

Official Beer Pong Tournament Rules – CJ's Sports Bar & Grill

Game Setup: The cup formation is 10 per team. The starting formation is a “tight triangle” with rims touching pointing towards the opposite side. Cups must not be tilted or leaned against the surrounding cups. 24 oz. of water will be used per team and will be distributed evenly in the cups. These water cups are not for consumption, they are to be reused every round unless knocked over. Then it will be replaced by the CJ's staff.

Playing the Game: First possession will be determined by a coin flip by the Beer Pong Officials. Each team will get two (2) shots for each turn, one shot per team member. The ball in play may be grabbed, however ONLY after it has already made contact with a cup, but not while the ball is in the cup. You may not grab before the ball has hit a cup. In the event of player interference prior to the ball making contact with a cup, a one-cup penalty will be imposed for the interference. The thrower who had his or her shot interfered with may choose the cup to be removed. Players are allowed to let their shots bounce off the table before making it into the cup. Bounce-shots may not be interfered with until they have made contact with a cup. It should be noted that bounce-shots do NOT count for two cups. Balls may be interfered while inside the cup. Girls are allowed to blow the ball out of the cup, guys are allowed to scoop using their fingers. However, this must be done PRIOR to the ball touching the water in the cup. If the cup is knocked over during this defensive move, then the cup will be removed from the game in favor of the team that threw the ball. Cups must be reformed at 6, 3, and 1 cups remaining in a triangular formation. Racks must be aligned to the center of the table. When one cup is remaining, the cup shall always be pulled back to within an inch of the end of the table and in the center of the table. Cups that drift out of position may be reformed, but only at the request of the thrower. Cups should be removed as soon as they are hit. It is the responsibility of the shooting team to wait until a hit cup is removed to take their next shot. If a team shoots while the opposing team is reforming or in the process of removing a cup and the ball goes in a cup, it will not count. If the ball lands and stays on top of the cup, it'll count as a miss. If your cup is sunk by the opposing team, one member of your team must drink some of their alcoholic beverage. All alcoholic beverages must be purchased through CJ's Sports Bar & Grill on the day of tournament. Alcohol is not covered in the registration cost. This must be purchased by the player. Players can alternate turns on drinking the alcohol when their cup is sunk. Players may not be inebriated pass the point of the TABC regulations or to the judgment of the CJ's officials. If they do, they will be disqualified.

Distractions: They are permitted with the following restrictions (subject to a one cup penalty.) Players may not cross the plane of play and this is up to the CJ's Official. The official may also offer a warning. Players may not fan, blow or otherwise intentionally create an air current surrounding the cups. Players may not approach the opposing team members in an unsportsmanlike manner. Players and spectators may not visually block cups from opposing players. Any foul play, according to the CJ's official, will be disqualified. If TEAM1 knocks over one of its own cups, then TEAM1 loses that cup. However, if TEAM2 does not realize TEAM1 knocked over their cup, then TEAM1 may keep that cup.

Ending the Game: As soon as the last cup is hit, the opposing team has the opportunity to try and bring the game into overtime. If the opposing team has more than 2 cups remaining, they cannot rebuttal because they only have 2 ping pong balls, therefore will not be make more than 2 cups. If they have 1 or 2 cups remaining they get 2 shots total to tie the game. If the game is tied, then the teams go into overtime. Overtime is a 3 cup tight triangle formation. The dominant team (the team which would have won had their opponents not redeemed) selects which side shoots first.

There will be a \$300 Grand Prize awarded to first place at the end of the Beer Pong Tournament. Only if there are a minimum of 32 teams signed up. If there are less teams there will still be a cash prize, but the total amount will be determined by the events management staff. If there are more than 32 teams, the prize fund may not increase.

Participants must be 21 years of age or older. Valid ID will be required at registration. Cost is \$20 per team of 2 players. All rules are subject to change only by the events management team.