CORNHOLE RULES

Participation: All participants must have a valid Phoenix Card and be eligible for participation as listed in the Elon University Intramural Sports Participant Guide.

Game time is forfeit time.

Unless otherwise noted below, all American Cornhole Association Rules apply.

1. Game Rules

1.1. A team consists of two participants.
   1.1.1. A team must have both participants present to avoid a forfeit.
   1.1.2. A team may be co-ed, without a gender requirement.
   1.1.3. Substitutions are only allowed at the end of a set.

1.2. Matches will be best two out of three sets.
   1.2.1. A set is to 21 points.
   1.2.2. Teams may exceed the 21 point limit without penalty. Teams do not have to win by two points.
       1.2.2.1. If a team that pitches first reaches or exceeds 21 points, the game can not end until the other side is allowed to pitch all of their corn bags and the inning is completed.
       1.2.2.2. If the set is tied at 21 or more at the end, play continues until one team or the other achieves a higher score at the end of an inning and wins the match.

1.3. Matches are limited to 30 minutes.
   1.3.1. A team that is leading after the 30 minutes from the opening throw will be declared the winner.

1.4. Teams will switch ends after each set.

1.5. Each participant will have 10 seconds to throw each bag. The time shall start when the contestant steps onto the pitcher’s box with the intention of pitching.

1.6. Each team must rotate pitching bags until they have thrown all four bags.

1.7. Each participant may throw from either side of the cornhole platform, but must continue to throw from that side throughout the set.
   1.7.1. The front of the cornhole platform will be used as the foot fault line.

1.8. All equipment will be provided by Campus Recreation.

1.9. Each team shall designate a captain to act as team spokesperson and make decisions. Only the captain may talk to officials.
   1.9.1. The Team Captain is responsible for the conduct of his/her teammates, spectators, and managers/coaches. Team representatives are subject to sanctions as listed in the Elon Intramural Sports Participant Guide.

2. Scoring

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2.1. Cancellation scoring will be used.
   2.1.1. The points of the lowest scoring participant are subtracted from the points of the highest scoring participant, declaring the round winner.
   2.1.2. The winner of the round adds the difference in round score to their total game score.
   2.1.3. Rounds ending in a tie result in zero points for either team.

2.2. Bags from opposing teams on the platform or in the hole will cancel each other out. Only non-cancelled bags are counted in the score for the inning.

2.3. A bag which is thrown through the hole in the cornhole platform or otherwise comes to rest inside the cornhole platform has a value of three points.

2.4. A bag that is not in-the-hole but lands with any portion of the bag resting on top of the cornhole platform has a value of one point.
   2.4.1. It must not touch the ground or any other portion of the court prior to coming to rest on the cornhole platform.
   2.4.2. If a bag touches the ground before coming to rest on the cornhole platform, it must be removed from the cornhole platform prior to the continuation of play.