www.gonzaga.edu/Athletics/Intramurals/Team-Information/default.asp for Player and Team Conduct, Unsportsmanlike Consequences, and Disciplinary Actions.