

Gamestock 18- Cornhole Tournament

Tournament Format

- **Style:** Single-elimination bracket
- **Teams:** 24 total (48 players)
- **Opening Round:** All 24 teams play in the first round (12 matches). Winners advance and losers are eliminated.
- **Bracket Cleanup:** After the opening round, 12 winning teams will remain.
 - A bye will be awarded in the semi-finals (see bracket for details)
- **Progression:** Round of 24 → Quarterfinals → Semifinals → Finals

Team Eligibility

- Both team members must be present at their scheduled time, unless previously communicated with the organizers.
- Players may only participate on one team throughout the tournament.
- Eliminated team members may not join or be substituted on another team for any reason.

Gameplay Rules

Scoring

- Bag in the hole = 3 points
- Bag on the board = 1 point
- Cancellation scoring applies (points offset each round).
- First team to **15 points wins**.
- If no team reaches 15 within **15 minutes**, the higher score wins when time is called.
- If a team scores above 15, their score resets to **11 points**.
- Bags that touch the ground or bounce onto the board must be removed.

Turns

- Each team throws 4 bags per round.
- Players must throw from behind the front edge of the board.
- If time is called mid-turn, the players currently throwing should finish their tosses.

Sudden Death

- If tied at the time cap:
 - Each player throws **one bag** from the same board.
 - Same scoring rules apply.
 - Higher combined score advances.
 - Repeat if score is still tied.
 - If score is still tied after 3 Sudden Death rounds, winner determined by coinflip.
**Coinflip rule does not apply to Semi-Finals or Final Round*

Time Management

**Does not apply to Finals Round*

- Matches are capped at **15 minutes**.
- 5-minute turnover between waves.
- With 4 boards running simultaneously, the tournament should finish in about **2 hours**.
- Games begin promptly by assigned wave.
- **No warm-ups** once the tournament starts.
- Teams must be ready when called. Delays may result in forfeit.

Sportsmanship

- Respect opponents, boards, and officials.
- Tournament Officials decisions are final.
- This is a company event, play competitively but keep it lighthearted. Skill levels will vary.

Housekeeping Notes

- **Start Time:** First round begins at **3:30 PM sharp**. Please arrive on time. Late arrivals may be disqualified.
- **Breaks:** 5-minute breaks between rounds for restrooms and refreshments.
- **Stay Ready:** Teams should remain near their assigned boards to keep the event on schedule.
- **Respect the Flow:** Move on and off the boards quickly so the tournament stays within the 2-hour window.