

# TAA CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT RULES

## Basic Rules

- Tulsa Cornhole is providing all the boards and bags for the tournament. No other boards or bags will be allowed to be used.
- For tournament play the boards will be set 27 feet apart from front edge to front edge.
- There 4 bags per set and 2 sets of different colors are needed to play
- The front of the board represents the foul line and players may not step in front of the board or behind the board. Players must remain within three feet of their side of the board.
- Only players will be allowed on the lawn area where the boards are setup. Please be respectful of the game lawn area and equipment so that it is not damaged during the event.

## Scoring

- Bag on the board = 1 point
- Bag through the hole = 3 points
- Bags that hit the ground prior to landing on the board or going in the hole do not count and must be removed from the board and put on the ground.
- Any bag hanging off the board and touching the ground does not count.
- Any bag hanging in the hole counts as 1 point.
- Cancellation scoring is used at the end of each round. After all 8 bags have been pitched, the score is calculated based on the bags that remain on the board and have gone through the hole. If team A has 4 points and team B has 3 points, team A gets 1 point.
- A game is played to 21+. There is no win by 2 or bust rule for going over 21
  - *Games have a time limit of 12 minutes. If a team doesn't achieve a 21+ score at the end of the time limit, then the team with the highest score will be the winner.*

## Awards

- 1<sup>st</sup> through 4<sup>th</sup> Place Teams will be recognized.
- Attendees will vote for their favorite Team Name. The Team Name with the most votes wins the Best Team Name award.
- A Spirit Award will be given to the company whose Team & Spectators show the most spirit during the tournament. Enthusiasm, outfit, props, etc. are all considered.

## Gameplay

- Coin toss
  - *The winner of the coin toss gets the choice of throwing first or choosing which side of the board to throw from.*
- Players will alternate throwing their 4 bags down to the board on the other end.
- Throwing out of turn or outside the throwing box is a foul. The bag that was thrown when the foul occurred does not count and is immediately removed from play.
- When throwing you must have one foot inside the throwing box and you must have one foot remaining on the ground inside the throwing box. If at any time a player does not have at least one foot touching the ground in the throwers box until the bag hits the board than a foul occurs. The bag thrown will be removed immediately from play.
- In doubles, partners stand on the opposite side from each other. This means that one player from Team A will throw from the right side of the board on one end and the partner will be throwing from the left side of the board on the other end.
- Make sure all bags have been thrown before any bag is picked up. This includes bags on the ground.

## Tournament Rules

- The tournament will be ran as a double elimination tournament - 1 game in the winners bracket and 1 game in the losers bracket.
- Games will have a time limit of 12 minutes. If a team doesn't achieve 21+ points at the end of the time limit, then the team with the highest score will be the winner.

These rules serve as a basic guideline and show how we run tournaments. There are many variations that are played among friends and family. If you are unsure about the rules of a recreational game or tournament, make sure you ask the person in charge before you start playing. If you have any questions or issues with playing conditions or concerned about equipment raise it prior to start of playing. Nothing can be done after the fact.

## Bag Policy

Bags are provided for this event. You cannot bring your own bags.