# **Cleveland Cornhole Rules**

Revised on 1/6/22

Below is a list of Cleveland Cornhole Rules. These rules were put into place to ensure the safety and enjoyment of all players. We expect all players and spectators to follow them.

# **Game Play**

• ACL game play rules apply. Below is a link to the ACL official rules. We suggest that everyone read them.

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1QWhUpZIVxVwNU6WUmlga\_pY6XpXufijGqdz92DXGmo4/edit?usp=sharing

- Coin Flip or bag spin to decide side and who throws 1st. Winner gets both.
- Down & Back to start the game
- Teams have 4 minutes from when the notifications are sent out to get to the boards. Any later and the game is subject to forfeit.

# **Bag Policy**

All bags used at any Cleveland Cornhole event must be resin filled. NO CORN FILLED BAGS

• If you don't own a set of resin filled bags. We have bags for sale at all our events.

#### **ACL Events**

As of 1/9/22. Bags are not required to be stamped. Only ACL pros are required to use pro stamped bags at all ACL events.

However, ACL approved bags must be used at all ACL events. Below is a link to the ACL bag policy.

https://mysqlvm.blob.core.windows.net/acl-docs/2022 ACL Bag Policy.pdf

### **Non-ACL Events**

Cleveland Cornhole does not require you to use ACL approved bags in our leagues or other NON ACL events. The bags must meet basic criteria.

Bags must be approx. 6" x 6" and weigh approx 16oz.

# Player Code of Conduct

We expect all players to act in a manner that reflects good sportsmanship.

### **Fighting**

Fighting of any kind will not be tolerated.

**1st offense** - Offenders will be asked to leave and will forfeit that night's games.

2nd offense - Offenders will be removed from the league and or be banned from Cleveland Cornhole events for a set time.

3rd offense - Offenders will be banned from any Cleveland Cornhole events until further notice.

## Cheating

Cleveland Cornhole has zero tolerance for cheating of any kind. If someone is caught cheating you will be banned, until further notice, from **ANY** Cleveland Cornhole Events. Including ACL events ran by Cleveland Cornhole.

Cheating includes but is not limited to

- Losing or not scoring on purpose to try to get a higher seeded partner. This typically happens during the round robin part of ACL swap or Switcholio.
- Manipulating the score while entering it on the tablets. Example: score is 6-6. You put in 12-12. We are relying on the scores being entered correctly. We use the PPR's to place people properly.
- Not being truthful about bags in/on/off. We highly suggest that both teams agree on the score BEFORE any bags are removed.
- Yelling, screaming, or doing anything to intentionally distract your opponent while they are pitching.

If you suspect someone of cheating. We encourage you to make either Kevin or Tony aware of it.

## **Substitutes**

If you or your partner can't make it to league, you must find a sub, or you may end up forfeiting games. We understand that things come up. Contact us as soon as you are aware of any conflicting plans that will interfere with the cornhole league. We'll try to work something out.

• As long as we're made aware ASAP. We will work with players traveling out of town to play in national cornhole events.

Subs are permitted during the league tournament. They must meet our current substitute policy. In addition, you must have two players. Walkers will not be permitted for the league tournament.

Our current Substitute policy is as follows

- Subs must have an equal or lower PPR than the person they are subbing for.
- Players are not eligible to sub if they are playing on the same night. (An exception can be made in emergency situations)
- All subs must be approved by either Kevin or Tony.
  - Any sub not approved BEFORE play begins will not be eligible to play. NO EXCEPTIONS.

#### Walkers

We understand emergencies happen. Under certain circumstances, we will allow a player to be a walker. This will be decided by Kevin & Tony on a case-by-case basis.

• Walkers will not be permitted for the league tournament.

### COVID

If you are forced to miss a week due to COVID. We will try our best to make those games up.

Cleveland Cornhole will continue to follow recommendations from the CDC and the policies of the venues we play at.

We ask that if you test positive, you let us know. That way we can let players you were in close contact with know that they were exposed.

Close contact is defined as within 6' for more than 15 minutes.

# Soliciting

If you're interested in selling or advertising anything at a Cleveland Cornhole event. Please contact us for approval first. Cleveland Cornhole has had a long standing 'no compete' policy. We are more than happy to support our members if it doesn't interfere with our business.

## Vaping

Cleveland Cornhole will follow current ACL & venue policies.

Currently. The ACL has banned all vaping at all ACL events. Including local, regional, open, and national tournaments.

## Housekeeping

We're guests at all the venues we play cornhole. Please show them some respect and pick up after yourself.