

City of Georgetown Parks and Recreation Department

Adult Cornhole Rulebook

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All athletic league participants are responsible for following any posted site-specific rules and regulations as well as the policies and procedures set forth in this document and in our guide to behavior, *Good Sportsmanship*. The Georgetown Parks and Recreation Department promises to administer these policies and procedures in an equitable and fair manner. Please treat staff courteously.

GENERAL LEAGUE RULES:

1. All players must be at least 18 years of age at the time they participate.
2. Players may participate on one team only. Any player found playing under an assumed name will be suspended along with the coach for the remainder of the season. A game can be forfeited if there are any players on the team whose names are not on the roster.
3. The boards will be placed 27 feet apart.
4. Teams are allowed to bring their own bags and each toss must be behind the foul line or bags/points do not count.
5. Determine which team goes first. Team may determine who goes first by coin-toss, rock paper scissors, or each team throws one bag, and highest score chooses.
6. Players must stand behind the foul line to throw the bag, and players must alternate throws between teams residing on the same side.
7. Receive 1 point for a bag that lands on the board, 3 points for a bag in the hole, and 0 points for a bag on the ground or touching the ground. No bouncing bags onto the board.
8. Score will be kept by cancelation; for example, if both players land on the board neither point counts.
9. The player who scored in the preceding frame will pitch first in the next frame. If neither player/team scores, the player/team who pitched first in the preceding frame shall retain first pitch in the next frame.
10. The first team to reach or pass 21 points, (BUST ALLOWED) wins. Teams must win by 2 points!
11. All disputes will be settled by the cornhole official, their decision will be final!
12. All throws must be underhand; no overhand-throws are allowed.

No Call/No Show: If a team will be forfeiting their game, they must give GPARD a written email notice by 12:00pm the day of the game. If the team does not give this notice, there will be a \$50.00 fee that is charged to the team. This fee must be paid by the following game, or the team must forfeit the remainder of the games until the fee is paid. This is to eliminate opposing teams and/or staff showing up unnecessarily to play or work. If both teams do not show up and GPARD has not been notified, both teams will take a loss. You will need to e-mail Brock at brock.harris@georgetowntexas.gov for all forfeited notifications.

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Good Sportsmanship

The City of Georgetown Parks and Recreation Department strives to provide a positive environment for people to both observe and participate in various events and programs. Enjoyment, skills development, physical and mental wellness, and good sportsmanship are encouraged in everything we do.

To that end, we will uphold ourselves and our clients to the following standards of behavior:

- ★ To demonstrate and always encourage good sportsmanship and fair play.
- ★ To maintain a positive attitude regardless of the outcome of the match, game or event.
- ★ To demonstrate self-control, self-discipline and to resolve any conflicts in a positive manner.
- ★ To treat everyone with respect and courtesy.
- ★ To keep tone, volume, language and gestures appropriate and positive.
- ★ To accept responsibility for one's own behavior, actions and words, with the understanding that unacceptable behavior will have consequences that limit or eliminate the ability to participate or attend in the future.

There are many different types of unacceptable or inappropriate behavior. The following list is meant to be an example and does not represent all prohibited behavior.

- Touching, pushing or striking another person
- Mocking, taunting, name-calling, booing or heckling, disrespectful or derogatory yells, chants, songs or gestures
- Deliberately distracting participants, coaches, officials, instructors or staff
- Deliberately delaying the program / event / game / match
- Blaming outcome of program / event / game / match on others
- Profanity or inappropriate language
- Tobacco, alcohol or drug use
- Public inebriation
- Property damage
- Threats of future violence
- Any unlawful behavior / actions

Consequences for unacceptable behavior will vary based on the severity of the action(s) and any previous history of poor behavior. Responses by the City of Georgetown Parks and Recreation Department staff may include but are not limited to:

- Verbal warnings
- Written warnings
- Immediate ejection from program / event / game / match and facility
- Suspension (short-term)
- Suspension (long-term)
- Criminal charges

Records of all disciplinary actions will be kept on file at the Georgetown Recreation Center for a period in accordance with City of Georgetown document-keeping practices. All parties must

abide by the staff's decision at the time of the incident; however, a person may submit a typed protest to the appropriate Recreation Supervisor within 24 hours after the disciplinary action is administered. Decisions made to this appeal are final.