

St. Louis Senior Olympics

Bocce Rules

1. The game is played by two players.
2. Two sets of balls (four to a set) with 4 different markings, 4 to each player of each team.
3. A ninth small ball called "Boccin" is used.
- 4a. The game is played on an open field or a special court with proper enclosures. Dimensions are usually 10'x60'. (St. Louis Senior Olympics is 10'x50'.)
- 4b. Scorekeeper throws boccin and each player throws one ball – closest person starts.
5. The initial throw (little ball) must land no less than 5 feet away from the backboard and past the colored tape.
6. The member tossing the little ball follows with a throw to try to get as close to the little ball as possible.
7. A member of the other team then tries to get the point by getting closer to the little ball than the competition. Failure to do so require that same team to continue until point is gained, using the remaining balls.
8. The number of balls of same marking close to little ball designates points made (4) maximum game points 12.
9. The game continues from opposite end of court, the team gaining the point or points has the right to throw little ball any place on court and follows with a ball to get as close as possible.
10. Player that is ahead in points throws the boccin to start the round.
11. Procedures follow back and forth on court until the team with 12 wins.
12. Over 15 minutes late is a default.

TIE BREAKER

- 1) Head to Head Competition
- 2) Most Games/ Sets Won
- 3) Most Points Scored