

# Padel project checklist

Fill it in before asking for a quote, then pass it on to your contractor. Values come from the French Tennis Federation (FFT) specification and the FIP rules; sources are on page 2.

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| PROJECT          | TOWN                               |
| NUMBER OF COURTS | SETTING Outdoor · Covered · Indoor |

## 01 The site

- ☐ Space for the playing area (20 × 10 m) and clearances. FFT: 1.40 m over 8 m on at least one side without exits, 3 m each side with exits.
- ☐ Delivery access and a storage area for the parts during installation.
- ☐ Wind exposure, coastal air, altitude: they steer the choice of model (Club+, Panoramic+) and steel finish.
- ☐ Distance to homes. Near housing, the FFT recommends an acoustic impact study.
- ☐ Indoors: at least 7 m of clear height over the whole court, lighting included (FFT, 9 m advised). The FIP sets a 6 m minimum.
- ☐ Power supply available for the lighting.

## 02 Permits

- ☐ Check the local plan (PLU) and your council's planning department before committing.
- ☐ Prior declaration or building permit, depending on the project. A canopy exceeds 20 m<sup>2</sup> of footprint, so it generally needs a building permit.
- ☐ An architect is mandatory above 150 m<sup>2</sup> of floor area, and always for a legal entity.
- ☐ A club open to the public is a public venue (ERP type X indoors, PA outdoors).
- ☐ Outdoor lighting must comply with the decree of 27 December 2018 on light pollution.

## 03 Slab and drainage

- ☐ Bases accepted by the FFT: porous concrete or draining asphalt (NF P90-110), or a concrete slab to DTU 13.3 or a design office's study.
- ☐ FFT flatness: ≤ 6 mm under a 3 m rule, ≤ 2 mm under a 30 cm rule. FIP: < 3 mm under a 3 m rule.
- ☐ Step between slabs ≤ 3 mm (FFT).
- ☐ Water: a fall on a watertight base (FIP: 1 % maximum, centre to edges) or a permeable base with collection under or through the perimeter footing.
- ☐ Perimeter base plates and anchors to DTU, set out to the plan of the chosen model.
- ☐ Several weeks of curing between pouring and installation.

### NO ANCHORED SLAB

Portico Sport's Mobile court stands on ballast boxes. The elevated platform suits sloping ground.

## 04 Lighting

- ☐ At least 300 lux maintained, uniformity  $\geq 0.5$  (0.7 recommended); 350 to 400 lux advised at handover (FFT).
- ☐ Floodlights and masts outside the playing area.
- ☐ Electrical connection by an electrician.
- ☐ Level wanted: leisure or competition (Portico Sport options to EN 12193).

## 05 The court

- ☐ Model: Club, Club+, Ace, Panoramic, Panoramic+, Tournament, Tournament+, or a special format (Single, Mini, Mobile, elevated platform).
- ☐ Toughened glass to NF EN 12150-1, 10 or 12 mm. The FFT requires 12 mm on panoramic courts.
- ☐ Turf and frame colours.
- ☐ Canopy: yes, no, later. It is custom-designed by Portico Sport.
- ☐ Target opening date.

## 06 After installation

- ☐ Weekly: spread the silica sand. Monthly: check net tension.
- ☐ 1 to 6 times a year: top up the sand. Outdoors, 1 to 2 biocide treatments a year.
- ☐ Yearly: check the glass (screws, seals); have the court inspected by a professional.
- ☐ Every 3 to 4 years: decompact the turf. The FFT suggests replacing turf every 4 to 6 years.

### AGEPADEL

Supply of Portico Sport courts, installation, maintenance, turf replacement, technical and commercial support. One point of contact from first call to handover.

### YOU AND YOUR CONTRACTOR

Slab, drainage, electrical connection and planning permission. We send you the requirements of the chosen model.

## Project ready?

Send us this checklist, even half-filled. We reply within 24 hours.

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### SOURCES

1. FFT, padel specification (cahier des charges padel), November 2022
2. FIP, Rules of Padel, 2026
3. French Planning Code, articles R421-1 and R421-9; service-public.fr (building permits)
4. Decree of 27 December 2018 on light pollution
5. Portico Sport, product sheets and maintenance advice

For information only; it does not replace advice from your council's planning department or a design office. The FFT published a new edition of its specification in 2025: check the values before works begin.