

# **ABRIDGED RULES-HORSESHOES - Page 1**

## **GUIDING BODIES**

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## **EVENTS**

Singles: Full Distance (40 foot) Unisex: 18+  
    “A” Division  
    “B” Division  
    “C” Division

Singles: Short Distance (30) foot  
    Men: 70+  
    Women: Open

Doubles: Full Distance (40 foot) Unisex: 18+  
    “A” Division  
    “B” Division  
    “C” Division

## **FACILITY**

Clay based horseshoe courts as per NCHPA regulations

## **EQUIPMENT**

Horseshoes: Extra pitching shoes (two sets) shall be provided by host. Competitors must supply their own horseshoes.

Bracket Board: A large bracket Board will be maintained and visible to the competitors so that they will know when and who they play next. If computer, stats are available player print outs will be provided.

## **BRACKETING FOR ALL EVENTS:**

Round Robin Pool Play.

A separate, Round Robin play in each division, will take place for Medals.

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## **SCHEDULING**

The tournament is a two day event. The singles tournament should be held on the first day and the doubles event will be held on the second day. A third day may be necessary during world game competition if, player participation warrant's it.

## **SCORING**

A regulation game shall consist of forty (40) shoes pitched. A game is divided into innings and each inning constitutes the pitching of two shoes by each competitor. The points shall be scored according to the shoes at the innings end after the contestants have each thrown two shoes.

Ringer credit shall be given on the same basis.

The winner of points shall call the result. In case of a tie, the contestant pitching last shall call.

Closest to the stake	1 point
Two shoes closer than the opponent's scores	2 points
One ringer scores	3 points
Two ringers scores	6 points
One ringer and closest shoe of the same player scores	4 points
Player having two ringers vs. one for the opponent scores	3 points
When each player has one ringer, the next closes shoe scores	1 point

All equals count as ties. A leaning shoe has no value over one touching the stake.

**DOUBLES SCORING:** Partners' points are added together.

## **GENERAL SPORTS RULES for HORSESHOES**

The player having the first pitch in a designated inning shall pitch two shoes in succession before the other player pitches two shoes.

The player scoring points shall pitch first in the next inning. In case of no score, the player who pitched last shall pitch first in the next inning.

Ties: Tie games shall be broken by pitching as many innings as necessary to determine a winner. If there is a tie for a medal, the winner will be determined based on ringer percentage.

**DOUBLES GAMES:** Two team players will, pitch from opposite ends of the court against the opposing team. An inning is complete when all four players have pitched two shoes.