



2019 HOLIDAY CLASSIC BOCCE COACHES PACKET



**2019 Holiday Classic Bocce Tournament
Hickam Softball Field #6, across Luke Dr. from the Bowling Center
Saturday - Sunday, November 23-24**

Saturday (Nov. 23) Schedule – Traditional Bocce Doubles:

10:30 am Check-in (Submit Scratches)
10:45 am Coaches Meeting
11:30 am/ASAP Competition Starts

Time	4 Team Divisions	3 Team Divisions	2 Team Divisions
11:30 am	Game 1	Game 1	Game 1
12:00 pm	Game 2	Game 2	Break
12:30 pm	Game 3	Game 3	Game 2
1:00 pm	Game 4	Break	Game 3 if necessary
1:30 pm	Break	Game 4 - Final	Awards
2:00 pm	Game 5	Awards	
2:30 pm	Game 6		
3:00 pm	Awards		

Sunday (Nov. 24) Schedule – Unified Bocce Doubles:

8:00 am Team Check-in (Submit Scratches)
8:15 am Coaches Meeting
9:00 am/ASAP Competition Starts

Time	4 Team Divisions	3 Team Divisions	2 Team Divisions
9:00 am	Game 1	Game 1	Game 1
9:30 am	Game 2	Game 2	Break
10:00 am	Game 3	Game 3	Game 2
10:30 am	Game 4	Break	Game 3 if necessary
11:00 am	Break	Game 4	Awards
11:30 am	Game 5	Awards	
12:00 pm	Game 6		
12:30 pm	Awards		

Tournament Notes:

1. One Coach from delegation must attend the Coaches Meeting in order to have the “right” to appeal any call or procedure during competition.
2. Teams have been divided into Divisions based on Assessment scores, results of Area/Regional competition, and into age groups of 8-21 and 22+, wherever possible. The team assessment score is determined by the BEST assessment score of either player.

3. Tournament formats for each division are based on the number of teams within that division. Divisions will be made up of 3 to 4 teams whenever possible.
4. The Holiday Classic Bocce Competition will be run according to the 2019 Special Olympics Hawaii Bocce Rules. Copies of the rules have been e-mailed out, are available on-line at <http://sohawaii.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/2019-SOHI-Bocce-Rules-and-Guidelines-Summer.pdf>, and will be available at the main Bocce tent. Athletes, Unified Partners, and Coaches are responsible for knowing the rules and etiquette of the game.
5. Teams/Players will play between 2 to 4 games. Divisions will play all games on the same court.
6. Games will be played with a 20 minute time limit or to 12 points, whichever comes first, to determine the winner. If games reach the 20-minute mark, the frame must be completed. If the score is tied, one more frame will be played to determine a winner.
7. Brackets will be on display at the official's tent. Please check them after each game to make sure that you have your correct team/athletes on the correct court. It is the Head Coaches responsibility to make sure that all teams have been advanced correctly through the bracket.
8. Flow of events:
 - Coaches look at the division brackets in the official tent. Have athletes report to their correct court. Games will begin on time. Teams will forfeit if more than 5 minutes late.
 - If a team causes a game to start late and is leading when the horn sounds, one additional frame will be played.
 - Play begins on the horn/whistle. This usually occurs on the hour and half hour.
 - Play ends on the horn/whistle 20 minutes after the start of the game. A game can end sooner by a team reaching the score of 12. All frames that are started must be completed.
 - If the score is tied at the end of 20 minutes one more frame must be played to determine a winner.
 - Coaches/Unified partners and an Official must sign official scorecard. An athlete will be asked to sign if a coach is not available.
 - All teams will be escorted and staged in the Awards Staging tent AFTER the final game has been played in their division.
9. **If a Traditional Doubles team has a scratch, the only eligible alternates are athletes who competed in Singles at Area/Regional competition. This newly formed team will be divisioned at the discretion of the Head Bocce Officials. If two teams from the same delegation have a scratch, the teams may be combined, and will be placed in the division of the higher of the two teams. If a Unified Doubles team has a scratch, the team will be scratched from competition. If two Unified Doubles teams from the same delegation have a scratch and the remaining players consist of one athlete and one partner, this team may compete and will be placed in the division of the higher of the 2 teams.**
10. **If a Traditional Doubles team has a scratch, but no alternates are available, the remaining athlete may immediately enter Singles competition.**
11. Foul lines are 10 feet inside the court. Only the player that is rolling will be allowed within that space. One warning is given at the first violation of the foul line to both teams; all other violations will result in the ball that was rolled being declared dead and removed from the court.
12. Scorecards: Coaches/Unified Partners are responsible for signing each scorecard at the end of play to verify that the scores and teams are correct. Both the winning and the losing teams must sign.

13. Only registered coaches are allowed in the roped off competition area. Coaches are only allowed to stand in the coaches "box" at each court. The coaches' box is on the side of the court between the end line and the foul line. Coaches may move end to end from frame to frame. Once play begins, coaches may not assist athletes verbally or physically. Only pre-authorized coaches may assist athletes in and out of court, but may not position athletes at the foul line. This modification will be listed on the back of the athlete's nametag and information written on the bracket. Athletes must proceed into position on the court on their own or with the help of their teammate. Spectators must stay behind the identified boundary of the courts. Verbal coaching is not allowed from coaches or spectators. Coaches and/or spectators will be given one warning for coaching. If coaching continues, their team may be penalized by losing the frame, and ultimately, forfeiting the game.
14. During competition, conversation between teams should be limited to brief complimentary remarks regarding the game only. Conversation when on the same team can take place when both players are outside of the court. Once 1 player enters the court, communication must end.
15. All teams will receive awards with their division after the Championship game in their division.
16. For Short Court Singles and Short Court Unified Doubles a lighter weight bocce ball set will be used on a court which is approx. half as long. Modified devices may be used with prior approval from the Sports Director. Coaches may provide physical assistance to athletes competing or using assistive devices in Short Court competition, but may not give the athlete a competitive advantage, including assisting with the delivery of the Bocce ball. No coaching directions can be given.

Rule Changes, Additions, or Clarifications to the 2018 and 2019 Fall Bocce Rules

Section A.4 – Emphasizes that a Head Coach for Unified teams may not play as a Partner. **Section A.5** – A link to all Coaches Certification and Class A Volunteers information has been provided. **Section B** - 2019 Deadlines and Dates have been updated. **Section D** – Bocce Singles has been added as an event to accommodate delegations with an odd number of athletes. Various additions to the rules have been added regarding Bocce Singles. **Section F.2,3** – Clarifies Coaches Areas and clarifies that no coaching is allowed during competition. **Section J.1.f** – Clarifies that it is recommended that a player enter the court holding only the ball about to be played, but that this is not a rule, and there is no penalty. **Section J.3** – Explains all scenarios at both Area and State level for scratches, alternates, and moving athletes from Singles to/from Doubles.

Reminders of Rule Changes, Additions, or Clarifications to the 2017 SOHI Rules

Section G.2 – Closed Toe Shoes/Sneakers must be worn. **Section J.5.a.1** – Penalties will be assessed by officials. Penalties cannot be declined.

Reminders to Rule Changes, Additions or Clarifications from the 2016 SOHI rules:

Section J.1.c – The pallina must come to rest between the Center Line and Opposite Foul Line and cannot be touching either line. Additionally, if neither team successfully delivers the pallina, it will be placed at the 40-foot mark. (10 ft. past the Center Line). **Section J.5.b.1 and Section K.5** – A player's foot, or assistive device cannot touch or go over the foul line during delivery.

Tournament Formats:

Teams will be placed into Divisions of 3 or 4 teams. Tournament formats are as follows, depending on the number of teams in the division. 2 Team Divisions may occur due to scratches.

2 Team/Player Division: Teams play each other twice. If one team wins both games, they will go to awards, if the games are split 1-1, then they will play a championship game. This format happens rarely and only if a larger division can't be created.

3 Team/Player Division: Each team plays the other two teams (Round Robin). Teams are then ranked by record. The first and second ranked teams after the round robin will play in the Final. If all 3 teams are tied in record, teams will be ranked based on point differential and a semi-final will be played by the second and third ranked teams. The winner will play the first ranked team in the Final.

4 Team/Player Division: Teams will play a modified double elimination tournament. Teams will advance to the Final through the Winners and Losers bracket. Once teams reach the Final, records are thrown out and the winner of that match takes first place.

Tiebreakers:

If after the round robin two teams are tied in record, the winner of their head to head game has the higher rank. If 3 teams are tied – records among tied teams are considered first, then point differential of the games played against each other are used to determine the rankings. If a team has a forfeit against another tied team they will automatically fall to the bottom of the rankings among tied teams.

Sample Schedules:

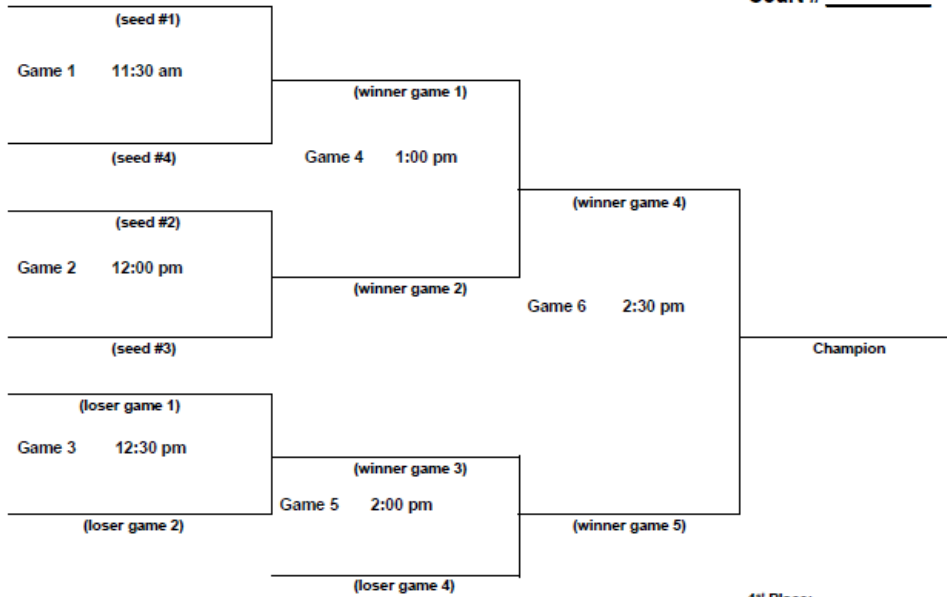
See Sample schedules/brackets below for 3 and 4 team Traditional and Unified divisions.

(Please note that Singles and Short-Court Singles will follow the Traditional Doubles schedule and Unified Short-Court Doubles will follow the Unified Doubles schedule):

**Special Olympics Hawaii
4 Team Bocce Tournament Bracket**

Event: _____

Court # _____



1st Place: _____

2nd Place: _____

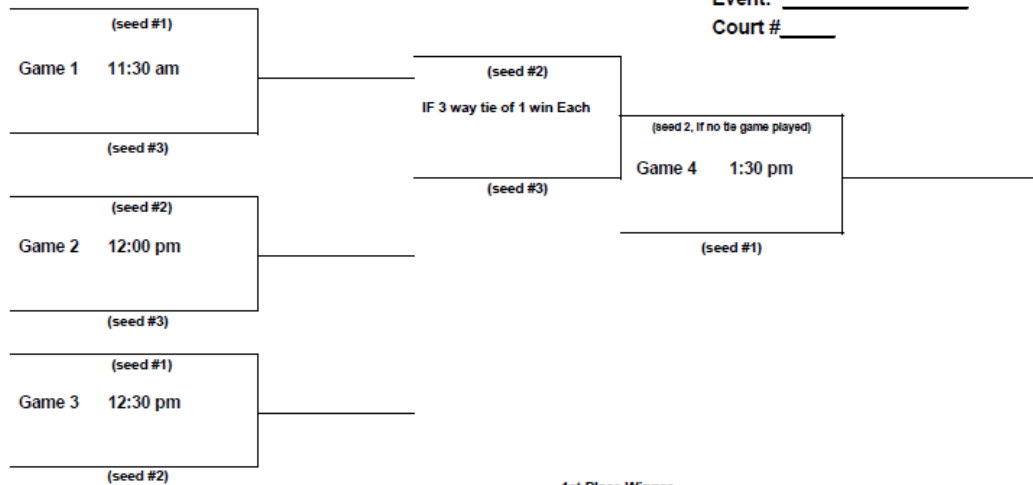
3rd Place: _____

4th Place: _____

**Special Olympics Hawaii – Holiday Classic
3 Team Bocce Tournament Bracket**

Event: _____

Court # _____



1st Place Winner _____

2nd Place Winner _____

3rd Place Winner _____

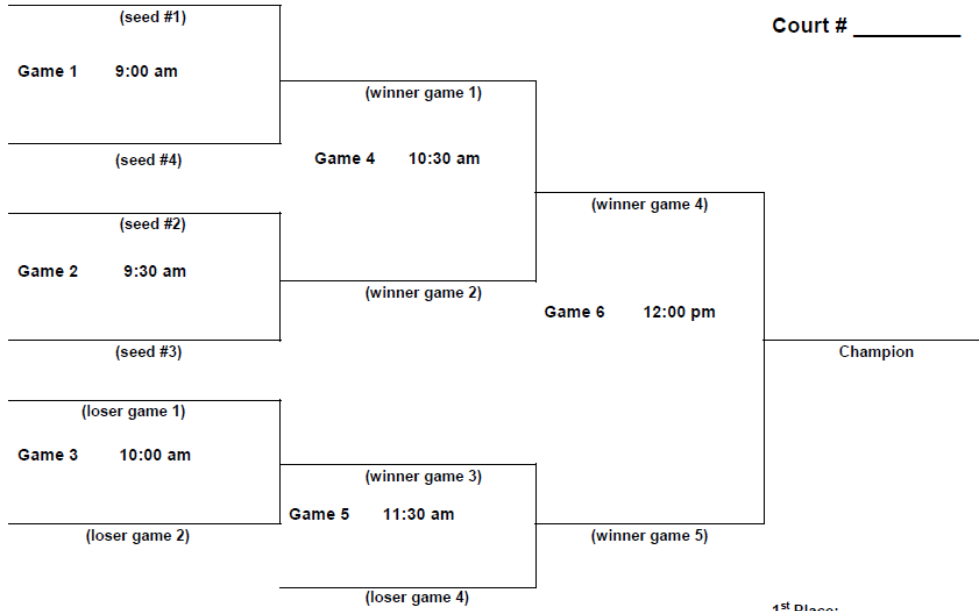
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<u>Name</u>	<u>Win</u>	<u>Loss</u>	<u>Point Diff.</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

If there is a team with no Win's, they will receive 3rd place and the other 2 teams will play a Championship playoff game. If all 3 teams end with a tied number of Wins of 1 each, we will play a 3rd place game and then move into a Championship game. They will be ranked by point differentials and if that is tied, head to head competition.

**Special Olympics Hawaii
4 Team Bocce Tournament Bracket**

Event: UNIFIED

Court # _____

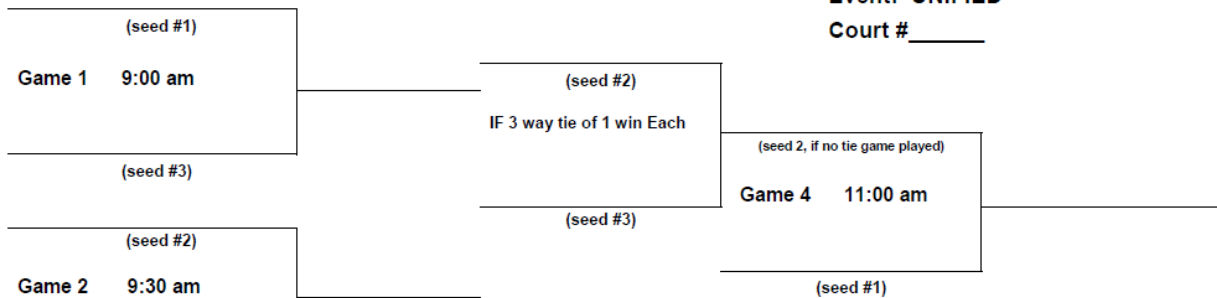


1st Place: _____
 2nd Place: _____
 3rd Place: _____
 4th Place: _____

**Special Olympics Hawaii
3 Team Bocce Tournament Bracket**

Event: UNIFIED

Court # _____



1st Place Winner _____
 2nd Place Winner _____
 3rd Place Winner _____

<u>Standings</u>			
<u>Team</u>	<u>Win</u>	<u>Loss</u>	<u>Points</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

If there is a team with no Win's, they will receive 3rd place and the other 2 teams will play a Championship playoff game. If all 3 teams end with a tied number of Wins of 1 each, we will play a 3rd place game and then move into a Championship game. They will be ranked by points scored and if that is tied, head to head competition.

Directions to Bocce Competition: If entering through the Hickam Main Gate (O'Malley). Go straight under the bridge and take your first right. You will circle onto the bridge; get into the left hand lane and straight onto Kuntz Ave. Take a Right after passing the Bowling Center onto Luke Dr. Take your first left into the Parking lot for the Softball Fields. Bocce Competition will be on the first field on the left.

