

Official BAGGO Rules

- 2 or 4 players (singles or doubles)
- Distance measured between Foot Foul Edges

Distance

8 Feet
12 Feet
15 Feet
18 Feet
20 Feet

Age

2 – 4 years
5 – 8 years
9 - 12 years
13 & over (Social Play)
Tournament Play

- In doubles, team partners face each other from opposite boards
- Each team plays with 4 bags
- Opponents alternate tosses until all 8 bags are thrown
- The round is then scored (See Scoring)
- The last team to score on previous round tosses first
- Toss again if any interference occurs
- Opponents may call Foot Foul and the call must be honored
- In singles or doubles, the losing team has choice of sides for next game

BAGGO etiquette necessitates respect for your opponent. While an opponent is tossing refrain from talking and step back out of his/her view. Only one person or the referee (tournament play) should retrieve bags when the round is completed.

Official BAGGO Scoring

- Winner is first team to score 21 points or more
- 3 points for each bag in the hole (That's a BAGGO!)
- 1 point for each bag on the board is an Ace
- Score is the difference in the team totals

For example:

After 1 round of 8 bags played,

#1 team with 1 bag in the hole = 3 points

#2 team with 2 bags on the board = 2 points

Score for the 1st round for #1 team = 1 point

- Bags pushed in by an opponent's toss count as a BAGGO
- The game is over if the score reaches 11 to Zero (SKUNK)
- If a bag ever touches the ground or is tossed out of turn, it doesn't count

Follow these steps to easily calculate the score:

1. Take away or remove "offsetting or canceling" bags from the board. The net "board" bag or bags are positioned at the bottom of the board.
2. Retrieve the BAGGO, or hole bags, and discard offsetting/canceling bags to the side. The "net" BAGGO, or 3 point bag or bags, are positioned over the hole.
3. The team net round score is calculated by subtracting or adding the points from the board bags and the hole bags.

The Set-Up

Location

- Any reasonably flat surface (indoors or outdoors)
- Playing area should be approximately 10 feet x 30 feet

- Minimum overhead clearance of 8 feet

Assemblage

- Unlatch boards and remove bean bags
- Snap or Lock the front and rear legs into play position
- Place boards on the ground facing each other
- Determine desired distance and add a knot to the Distance Regulator cord
- Slide knot through slot on the front leg of opposite board

The Stance

Whether a player chooses to stand alongside the board with feet firmly planted or elects to stride as he/she tosses the bag, the player's toes must not pass the front edge of the board (Foot Foul Line).

The Toss

BAGGO has a lot in common with golf, bowling and horseshoes. Concentration and follow through are crucial.

- Keep wrist straight but not stiff
- Keep eyes on the target
- Follow through smoothly, aligning arm with the target
- Ideal arc is approximately 8 to 9 feet with a 45° approach angle
- Lower trajectories are desirable in windy conditions or to push in other bags

The Hold

How a player chooses to hold or fold the bag is personal preference. Here are a few favorite folds of BAGGO tournament champions:



Chicago Fold

Hold the corner of the bag, let the filling/particulate drop to the bottom, fold in half and then fold in half again



Paducah Pancake

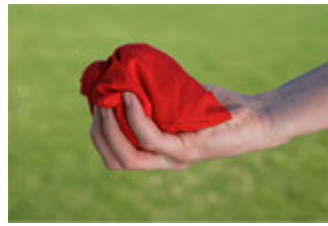
Smooth out the bag and toss underhand

Half Paducah Pancake

Smooth out the bag, fold in half and toss underhand

Sacramento Sling

Hold the bag by a corner between two fingers and toss underhand



Frisco Fling

Hold the bag in the middle of one side, let the filling/particulate drop to the bottom, and toss underhanded with the top of hand upright

The Lingo

ACE – A bag tossed onto the board (1 point)

BAGGO – A bag in the hole (3 points)

BLOCKER - An **ACE** positioned in front of the hole to prevent **SLIDERS**

BACK DOOR - A **BAGGO** tossed over the **BLOCKER** bag

HANGER - An **ACE** on the lip of the hole ready to drop

HONORS - The team that scored last tosses first or has **HONORS** in the next round

FOOT FOUL - Stepping past the front edge of the board while tossing

GROUNDER - A bag on or touching the ground (Zero points)

MARY ELLEN - A tossed bag that falls short of the board

NO BLOOD - A scoreless round

SHOOTER - The person tossing

SLAM – Player makes 4 **BAGGOs** in one round

PUSH - A **BLOCKER** pushed in the hole for a **BAGGO**

SLIDER - A **BAGGO** that slides in the hole

SWISH - A **BAGGO** that goes straight into the hole

SKUNK - An 11-0 game or **ZIP** game