



# Parent/Child Cornhole League Rules

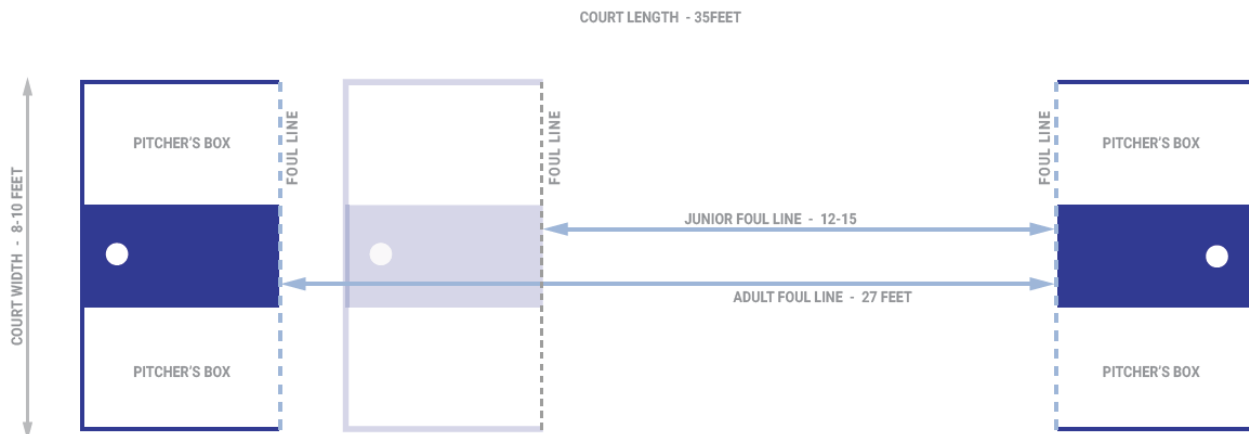
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## PHILOSOPHY

Novi Parks sponsored leagues and activities are formed and operated on the principles of good sportsmanship, fair play, courtesy to others, healthy activity and other policies pertaining to all-around community understanding and development.

## TERMINOLOGY

- **Pitching:** When the player is throwing the bag to the cornhole board
- **Bag In-The-Count (Woody):** Any bag that has been pitched and remains on the board at the conclusion of the frame (worth 1 point)
- **Bag In-The-Hole (Cornhole):** Any bag that has been pitched and passes through the cornhole board at any time of the frame (worth 3 points)
- **Foul Bags:** Refers to any bag that has not been determined as Woody or Cornhole or was designated a foul bag as the result of rules violations. Any bag that struck the ground first or is contacting both the ground and board are considered a foul bag.
- **Pitcher's Box:** The area from back edge to front edge of the board that the player must remain in while throwing. The junior pitcher's box will be in front of the boards for this league, as the boards will be placed at adult-play distances.
- **Foul Lines:** There are two sets of foul lines: adult-play and junior-play (12 & under). The adult-play foul lines are defined as an imaginary line 27 feet between the front of each board. The junior-play foul lines will be 12-15 feet between the front of each board.
- **Foul:** Any penalty against the player or team (crossing the line or pitching out of turn)
- **Frame:** When all four bags have been thrown by both players on a side
- **Inning:** When all four bags have been thrown by both players from each team



## **GAMEPLAY**

- Each team is comprised of two people
- A game of rock, paper, scissors will determine who goes first
- 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
- Cancellation scoring is in effect. In cancellation scoring, the points of one player cancel out the points of their opponent. (Example: Team A lands three woodies and Team B lands one woody. Score = A-2, B-0)
- The team who scored in the preceding inning pitches first in the next inning. If neither team scores, the team who pitched first in the preceding frame shall retain first pitch in the next frame.
- The pitcher must be within the pitcher's box or behind the foul line at the time of release
- Players must pitch the bag with an under-hand release

## **LENGTH OF MATCH**

- Games will be played to 21 points. The first team to reach (or exceed) that amount at the conclusion of an inning wins the game.
- Curfew Clock: Each game has a 15-minute time limit. When the curfew clock expires, the inning shall continue until completed with all bags thrown. The score at that time will be final.

## **SCORES**

- Teams should confirm scores with each other after each inning during the game
- A representative from the winning team must report the final score to the Site Supervisor immediately following the conclusion of the game

## **CHAMPIONSHIP**

- Playoffs will take place the sixth week of the season
- The double-elimination bracket will be seeded based on regular season results

## **PRIZES**

- Prizes will be gift cards to a local restaurant or retailer
- Playoff champions will win a \$50 gift card
- Playoff runners-up will win a \$25 gift card

## **SPORTSMANSHIP**

Please keep in mind that the purpose of this organization is to provide a safe and enjoyable experience for each player, while furthering sportsmanship and understanding of the game.