

PAPER FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT OFFICIAL RULES



GAME PLAY:

The primary activity of the game is to slide the paper football across the field by flicking the ball with your thumb and finger. Opponents play one round of rock, paper, scissors to determine who gets first possession of the ball. Start with the paper football flush against the edge of the table in front of you. Each player gets four chances to flick the ball to their endzone on the opponent's side of the table to score a touchdown. If the ball goes out of bounds or falls off the table at any point, possession is transferred to the opponent, and the ball starts at their edge of the table.

SCORING:

A team scores points by the following plays:

- **TOUCHDOWN** A touchdown is worth six points, as in American football. A touchdown is scored when a player advances the ball such that it comes to rest with part of the ball extending over the edge the opponent's end of the table without falling to the ground. If the ball falls to the ground, possession is transferred to the opponent and the ball starts at their edge of the table.
- EXTRA POINTS Following a touchdown, the scoring player kicks a field goal for one extra point. The kicker holds the football between the table and their finger, and flicks the ball through the air with their other hand. The opponent holds his fingers in the goalpost position (thumbs touching with pointer fingers up in the air, wrists resting on the table). The attempt is successful as long as the center of the ball travels through the imaginary area over the bottom fingers and between the uprights, even if the ball bounces off the uprights (but continues through the scoring area) in the process.
- SCORE TRACKING Players are responsible for tracking the score of their own match.

WINNING:

Each game is played for five minutes, with a five minute break between each round. At the end of the five minutes of play, the player with the most points will move onto the next round. The tournament is set up in a double-elimination manner, so the losing player should check the bracket for their next game.

In the case of a tie at the end of the five minutes of play, a tiebreaker field goal kicking competition will take place. Players will take turns kicking field goals until one player misses. The opposing player will then make a final attempt at a field goal. If they score, they win the match. If they miss, the tiebreaker continues.

SPORTSMANSHIP

- Good sportsmanship is required! We're all here to have fun and enjoy great beer!
- Each game only lasts five minutes, so please maintain the rate of play throughout the entire game and refrain from delaying the game in any way.
- Staff will be on hand to answer questions about rules, but players will need to act as their own referee during gameplay. Please be honest and respectful.