



BAGS LEAGUE RULES

Equipment:

- **The Boards:** The boards are 24" x 48". The boards will be placed 27 feet apart from front to front.
- **The Bags:** Each team will have 4 bags provided by DGPD.

Rules of the game:

- Team members will stand at opposite boxes facing each other as will their opponents. Each team will have four bags of one color.
- Teams are responsible for holding a coin toss, which will decide which team throws first, and both teams will begin tossing from the same end with their four colored bags.
- The team that won the coin toss begins play by throwing one bag at the opposite box making sure not to step past the front edge of the box they are tossing from. If the player steps past the front edge, then the bag is removed from the field of play forfeiting any points for that bag. This is at the discretion of the opposing team. A player may throw from anywhere behind the front of the box they are throwing from.
- Game continues by alternating throws between the two opponent players until all 8 bags have been tossed. Then the team that scored the most points on that toss has honors and tosses first. If tied on points for the toss, then the team that had honors on the prior toss goes first.

Point Scoring:

- Bags must land on the board surface on the fly. If a bag hits the ground then bounces up onto the board, that bag will be taken off the playing surface and no points awarded for that bag. If a bag lands on the board and slides off any side, no points are awarded for that bag. Also 0 points are awarded for bags hanging over the board and touching the ground, even if they land on the board surface on a fly then slide down. If a bag, already on the board, slides down and off onto the ground and another bag lands on the board and slides down on the bag already on the ground; then after all bags have been tossed, the players remove the bag on the ground by sliding it from under the boarded bag. If the bag remains on the board then 1 point is awarded, but if the bag slides off then no points are awarded for that bag. No points will be awarded for any bag off the board. 3 points are awarded for each bag tossed into the hole and 1 point for each bag remaining on the board's surface after all eight bags are tossed. Points offset each other: EXAMPLE: If RED team tosses 2 bags into the hole and 1 on the surface for 7 points and BLUE team tosses 1 bag into the hole and 3 on the surface for 6 points then RED team scores 1 point. The RED team leads 1-0 and another round of toss begins. The first team to reach 21 (or higher), with a lead of two points, wins the game.

General Guidelines:

- All captains are expected to inform their players concerning all rules and regulations before the first game and as many times thereafter as necessary to make sure that no violations will occur.
- It is the captains' responsibility to make sure all league fees, roster and waivers are in and paid.
- All captains are expected to inform their players of scheduled games, schedule changes, make-ups, and standings.
- Captains are responsible for notifying the Park District of a change of address and/or phone number.
- Participation in any type of disorderly conduct (fighting, verbal abuse, etc.) will result in expulsion from the league. There will be zero tolerance for this.
- All player subs must be listed on roster sheet with a signature before they start play.
- All decisions and judgments will be made by the Athletic Supervisor.

League Format:

- Game dates, times and standings will be posted at www.teamsideline.com/dgparks
- Games may begin as soon as the previous match is completed. If first round games run late, then the following games may subsequently have later starting times.
- While teams are allowed to start early, they cannot be penalized as long as they are present by the scheduled game time.
- Each team will play 12 matches during the regular season.
- League standings will be scored by W and L for each set within a match. Teams should play all three sets within a match. If you win all three matches it would be scored 3-0.

Forfeits:

- If a team has not arrived after 10 minutes of the start time, they will forfeit game one. After 20 minutes of the start time they will forfeit the match.
- Any team with a forfeit will lose all tiebreakers.
- Upon three forfeits, your team will be removed from the league and no refunds will be given.

Roster:

- Each team may have 4 total people on their roster. Each player must sign the roster to be a legal player.
- Playing with an ineligible player will cause your team to forfeit any match that player was involved in.
- Rosters may be changed any time before playoffs begin. Only those rostered will be allowed to participate in the playoff. You are allowed unlimited subs throughout the regular season.
- Players may not play on more than one team at any time throughout the season, even as a substitute to avoid forfeiture.
- On the last regular season date, rosters will become final and cannot be changed.

Playoff Format:

- Playoffs will consist of the top 8 teams in the league.
- Top 8 Teams will participate in a single elimination tournament at the end of the season.
 - Tiebreakers will be as follows:
 - Winning Percentage
 - Any team with a forfeit automatically loses all tiebreakers (if more than one team has one then, the lowest number forfeits gets better seed)
 - Head-to-head win/loss record
 - Win/loss record against like opponents
 - Coin toss

Prizes:

- First place playoff winners will receive \$100. Checks will be mail after season is over.
- Second place playoff winner will receive \$50. Checks will be mail after season is over.

Web Site:

- Rules, Schedules, Standings, and Updates are located at www.teamsideline.com/dgparks.

Weather Hotline:

- For Bags League game cancellations, please call the [DGPD Rainout Line at 630-225-7272 ext. #32](tel:630-225-7272).