

Horseshoes

Participants should be aware that Crokinole is not an event in the Ontario 55+ Games, however the following is an example of rules that could be tried at the District or Regional level. The winners of those events do not move on to another level unless it is offered at Regional Games.

A) FORMAT OF PLAY – DOUBLES

Division	Age Category	Number of Participants
Men	55+	Two (2)
Women	55+	Two (2)
Mixed	55+	Two (2)

Participants may compete in only one division at Ontario 55+ Summer Games.

Any persons not present at the scheduled commencement of play and throughout the competition are in default and are automatically disqualified from the competition.

Competitors are obligated to complete competition regardless of their record thus far in the competition. If a competitor defaults part way through the competition, the results of that competitor will be removed from the standings.

B) TOURNAMENT SET-UP

1. Play will be Round Robin format, followed by a playoff, if time permits
2. If possible, playoffs will consist of a Medal Round and a Consolation Round. The split will be determined by the number of teams participating. No more than 8 teams will qualify for the Medal Rounds.
3. The provincial playoffs will have a minimum of 80 shoes (40 each) for the finals.
4. The number of courts available and the number of teams entered will determine the number of points per game and the number of games per match so that the round robin and playoffs can be completed in the allotted time.

Determining the Winners

1. In the Round Robin, the winning team in any game will be awarded **two (2)** tournament points. The losing team will receive **zero (0)**. In the case of a tie, **one (1)** tournament point will be awarded to both teams.
2. Placings in the Round Robin will determine seeding for the playoff format.
3. If at the conclusion of the Round Robin, there is a tie for placings, the following procedure will be used to break the tie:
 - a. Results of head to head games;
 - b. If necessary, the points scored for divided by the points scored against with the highest quotient winning;
 - c. If necessary, then an extra game of four(4) innings should be played between the teams that are tied

C) AWARDS

Gold (6)	One per team member per division
Silver (6)	One per team member per division
Bronze (6)	One per team member per division

D) RULE SOURCE

Official rules of Horseshoe Canada will apply, with the exceptions listed under “Tournament Set- Up” and

Websites

www.horseshoeontario.com - (see Rules of Play under menu)

www.horseshoecanada.ca

E) EVENT REQUIREMENTS

- Equipment**
1. Players are allowed to bring their own horseshoes to District Games and OSGA Ontario 55+ Summer Games provided they are regulation.
- Facilities**
1. Layout of a Court: A court will occupy a level area of at least 50 feet (15.24 metres) in length (in a north-south direction if possible) by at least ten (10) feet (3.05 metres) in width and consists of two pitchers boxes, each six (6) feet (1.83 metres) square with a stake in its exact centre. The pitchers boxes shall be located in such a manner that their front edges are parallel and the stakes are 40 feet (12.19 metres) apart in the middle of the total area.
 2. The pit should be free of growth and suitably soft enough to make it acceptable for competition.
 3. The sand in the pit should be of consistent height and level at the beginning of the competition.

F) OFFICIALS

The OSGA requires at minimum the following major officials for OSGA Ontario 55+ Summer Games:

For District Games, the following are only a suggestion. Participation numbers and availability of volunteers may result in fewer officials being required. Districts are encouraged to try to have the necessary officials to run the event successfully.

- A) One (1) Activity Convenor
- B) Two (2) Judges
- C) One (1) Scorekeeper for each pit

The host committee will ensure that all major officials have the required qualifications as specified by the OSGA at least one (1) year prior to OSGA Ontario 55+ Summer Games. The host committee is also responsible for any other officials required to host this event.

Horseshoe Rules Summary

1. Cancellation Method of scoring shall be used.
2. Men aged 65 and over and all women will have the option of throwing from 30 or 40 feet. (9.14 or 12.19 metres).