



## Goombay Raleigh-Durham Official Corn Hole League Rules





## **Rules, Policies & Procedures**

### **I. Purpose of League Play**

A. The purpose of the Goombay Raleigh-Durham Adult Corn hole League, is to combine the interest of men's, women's and co-ed corn hole, the spirit of the community in wholesome recreation, and clean sportsmanship.

### **II. Goombay Raleigh-Durham Functions & Responsibilities**

A. Responsible for the general organization of the Adult Corn hole League.

B. Responsible for corn hole boards, bags and other equipment.

C. Schedule all staff required to run a game.

D. Provide a scorekeeper.

E. Keep a record of all games played.

F. Post results from games and team standings on

[www.goombayrd.com](http://www.goombayrd.com)

### **III. Players' Functions and Responsibilities**

A. Report to the games in a timely manner.

B. Be responsible for the actions of the team.

C. Keep up the speed of play.



- D. Notify the League Director of a potential or planned forfeit of a game as soon as it is determined, so the Director can notify the opposing team.
- E. E. Ensure all trash is discarded and corn hole “play” areas are clean.

#### **IV. Safety is everyone’s responsibility**

- A. Participants often do not take their own safety and the safety of others into consideration when having fun. It is our priority as public servants to be safety-conscious and to take precautions in order to help protect the players, spectators, and employees from injury. Please be observant and aware of unsafe situations or hazards, and correct them yourself or immediately notify the supervisor on duty.

#### **V. Alcohol**

- A. League play will be held inside of the beer garden. Alcohol purchased in the beer garden, WILL NOT be allowed to be taken outside of the establishment. You must be 21 years of age or older to consume alcohol. Alcohol that is not purchased from the beer garden is not allowed.



## **The Basics**

- For competitive play, place a set of corn hole boards 27 feet apart from front edge to front edge. Beginners, juniors and recreational players may want to start at a shorter distance. We recommend decreasing the distance in three foot increments to find a comfortable beginning playing distance.
- There are 4 bags per set. 2 sets of different colors are needed to play singles or doubles.
- The front of the board represents the foul line. 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.

## **Scoring**

- Bag on Board = 1 point
- Bag through Hole = 3 points
- Bags that hit the ground prior to landing on the board or going into the hole do not count
- Any bag hanging off the board and touching the ground does not count
- Any bag hanging in the hole only counts as 1 point
- Cancellation scoring is used at the end of each round. After all 8 bags have been thrown; the score is calculated based on the bags that remain on the board and have gone in the hole. If Team A has 4 points and Team B has 3 points, Team A will get 1 point
- A game is played to 21+. There is no win by 2 or bust rule for going over 21

## **Gameplay**

- Coin toss takes all – The player that wins the coin toss chooses the initial side of board to throw from and whether to start out throwing first or second
- 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.
- In Singles, once the first round is completed, players will walk down to score the round, stay on the same side and then throw back for the next round. This means



- that if Player A throws down from the right side of the board in the first round, Player A will be throwing back from the left side of the board in the second round
- 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

These rules serve as a basic guideline and mirror how we run our 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, issues with playing conditions or concerned about equipment, raise it prior to start playing. Nothing can be done after the fact.