UTM INTRAMURALS - OPEN BEAN BAG TOSS

RULES AND REGULATIONS

All Bean bag toss rules are set out by UTM Intramurals. Please review the following league rules:

**NUMBER OF PLAYERS**
- Games are played with a minimum 2 players per team
- All teams will have a maximum roster size of 4 players

**DEFAULTS**
- For every minute that a team is late their opponent will be given 2 points towards their total score in the first set
- If a team does not have both players present by 10 minutes past the scheduled time, the team will lose by default
- The default score will be recorded as 3-0

**EQUIPMENT AND UNIFORMS**
- Participants are encouraged to wear running shoes and comfortable clothing
- All bean bag toss equipment (2 boards and 5 colored bean bags) will be provided by the UTM Intramurals
- Boards will be placed on a flat surface, 27 feet apart (front to front)
- Each team pitching boxes are on either side of the board
- The bean bag toss boards are 2ft by 4ft

**LENGTH OF THE GAME AND SCORING SYSTEM**
- All matches shall be played until the first team reaches (or exceeds) 21 points or the highest score after 40 minutes
- All matches are separated by innings of play. Each Inning is comprised of a top and bottom
  - The top of an inning is completed when each team completes 5 consecutive tosses. The board will be cleared and the opponent will complete 5 consecutive tosses to the same bean bag toss board
  - The bottom of the inning is completed when the 2nd member of each team successfully completes 5 consecutive tosses
- Matches will not end in the middle of an inning
  - For Example, if a team that pitches first reaches 21 points, the opponent has the chance to cancel out points. See scoring system section for more details
- Once the game is complete, teams will receive the following points for winning a game:
WIN = 3 points  
TIE = 1 point  
LOSS = 0 points  
DEFAULT = -1 point

OFFICIALS
- All games will be self-officiated by participants
- Game Managers will be present to help with clarifying rules and to be presented the final score

ELIGIBILITY
- Players (including late players) must check-in on the game sheet before every game in order to participate.
- No spectators are allowed on team benches, except for a Registered Coach and/or team captain on the team roster.
- For eligibility rules, please refer to the UTM Intramurals Student Handbook.

PLAY
- To determine who will serve first, teams will select one individual to have a rock, paper or scissors best of 1 game to determine who will serve first.
- The team that does not serve first, will serve first in the second inning and will alternate each inning for the remaining of the game
  - For Example, if Team A pitches 1st in Inning#1, Team B will pitch first in Inning#2, and back to Team A in Inning #3, and so on.
- Team members will stand in opposite bean bag toss pitching area on the same side facing each other
- Each team shall play with five (5) bean bags of one colour
- All players must toss the bean bag with an under-hand release
- Opponents shall toss 5 consecutive before their opponent will be allowed to toss
- Participants who is pitching is to be in the designated team pitchers box
  - Participants are to stay in their designated area outside the pitchers box when not tossing.

SCORING SYSTEM
- All games will be played to 21 points or best score after 40 minutes
- The method of scoring used is “Cancellation Scoring”
  - In cancellation scoring, the points of one player cancel out the points of their opponents at the end of a half inning
- Participants must announce the score at the end of each half inning (top & bottom) inning
- The score at the end of each half inning is the difference of the points scored by each team during that round
I.E. if Team A score 6 points and Team B only scores 4 in the top of the inning, only 2 points will be added to the overall score of Team A and 0 for Team B.

In bottom of the Inning, if Team B scores 12 points and Team A scores 7 points, the score now is 5-2 in favor of Team B.

- The points are awarded as follows:
  - 3 points = for each bag that slides, gets knocked into or falls into the hole
  - 1 point = for each bag that lands and stays on the board
  - 0 points = for the bag hitting the ground/object, on the ground and touching the board or missing the board

SUBSTITUTIONS, FOULS & INFRACTIONS

- Substitutions will not be allowed during the match.
- Teams may select different rostered players for each week, but there can be no substitutions in the middle of a game
- Any bean bags that are tossed and the player has made contact and/or crossed over the foul line will be a foul and the point(s) will not count
- Any bean bag that makes contact with either another object or ground before touching the board will be a foul and the point(s) will not count
- In the case of a disagreement, the matter will be discussed by the team captains.
  - If an agreement cannot be reached, the game managers will make the final decision
- Fighting, verbal slurs and excessive verbal abuse of game managers or toward opponents will not be tolerated.
- An ejection will result in an appearance before the administration staff. NOTE: the minimum penalty for fighting is a minimum one-year suspension.

TIE BREAKING RULES AND PLAYOFFS

- Overtime will only be used for only playoff games if teams are tied at the end of the 40-minute game.
- There are no time limits during the playoff games