



SMP-8 Men's Non-DUPR Format & Rules

The **SMP-8 Men's Non-DUPR League** is a men's-only league and match results are **not reported to DUPR**.

Player Eligibility

Players may register for the level they believe best represents their current playing ability. A DUPR rating is **not required** to participate.

SMP relies on players to select their level fairly and in the spirit of competitive play. **Players who intentionally register below their known DUPR rating or demonstrated ability to gain a competitive advantage may be subject to review and may be ineligible to participate at that level or in future SMP seasons.**

DUPR Levels for Reference

<u>3.0</u>	<u>3.5</u>	<u>4.0</u>
2.75–3.39	3.40 – 3.89	3.90 – 4.40

Teams should have a **suggested minimum roster of 6 men** to allow for lineup flexibility throughout the season.

PLAYER REGISTRATION: \$95

One registration fee covers the entire SMP Championship pathway and prizes for teams that advance to Conference, State, Regional & National playoffs.

Club court fees are not included in the SMP registration fee and are charged separately by each Home Club on game days.

League Schedule

3.0: Thursday, 7:00–9:00 PM

3.5: Monday, 7:00–9:00 PM

4.0: Tuesday, 7:00–9:00 PM

Home Clubs may schedule matches from **6:00–8:00 PM or 8:00–10:00 PM** based on court availability.

Weekly Match Format

Each weekly match consists of **8 games played on 1 court within a 2-hour period.**

If the 2-hour time limit is reached before all games are completed and the Home Club is unable to allow the games to finish, the score at the end of the 2-hour period will be the final score reported for any unfinished games.

Scoring

Games are played using **Rally Scoring to 21** and must be won by 2 points. If neither team has a 2-point lead after reaching 21, play continues until one team reaches **23 points**. The first team to 23 wins the game.

Team Limits Per Club

To keep SMP competitive and exclusive while limiting Club court requirements to a maximum of 4 courts per night, the following team limits apply:

3.0: Maximum of 4 teams per Club, per league

3.5: Maximum of 2 teams per Club, per league

4.0: Maximum of 2 teams per Club, per league

For example, a Club may have up to 4 teams in each 3.0 league (Mixed DUPR, Men's Non-DUPR and Women's Non-DUPR), and up to 2 teams in each of the 3.5 and 4.0 leagues.

When a Club has multiple teams in the same league, the schedule will be structured so that teams are divided between home and away matches each week, helping to maintain the maximum of 4 courts per night.