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### The Paddle

## Prohibited Surface Features and Mechanical Features

- 2.E.6.a. No anti-skid paint or any paint textured with sand, rubber particles, or any material that causes additional spin.
- 2.E.6.b. No rubber and synthetic rubber.
- 2.E.6.c. No sandpaper characteristics.
- 2.E.6.d. No moving parts that can increase head momentum.



2.E.5.c No hand-drawn or handwritten markings are allowed on the paddle's playing surface as long as they do not impact the surface roughness and are in good taste.

No aftermarket graphics are allowed on a commercially made paddle other than "hand-drawn" or "handwritten" pen markings.

Any hand-drawn or handwritten depictions must be in good taste.

#### **Paddle Possession**

11.O. A player must have possession of the paddle when it makes contact with the ball, otherwise it is a fault.

### **Switching Hands**

Rule 11.B. A paddle may be switched from hand to hand at any time.

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