



PAY IT FORWARD ETHIOPIA 2024 BEAN BAG TOURNAMENT RULES

GAME PLAY

1. Two teams of two people, termed partners, shall play. Partners shall stand at opposite boxes on the same side and face each other, so there is no advantage given to one team.
2. Each team shall have 4 bags of one color. Bags are provided, no personal equipment.
3. All 8 bags begin at one end.
4. A coin toss shall determine which team throws first. One of the partners on the team who has honors shall begin play by throwing a bag at the opposite box.
5. A player may throw from anywhere behind the foul line.
6. Game continues by alternating throws between the two opposing players until all 8 bags have been thrown.
7. If a bag hits the ceiling, it is still considered "in play" and is a valid throw.
8. If a bag hits the ground then bounces up onto the board, that bag shall be taken off the playing surface.
9. The next round starts when the other player on the team, which has honors, throws their first bag.
10. The game continues until one team reaches 21 or more points, however, the round continues until all bags have been thrown.
11. Each team will play a match consisting of best 2 out of 3 games against the same opponent.

FOULS

A foul occurs when any of the following happens

1. A player's foot goes past the foot foul line, termed a foot foul.
2. A player goes out of turn.

The player who caused the foul loses the throw when the foul occurred and the bag shall be removed if it landed on the playing surface.

SCORING

1. The score shall be taken after all bags have been thrown for a round.
2. Points shall be given as follows:
 - 3 points for a bag that goes through the hole
 - 1 point for a bag that is on the playing surface
 - 1 point for a bag that is hanging into the hole
 - 1 point for a bag that is hanging off the edge but not touching the ground
 - 0 points for a bag that is hanging off the front edge and is resting on a bag that is on the ground, unless the bag on the ground can be removed without making the hanging bag fall to the ground, then 1 point is given
3. The score for each round is determined by each team combining their points for all bags in the hole with all the bags on the board. The team with the higher total subtracts the opposing team's points and earns the points of the difference between the two totals. The team with the lower total does not earn any points for the round. For example: If Team #1 has 7 points and Team #2 has 5 points, Team #1 wins 2 points for that round.
4. If both teams have the same round score then the game score stays the same and honors stays with the team who had it the previous round.
5. A tournament official shall solve any discrepancies or rulings that cannot be resolved mutually between two teams.

HAVE FUN and THANK YOU for playing