



# YMCA Adult/Child Cornhole League

## Equipment

- Cornhole board and bags provided
- Jewelry is NOT allowed to be worn during youth sports matches/games. This includes NO earrings. (**cannot tape earrings**).
- No hard cast/splint

## Board Distance:

- Children 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>: 15'
- Children 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>: 27'
- Adults: 27'

## Number of players:

- Each team will consist of two players. One adult participant and one child participant.
- Adult participants will throw against the opposing adult and child participants will throw against the opposing children.

## Time limit:

- Matches are limited to 35 minutes. Best 2 out of 3 games, teams can play as many games as the 35 minutes allow.

## Scoring:

- Each bag that comes to rest on top of the board, is worth 1 point.
- Each bag that is thrown through the hole or knocked through the hole by another bag is worth 3 points.
- Traditional cornhole cancellation scoring will be used. In cancellation scoring, the points of one player/team can cancel out the points of their opponent. Using this method, only one player/team will score in each frame.
- Teams will play to 21
- Best 2 out of 3 games
- Games may not end in a tie, teams must win by 1 point for the match to conclude.

## During Play:

- Both players play one board at a time and stay in their designated lane for the whole game (right or left). Players start the game at one board and alternate pitching bags until each player has pitched all (4) of their bags.
- Players must deliver the bag with an underhanded release.
- Feet must stay behind the line of the front of the board (or 15' for 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>) at the time of releasing the bag.
- The team/player who scored in the preceding frame pitches first in the next frame. If neither team scores, the player who pitched first in the preceding frame shall retain first pitch in the next frame.
- A bag that comes to rest touching the ground and the board does not count as a point.

**Dead Bags:**

- Any bag that contacted the ground before coming to rest on the board shall be ruled a dead bag.
- Any bag that struck a previously defined object, such as a tree limb, wire, indoor court ceiling etc. shall be ruled a dead bag.
- Immediately removed dead bags from play and continue the round. The offending team is not assessed any foul or penalty for the dead bag.
- Dead Bags are worth 0 points.

**Fouls:**

- Any bag pitched when the player has contacted or crossed over the foul line.
- Any bag pitched when the player has started or stepped completely outside the pitchers' box before the bag is released.
- Any bag that is not pitched with an underhand release.