

SIMPLIFIED BOCCE RULES

Object of game

- ❖ The goal in bocce ball is to get your colored ball closest to the target “pallino” ball, which is the small white ball.
- ❖ This might require simply rolling the ball toward the pallino, knocking an opponent’s ball out of the way, or precisely aiming your ball between the other balls in play without moving them.

Team

- ❖ A team consists of four (4) members with two on each side of the court

Start

- ❖ Coin toss
- ❖ Winner can choose either taking the pallino and throwing first or the ball color
- ❖ The pallino must go past the white line
- ❖ The pallino cannot go past the red line
- ❖ The pallino must be at least 12 inches from the side
- ❖ If any of the above happens the other team gets to throw the pallino

Scoring

- ❖ One point awarded for your team’s ball closet to the pallino (max of 4 points)
- ❖ If it cannot be determined by visual inspection which ball is the closet a measurement is done
- ❖ The first team to score eleven (11) points wins

Court

- ❖ Only two on the court (one from each team) at any time for measuring
- ❖ Opposing team shooter may stand on the court behind the shooter if no objection from other team
- ❖ Shooter, only, may cross the white line if he/she cannot see where the pallino is

For more comprehensive information on the rules, you can go to the documents section of the SCA Bocce web page