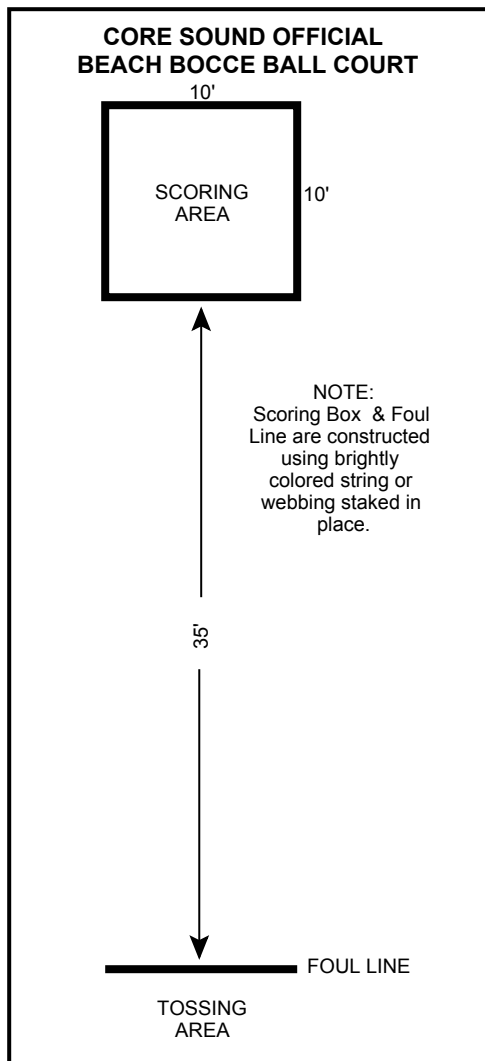


# CORE SOUND BEACH BOCCE BALL

## OFFICIAL RULES



- For beach play, plastic eight ball bocce ball sets are recommended. A set with four colors, two balls each color and a "jack" (smaller white ball) is ideal.

- Two, three or four individuals can play (two balls each), two teams of two each (two balls each player), or three or four teams (one ball each player).

- Determine which team or individual starts, or "owns the jack", by coin toss, "paper / stone / scissors", fist fight, etc.

- Start game by the selected player tossing the jack from behind the foul line into the scoring area. The same player, then plays his first ball. If this player fails to place the jack in-play, then the next player / team attempts. The winner of a round owns the jack, and the next round is started in the same manner as the game started.

- Balls and the jack are considered in-bounds if they are inside the scoring box, and no part of the ball or jack extend beyond the scoring box boundary markings (string or webbing). Out of bounds can thus occur by a ball or jack appearing to be in-bounds, not touching the boundary marker but actually extending beyond the marker.

- Balls may be played by a toss, throw or roll from a point behind the foul line and into the scoring area. It is allowed to hit and move other balls and the jack. Balls that were played, and did not rest within the scoring area, can be moved into the scoring area by the contact of another ball.

- The players each play one ball per rotation. Scoring is determined after all players have played both their balls. The closest ball to the jack scores one point. Any other balls from that player or team that are closer than the closest ball from another player or team, is also awarded one point. If a ball is in actual contact with the jack when playing is complete, that ball is awarded three points. The winning player or team of a round "owns the jack", and has the honor of placing the jack in play to start the next round.

- Games are normally played to 16 points, winning team leading by two or more points.

- If, during the course of play, a ball hits and moves the jack out of bounds, the round is stopped, the opposing players or teams are awarded a point. The jack ownership transfers to the next player or team in the rotation.

- In the likely event that a situation arises not covered by the above rules, make something up, give it a try, and let the International Core Sound Beach Bocce Ball Rules Committee (that's me, [harry@preddy.com](mailto:harry@preddy.com)) know how it worked out. Serious consideration will be given to most rule change recommendations.