



RULES & MANAGER HANDBOOK ADULT BEAN BAG TOSS LEAGUES

Website: www.applevalleymn.gov/beanbags

Weather/Cancellation Line: (952)953-2399, option #1

Location: Apple Valley Community Center, 14603 Hayes Rd

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Apple Valley BEAN BAGS LEAGUES 2022

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Teams of two of any gender will participate in seven weeks of double header matches plus playoffs. Multiple levels of play offer a competitive game for people of all ability levels. Registration and additional information: applevalleymn.gov/beanbags

| Season | Days | Begins | Matches | Register by | Fee |
|----------------|------|--------|-------------|-------------|-----------|
| Winter Indoor | Tues | 1/11 | 14+playoffs | 12/19 | \$45/team |
| Summer Outdoor | Tues | 6/7 | 14+playoffs | 5/22 | \$45/team |
| Fall Indoor | Tues | 10/11 | 14+playoffs | 9/25 | \$45/team |

Location: Indoor Leagues—Apple Valley Community Center
Outdoor Leagues—Valleywood Golf Course

S.O.R.R. BEAN BAG LEAGUE

The South of the River Recreators (S.O.R.R.) have teamed up to offer a traveling bean bag league throughout the summer months. Each week teams of two adults of any gender will travel to a different S.O.R.R. city (Apple Valley, Burnsville, Eagan, Farmington, Lakeville, Rosemount and Savage) for match play. Multiple levels of play will be. The season will include seven weeks of doubleheader matches plus playoffs. Registration and additional information: applevalleymn.gov/beanbags

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| Summer | Wed | 6/1 | 14+playoffs | 5/15 | \$45/team |

Location: Varies—S.O.R.R. Communities



OTHER ADULT ATHLETICS

Apple Valley Parks and Recreation is proud to offer a wide variety of adult athletic leagues including softball, indoor volleyball, sand volleyball, kickball, basketball, ultimate frisbee, soccer, and bean bags.

www.applevalleymn.gov/adultathletics

FREE AGENTS NEEDED

New to the area, haven't played adult sports lately, or can't find a team? We might be able to help! Complete a free agent form.

www.applevalleymn.gov/freeagent

How to Register

- **THREE WAYS TO REGISTER:**
 - **Online:** www.applevalleymn.gov/register
 - **Phone:** 952-953-2300
 - **In-Person:** Apple Valley Community Center, 14603 Hayes Rd

Additional Information: 952-953-2316 AVathletics@applevalleymn.gov www.applevalleymn.gov

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Welcome to the Apple Valley Adult Bean Bag League! We look forward to an excellent season. Attached you will find league rules and other pertinent league information.

Our hope is that you enjoy your experience participating in our leagues. If you have a comment, question, or concern, please feel free to contact me at any time during the season. Feedback from participants is extremely valuable and new ideas and suggestions are always welcome. Please contact the league director at AVathletics@applevalleymn.gov or 952-953-2316.

The Apple Valley Parks and Recreation Department reserves the right to add or change rules at any time for the betterment of all, and make rule exceptions when special circumstances exist.

GAME SITES

- Indoor leagues (fall & winter) are held at the Apple Valley Community Center, 14603 Hayes Rd in the sport court gym.
- Outdoor leagues (summer) are held at Johnny Cake Ridge Park East, 5800 140th St W near the park pavilion.

EQUIPMENT

- Boards will be provided by the league
- Bean bags will be available for teams. Teams may choose to purchase their own, but bags must meet the following regulations:
 - Length: Bags should measure roughly 6"x6" – accepted tolerance is 5.75"-6.25".
 - Weight: Bags should weigh 16 oz – accepted tolerance is 15.5oz-16.25oz.
 - Thickness: Bags should measure 1.25" – accepted tolerance is 1.125" to 1.5".
 - Outside Material may be anything that does not damage or create residue on the board
 - Inside Material must be plastic resin only. No metal or foreign objects including but not limited to copper, lead, aluminum, rocks, BBs etc.
 - Alteration of Bags in any form is not allowed. Alterations include stitching holes, making new seams, gluing, etc.

ROSTERS & ELIGIBILITY

Roster forms are available on the Apple Valley bean bags webpage www.applevalleymn.gov/beanbags as well as the Community Center front desk for indoor leagues and Johnny Cake Ridge Park (JCRP) office for outdoor leagues.

1. **Eligibility:** Teams may be composed of two men, two women or a combination of both. There are no special co-rec rules.
2. **Players may play on multiple teams** in Apple Valley leagues, but may only be rostered on one team per night of play.
3. **Rosters:**
 - a. **Preliminary roster deadline:** Rosters should be submitted prior to the start of your first game. All players must fill out all information and sign the roster before playing.

- b. **Adding players to roster is allowed** is allowed at any point prior to your last regular season game. Ask league staff for your original roster to make changes or additions or fill out an additional sheet to add to your roster.
- c. **Rosters are frozen for playoffs** following the last regular season game; no players may be added. All players listed on the team roster are eligible to participate in the post-season tournaments, regardless of the number (if any) regular season games they played.

INCLEMENT WEATHER & THE WEATHER LINE

Call 952-953-2399, option #1 after 5:00 p.m. This is the official way games are canceled and will be updated immediately when a decision is made.

Weather conditions can change dramatically in a short period of time. If there is a safety concern, a team is never required to play a game, even if the weather line or staff have not cancelled a game. The determination on make-ups, forfeits, etc. can be made at a future time.

LATE ARRIVALS AND FORFEITS

1. **Player limit to play:** A team must have two players to start a game; no team shall start short.
2. **Grace period:** A five-minute grace period is allowed only for first game. After five minutes if the 2nd team is not present the team on site is awarded the 1st game, after ten minutes if the 2nd team has not arrived the team on site is awarded the 2nd game, and after 15 minutes that team is awarded the third game and the match is over. Any time spent waiting for the late team comes off the game time.
3. **Forfeits** are never a positive situation, but are even worse when a team fails to show up for a game and doesn't notify the other team and League Director within a reasonable amount of time. The team manager is responsible for notifying their opponents as well as League Directors if unable to play a scheduled game. If a team has three

ALCOHOL & SMOKING

1. **Alcoholic beverages permitted:**
 - a. Outdoor Leagues: Glass bottles are strictly prohibited anywhere in the park. Any players or fans that have glass bottles in their possession will be asked to leave the park.
 - b. Indoor Leagues: Alcoholic beverages are not allowed inside the Apple Valley Community Center.
2. **Impaired players** who becomes a safety risk to themselves or others will be asked to leave the game and/or park by the umpire or staff.
3. **Smoking** is not allowed in the park.

THE GAME

LEAGUE FORMAT

1. **Match length:** A match will consist of three games to 21 or greater regardless of if one team wins or loses the 1st two games.
2. **Time limit:** There will be a 45-minute time limit per match. If teams are in the middle of a game when the time limit expires, teams shall finish the round and the team that is ahead will win. Any games not started within that time will be considered a tie. Standings are kept by games won, not matches.
3. **Reporting scores:** The winning team should report scores on the provided scoresheet. For indoor leagues, the scoresheet is on a table in the gym. For outdoor leagues, the scoresheet is on a table near the play area. Unreported scores will be entered as a tie.

RULES

1. Two players per team (doubles). Team partners face each other from opposite boards with partners standing on the same side of the board.
2. Distance measured between Foot Foul Edges: 27 feet
3. To start the match, teams shall flip a coin or a bag (seam side points toward winner) to start the first game. The winner of the flip throws first for the first game, and chooses one of the following options:
 - Option #1 - Choose lane assignments (side)
If option #1 is selected, the coin toss winner chooses their lane (side) and takes their positions in the Pitcher's boxes, then the opposing team chooses their own Pitcher's boxes to determine head-to-head matchups.

Option #2 - Choose their opponent to pitch against (head-to-head)

If option #2 is selected, the coin toss loser chooses their lane (side) and takes their positions in the Pitcher's boxes, then the coin toss winner will choose their own Pitcher's boxes to determine head-to-head matchups.

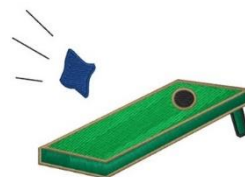
4. For a match's second and third games, the previous game's losing team will toss first and gets the choice of option #1 or #2.
5. Opponents alternate tosses until all eight bags are thrown.
6. The round is then scored (See Scoring).
7. The last team to score on previous round tosses first.
8. Toss again if any interference occurs.
9. Opponents may call Foot Foul and the call must be honored.
10. Indoor leagues: After the last game, please put the covers on the boards & place the boards on the far west wall.
11. Outdoor leagues: After the last game, please place the boards leaning against the JCRPE park building.

SCORING

1. A game is won by the first team to score 21 points or more, in the case of the match time limit expiring, whichever team is ahead. Games can end in a tie. The skunk rule is not used.
2. Bag on the Board = 1 point
3. Bag through the Hole = 3 points
4. Bags that hit the ground prior to landing on the board or going into the hole do not count.
5. Any bag hanging off the board and touching the ground does not count
6. Any bag hanging in the hole counts as 1 point
7. Score is the difference in the team totals. For example, after 1 round of 8 bags is played:
 - a. Team #1 has 1 bag in the hole and 2 bags on the board. $3+2=5$ points
 - b. Team #2 has 2 bags on the board. $1+1=2$ points
 - c. So after that round it would Team #1 leading 3-0 ($5-2+3$ points). The next round, Team #1 would go first because they were the last team to score.
8. Bags pushed in by an opponent's toss count as normal scoring.

STANDINGS & AWARDS

1. **Final regular-season league standings** determine playoff seeds and are based on win percentage. Tie breakers for final standings, in order used: win percentage, fewest forfeits during the regular season, head-to-head competition, head-to-head win percentage; a coin flip.
2. **League awards:** Regular-season determines seeds for the playoffs.
 - a. Regular season champs receive t-shirts for playoff-eligible players on their roster, up to three t-shirts.
 - b. Playoff champs in each division receive a \$30 gift card.
 - c. Playoff runner up in each division receives a \$20 gift card.
3. **Playoffs:**
 - a. Playoffs will begin the week following the last regular-season games and will be completed in one or two evenings, depending on schedule availability.
 - b. Matches might begin earlier than the standard times.
 - c. Players must be on the roster to be eligible for playoffs.
 - d. Matches are best of three games. The first team to win two games wins the match and the remaining games will not be played.
 - e. Game time limits apply.
 - f. Games will be scheduled every 30 minutes assuming some matches will finish quickly.
 - g. Starting games is the same process as the regular season.



LEAGUE PLACEMENT

When the numbers of teams call for it, a league may be split into multiple divisions. As a general rule, where applicable, league winners will move up a league and the last place teams will move down a league. The League Director can make exceptions at their discretion including moving multiple teams up/down or leaving teams in the same league based on a wide variety of reasons and situations. While input from teams is encouraged and taken into consideration, refunds will not be issued to teams who disagree with the division in which they are ultimately placed.