

SPRING 2025 CORNHOLE RULES

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Recent changes will appear in italicized and highlighted text

Rule 1: Facility

1. All games will be played on Alpine Field.

Rule 2: Eligibility

1. The Intramural Sports Program is open to all University of Colorado Colorado Springs undergraduate and graduate students currently enrolled, as well as faculty, staff, and affiliate members, provided they have a valid membership with Campus Recreation and a valid Sport Pass. The Semester Sport Pass can be purchased for \$20 per semester or \$10 Sport Pass per activity (league/event).
2. Prior to participating, all players must check-in with the Sport Programs Supervisor. To check-in, each participant must present their University issued virtual ID, or must provide a University or must provide a government-issued photo ID.
 - a. No participant may participate in Intramural Sport under any identification other than their own. Any player using an assumed name, false gender identity, or an illegal I.D card will cause their team to forfeit the contest they participated in. The individual will also be suspended from intramural competition and their case will be forwarded to the UCCS Dean Students Office.
3. Varsity athletes may participate in other intramural activities outside of their varsity sport. However, they may not participate in their varsity sport or its related activities at the intramural

Rule 3: Team Composition

1. The game shall be played between 2 teams of 2 players each.

Rule 4: Equipment

1. Cornhole boards and bags will be provided for the tournament. Boards will be 27 feet apart. 4 bags each team depending on supply.

Rule 5: Ground Rules

1. A game shall be won by the team who first wins 21 points and win by two.
2. There is no going back down if teams go over the 21 points
3. A player may throw from the front edge of the board and/or beyond. Foot may not pass the front edge
4. Teams can decide to throw A, B, A, B **OR** A, A, B, B
5. Team that earns the most points after everyone has thrown, will throw first in the next round.
6. A match is the best two out of three games.
 - a. Teams can switch sides after each game

Rule 6: Scoring

1. Bag on the board = 1 point
2. Bag in the hole = 3 points
3. A bag that is half on the ground and half on the board will NOT count as 1 point
4. Add up how many points you earned and compare them to your opponents. Equal points cancel each other out so that only one team can score per round. For example, if you scored 5 points and your opponent scored 3, you will add 2 points to your overall score and your team will throw first in the next round.

Rule 7: Forfeit Scoring

1. Should a team win by forfeit, the reported score for the game will be in the following list below. The winning team will receive a "5" for their Sportsmanship Rating while the losing team will receive a "2" for their Sportsmanship Rating.
 - d. Cornhole 2-0.

Rule 8: Sportsmanship

1. Intramural Sports expects all participants and spectators to conduct themselves in a sportsmanlike manner. Following each game, officials and/or supervisors evaluate team behavior and issue sportsmanship points to all teams. In the regular season, captains may view their sportsmanship score online and questions about scores should be directed to the sport's league coordinator. **To be eligible for the playoffs, a team must have a minimum average sportsmanship rating of 2.5.** During playoffs, a score of at least 2.5 will guarantee advancement for the winning team. A winning team with a sportsmanship rating less than 2.5 must contact and meet with the Coordinator of Intramural Sports no later than the day of the next contest to determine if the team should advance. Teams playing multiple games on the same night must meet with the Intramural Sports Supervisor prior to their next contest if a rating below four is received. The breakdown of sportsmanship ratings are as follows:
 - a. 5 points:
 - i. Team displays excellent sportsmanship while treating opponent with respect. Players always demonstrate excellent sportsmanship. Team respects Intramural Sports Officials and Supervisors and accepts their decisions without gesture or argument. Captain calmly converses with officials about rules/calls. Team maintains an attitude of complete cooperation with staff. Players always display self-control.
 - b. 4 points:
 - i. Team displays good sportsmanship. Team plays hard but within the rules. Team respects Intramural Sports Staff and generally accepts their decisions without gesture or argument. Team is mostly cooperative with game Officials and Opponents. Team Captain is able to control his/her players. Team Captain is the only participant discussing rules with the officials.
 - c. 3 Points:
 - i. Participants display disagreement/frustration with decisions of staff/officials. Questioning of judgment/rules interpretation not presented in a respectful manner. There are minor incidents of unsportsmanlike behavior towards opponents, spectators, or staff. Examples include, but are not limited to, trash talk, cursing in any manner, publicly questioning an official's abilities, mocking

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the skill level of an opponent. Team defaults a game. Participants other than the captain dispute rules with officials.

- d. 2 Points:
 - i. Team repeatedly questions judgment/officiating abilities. Participants are openly arguing calls with officials on multiple incidents. Unsportsmanlike call-in volleyball; flag football; yellow card in soccer; technical foul in basketball; team/player warning in softball.
- e. 1 Point:
 - i. Team receives multiple unsportsmanlike calls and/or technical fouls (not on the same participant). Team receives any ejection other than ejection prior to or during the contest. Official or supervisor has to suspend play to talk to a team or participant.
- f. 0 Points:
 - i. Fighting or contest ended due to extenuating conduct circumstances: Includes threatening an employee. If involved in a fight your team could be removed from the league for the remainder of the season. Sportsmanship ratings are affected by a team's participants and spectators conduct before, during and after a contest.