

GROUND ZERO 2026

OFFICIAL WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY

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Organizer: Zero Zero Two (ZZT)

PURPOSE

This Official Waiver and Release of Liability ("Waiver") forms part of the Official Tournament Documents of the Ground Zero 2026 Pickleball Tournament ("Tournament").

By registering for or participating in the Tournament, each Participant acknowledges that they have read, understood, and voluntarily agree to the terms of this Waiver.

This Waiver shall be read together with the Official Terms & Conditions and the Official Player Guide.

SECTION 1. ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF INHERENT RISKS

The Participant understands and acknowledges that participation in pickleball and related Tournament activities involves inherent and unavoidable risks that cannot be completely eliminated regardless of the care taken by the Organizer.

Such risks include, but are not limited to:

- slips, trips, and falls;
- collisions with players, officials, spectators, equipment, or surrounding structures;
- muscle strains;
- sprains;

- fractures;
- cuts and abrasions;
- dehydration;
- heat exhaustion;
- cardiac or respiratory events;
- equipment failure;
- accidents occurring within or around the Tournament venue; and
- other known or unforeseen risks associated with athletic competition.

The Participant fully understands that serious injury, permanent disability, illness, or death may occur despite reasonable safety measures.

SECTION 2. VOLUNTARY ASSUMPTION OF RISK

The Participant voluntarily chooses to participate in the Tournament with full knowledge of the risks involved.

The Participant freely and voluntarily assumes all ordinary risks associated with participation, including risks arising from the actions of other participants, spectators, or the ordinary conditions of the Tournament venue.

Nothing in this Waiver excludes liability that cannot legally be excluded under applicable Philippine law.

SECTION 3. MEDICAL FITNESS

The Participant declares that they are physically fit and medically capable of participating in the Tournament.

The Participant accepts full responsibility for determining their own medical fitness prior to participation.

The Organizer does not provide medical screening and makes no representation regarding the Participant's fitness to compete.

SECTION 4. EMERGENCY MEDICAL TREATMENT

Should the Participant become injured or otherwise require urgent medical attention during the Tournament, the Participant authorizes the Organizer to obtain or arrange reasonable emergency medical assistance when immediate action is considered necessary.

The Participant understands that:

- emergency treatment may be provided without prior consultation where circumstances require;
 - the Organizer does not guarantee the availability of medical personnel or equipment; and
 - all medical expenses shall remain the responsibility of the Participant unless otherwise required by law.
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SECTION 5. RELEASE OF LIABILITY

To the fullest extent permitted by Philippine law, the Participant releases, waives, and discharges the Organizer, Tournament Officials, volunteers, sponsors, venue partners, contractors, employees, and their respective officers, directors, agents, and representatives from liability for any loss, injury, illness, property damage, expense, delay, or inconvenience arising directly or indirectly from participation in the Tournament, except where caused by gross negligence, willful misconduct, or liability that cannot legally be excluded.

This release applies whether such claims arise before, during, or after the Tournament.

SECTION 6. INDEMNITY

The Participant agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Organizer against claims, damages, liabilities, or expenses arising from:

- the Participant's violation of the Official Tournament Documents;
- unlawful or negligent acts committed by the Participant; or
- claims brought by third parties resulting from the Participant's conduct during the Tournament.

This provision shall not require the Participant to indemnify the Organizer for losses resulting from the Organizer's gross negligence or willful misconduct.

SECTION 7. PERSONAL PROPERTY

The Participant accepts full responsibility for the security of their personal belongings.

The Organizer shall not be responsible for the loss, theft, or damage of personal property unless required by applicable law.

SECTION 8. MEDIA CONSENT

The Participant grants the Organizer a non-exclusive, worldwide, royalty-free, perpetual license to photograph, film, livestream, record, reproduce, publish, display, and otherwise use the Participant's name, likeness, voice, image, and Tournament results for legitimate Tournament, promotional, historical, educational, sponsorship, and marketing purposes.

No compensation shall be payable for such use unless otherwise agreed in writing.

SECTION 9. DATA PRIVACY ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The Participant acknowledges that personal information will be collected and processed for legitimate Tournament purposes in accordance with the Data Privacy Act of 2012 (Republic Act No. 10173) and the Organizer's Official Terms & Conditions.

SECTION 10. PARTICIPANT DECLARATION

The Participant declares that:

- they have carefully read this Waiver;

- they fully understand its contents;
 - they have had sufficient opportunity to ask questions before agreeing;
 - they voluntarily accept all obligations contained herein;
 - they understand that they are giving up certain legal rights to the extent permitted by law; and
 - they execute this Waiver freely and without coercion.
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SECTION 11. SEVERABILITY

If any provision of this Waiver is declared invalid or unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall continue in full force and effect to the maximum extent permitted by law.

SECTION 12. GOVERNING LAW

This Waiver shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the Republic of the Philippines.

Any dispute arising from this Waiver shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the courts of competent jurisdiction in the Philippines.

SECTION 13. ELECTRONIC ACCEPTANCE

By registering through the official Tournament registration platform, the Participant acknowledges that they have read, understood, and voluntarily accepted this Waiver.

Electronic acceptance shall have the same legal force and effect as a handwritten signature to the extent permitted under the Electronic Commerce Act (*Republic Act No. 8792*) and other applicable Philippine laws.