

Bean Bag Study Guide

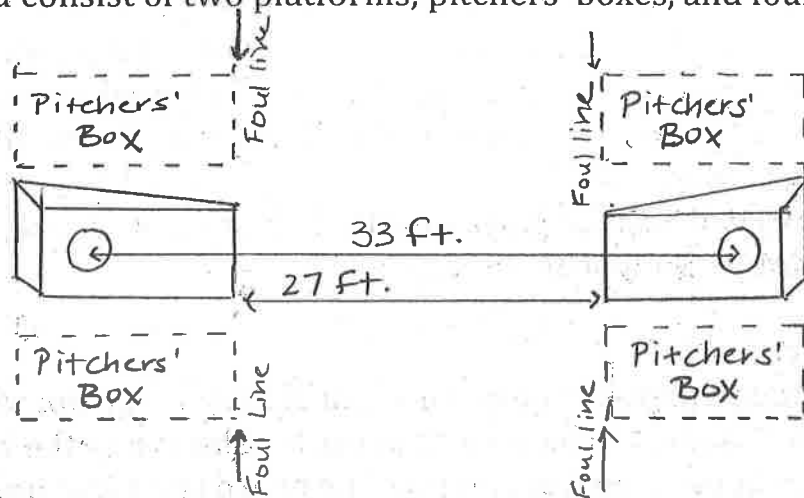
This game is known by many names: Corn Hole, Corn Toss, Bean Bags, Bean Toss, and Baggio. Its popularity can be attributed to the fact that it can be played anywhere---driveways, parks, backyards, campgrounds, beaches, and indoors---and it can be played by children and adults, alike. Bean Bags has a lot in common with golf, bowling, and horseshoes.

Equipment:

- Two platforms measuring 48" X 24". The slant of each platform is 4" at the front to 12" at the rear. The hole in each platform is six inches in diameter centered nine inches from the top.
- 2 sets of 4 bags. The finished minimum size is 6" X 6" square filled with corn feed and weighing 14 - 16 ounces.

Court Layout:

The court is a level rectangular area 10 feet wide and a minimum of 45 feet long. The court should consist of two platforms, pitchers' boxes, and foul lines.



Value of the bag:

Bag-in-the-hole - Worth 3 points. This is a bag that is thrown completely through the hole in the platform or is knocked in by another bag.

Bag-in-the-count - Worth 1 point. This is a bag that lands with any portion of the bag on the platform. A bag that is hanging over the edge or hanging in the hole is considered a bag-in-the-count as long as it is not touching any part of the ground. Note: The bag may not touch the ground before coming to rest of the platform. If this happens, the bag should be immediately removed from the board.

Bag-out-of-the-count - Worth 0 points. This is a bag that comes to rest anywhere except in-the-count or in-the-hole. Reminder: A bag declared to be foul is considered to be out-of-the-count and must be removed from the platform prior to the continuation of play.

Cancellation Scoring:

Bags-in-the-hole and bags-in-the-count pitched by opponents during an inning cancel each other out. Only non-cancelled bags are counted.

Rules:

- Bean Bags can be played as doubles or singles. In doubles play, two contestants are partners against another team of two contestants. In singles play, one contestant competes against another contestant. In doubles play, one member of each team pitches from one platform and the other members pitch from the opposite platform. In singles play, both contestants pitch from the same platform. After each round, both players move to the opposite platform.
- In doubles play, the first side of contestants alternate pitching bags until each has thrown all four bags. Then the remaining contestants alternate in the same manner until each player has pitched all four bags. This is considered an inning.
- The contestant (or team) who scored in the previous inning shall pitch first in the next inning. If neither pitcher scores, the contestant who pitched second (last) in the preceding inning shall pitch first in the next inning.
- A contestant may deliver the bag from either the right or left pitcher's box, but in any one inning, all bags must be delivered from the same pitcher's box.
- The contestant must deliver the bag within 20 seconds of stepping into the pitcher's box.
- The match shall be played until the first team reaches or exceeds 21 points at the competition of an inning.

Stance:

Whether a player chooses to stand alongside the board with his/her feet firmly planted or elects to stride as he/she tosses the bag, the player's toes must not pass the front edge of the board (foot foul line).

Etiquette:

Contestants shall make no disturbing noises or movements that would distract their opponents. While an opponent is pitching, refrain from talking. Make sure you allow your opponent enough space to comfortably toss the bags.