



PLAY OF THE GAME

Every game is broken down into innings of play. During an inning of play, each player must pitch all four of his/her bags. An inning is never completed until all players pitch all four of his/her bags.

DOUBLES CORNHOLE MATCHES

Two teams, consisting of two players, compete against one another until a winning team is determined.

- Each team will stay in their designated lane for the whole game.
- Players at the headboard will alternate pitching bags until each player has pitched all four of his/her bags.
- Players at the footboard will take score and resume pitching back to the other board.
- The top of an inning is completed when both players pitching from the headboard pitch all four bags; the bottom of the inning is completed when the remaining players pitching from the footboard pitch all four bags.
- Teams will switch sides at the end of each game.
- Best of 3 games wins the match, double elimination.
- Bags provided by tournament, no custom bags allowed.
- Boards are regulation size and will be distanced the regulation 27 feet.

SCORING

The approved method of scoring for the sport of cornhole is “cancellation” scoring. For tournament play cancellation scoring will not be used, all points scored by each team will be counted. **The final four teams will use cancellation scoring.**

Bag In-The-Count (Woody): Any bag which comes to rest anywhere on top of the board. Bags partially on the board will count as long as no part of the bag is touching the ground. Each is worth one (1) point.

- Bag In-The Hole (Cornhole): Any bag which is thrown through the hole or knocked through the hole by another bag. Each is worth three (3) points.
- Foul Bags – Refers to any bag that has not been determined as Bag In-The Count or Bag In-The-Hole or was designated a foul bag as the result of rules violation.

First 2 games will be played to 21; if a team wins first two games the 3rd game will not be played. If a 3rd game is needed it will be played to 11 points. **All games must be won by 2 points.** The first player/team to reach (or exceed) that amount at the conclusion is the winner of the game. For the championship round each game will be played to 21. Upon conclusion of each match the winning team will report results at the bracket table.

PLAYER PITCHING ROTATION

The player or team who scored in the preceding inning has honor pitching first in the next inning. If neither player nor team scores, the player or team who pitched first in the preceding frame shall retain first pitch in the next frame.

POSITION OF PLAYERS DURING PITCHING

- The pitcher must be within the pitcher's box or behind the foul line at the time of release
- A player must pitch all four bags from their designated pitcher's box. A player may toss from either side but must throw all 4 bags from the same side.
- Players must pitch the bag with an under-hand release.

FOUL BAG RULE VIOLATIONS

The following are rule violations that must be spotted and called by a player. The penalty is to declare the bag a foul bag, which requires the bags to be removed from the court prior to resuming play.

- Any bag pitched when the player has made contact or crossed over the foul line.
- Any bag pitched when the player has started or stepped completely outside the pitcher's box before the bag is released.
- A bag pitched from a different pitcher's box than the first bag.
- Any bag that contacted the court or the ground before coming to rest on the board.
- Any bag removed from the board before scoring has been agreed upon for that bag
 - The offending team (who touches the bags) forfeits all remaining bags and tallies the score of just the bags thrown before the foul was reported.
 - The non-offending team tallies twelve (12) points as if they had thrown four Bag In-The-Holes (Cornholes) during the inning.
- A bag that leaves a player's hand once the final forward swing of the delivery process has started shall count as a pitched bag.
- A bag that is accidentally dropped by a player before the final forward swing has started shall not be considered foul and may be picked up and pitched.