

The following review is for the GAMMA Razor pickleball paddle.

The label states that the Razor has new Sensa Poly Core Technology, a textured graphite face, and GAMMA Honeycomb Cushion Grip. The Razor weighs about 7.6 oz making it a midweight paddle and has a grip size of 4 1/8 inches.

After removing the plastic wrapper from the grip and holding the paddle for the first time, I was immediately impressed with the comfortable feel of the grip. The honeycomb grip design gives the grip a very secure feel.

Compared to the grip of my regular paddle the Razor handle is slightly smaller and shorter. Ladies and youth may find the grip is perfect, if they have a smaller hand. Although the handle is shorter, the overall length of the paddle is the same as my paddle.

The textured graphite surface allows a player to better accomplish spin shots and add top spin. The paddle surface area is wider than my paddle from the point where the face curves to meet the grip. The Razor does have an edge guard, but it has a minimal width.

After using the Razor for a couple of games I was pleased with the way I could make my soft shots. That was an improvement over my paddle. I don't usually use spin techniques, but the paddle was responsive to the ones I did try.

Several players, ladies and men, of varying abilities used the Razor. Many of the ladies and at least one of the men felt the paddle grip was a good fit for their hand. They reported the paddle was nicely suited for a wide variety of their shots. Many players that used the Razor felt that it was lighter and more responsive than the paddle they currently use.

Overall the Razor may be a good fit for beginning to intermediate players that prefer a smaller, shorter handle. The extra paddle face surface area may appeal to beginners, by helping them make some of the more difficult shots.

More information can be found at:

http://www.pickleballcentral.com/Gamma_Pickleball_Paddles_s/260.htm

I would like to thank Pickleball Central for providing the paddle for this review.

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