

FORMAT: This is a 4 player tournament. The exact format of the tournament will depend on the number of teams that register. All games will be played in the Racquetball Courts inside the Student Recreation Center.

FORFEIT PROCEDURE: If a team fails to show up at the scheduled game time, the opposing team who is present will automatically win the game by forfeit. The team who forfeits will be removed from the tournament.

ROSTERS: Teams must meet the minimum roster requirements by the end of registration in order to be included in the tournament. Roster additions will be allowed through game time.

GAME RULES:

1. Each team must have 4 players to start the game. Teams may have additional players for substitutes.
2. The game begins with all players lined up with at least one hand and one foot touching the back wall of their respective side of the court. Four balls are placed at the center-line. Players are only allowed to retrieve the two balls to their right. Once a ball is retrieved it must be taken behind the attack line before it can legally be thrown. After the ball has been retreated behind the attack line, players are allowed to throw it from anywhere on their side of the court.
3. The object of the game is to eliminate all opposing players by getting them "out". This may be done by:
 - a. Hitting an opposing player with a thrown live ball below the shoulders.
 - i. Head shots: Player will not be ruled "out", unless the contact to the head occurred because of the player moving to avoid the ball
 - b. Catching a ball being thrown by an opponent before it touches the ground. A live ball deflecting off player A remains live only to player A and may only be legally caught by player A.
 - i. A player who catches a live ball thrown by their opponent is allowed to bring an eliminated teammate back into the game.
 - c. Hitting an opposing player with a thrown ball which bounces off one or more side walls only. Once the ball hits the floor, ceiling, or back wall, it becomes dead.
 - d. Hitting a ball out of an opposing player's hand(s) with a thrown live ball.
4. Once a player is "out", they must stand in the corner with their backs to the back wall. Players who are "out" may only use his/her hands or feet to shield themselves from thrown balls. They may not use any part of their body to retrieve a ball, hold a ball, or direct a ball towards a player on his/her that is still in play. If this occurs, one player on that team who is "in" must be ruled "out".
5. A player may not (or will be "out"), have any part of their body cross over the center-line and contact the ground on their opponents' side of the court.
6. Matches will consist of either 15 minutes or the first team to win 5 games, whichever occurs first. If after 15 minutes of play both teams have the same number of wins, one sudden death overtime game will be played.
 - a. Sudden death overtime procedures:
 - i. Each team will choose one player from their team to compete.
 - ii. Each player will start with one ball, and must have one hand and one foot touching the back wall of their respective side of the court.
 - iii. The first player to legally hit his/her opponent will be ruled the winner.
 - iv. If both players are hit simultaneously, and no clear winner can be decided, the procedures will be replayed.
7. All throws must be below the shoulders. Intentionally hitting anyone in the head with a ball is illegal (as well as unsportsmanlike) and the participant who threw the ball will be

declared out. If a player ducks into a thrown, live ball, and gets hit above the shoulders, that player will be ruled "out".

SPORTSMANSHIP: Good sportsmanship is required of all participants. Players, coaches, and spectators are to conduct themselves properly at all times. UConn Recreation reserves the right to suspend or disqualify groups or individuals for unsportsmanlike conduct at any time. Unsportsmanlike conduct before, during, and/or after a game (event) will not be tolerated.

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