

# BOOTLEGGERS



## Axe Throwing Rules

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**Our Axe throwing lanes are caged for your safety. Do not hold fencing or put your fingers through the fencing at any time. Severe injury could happen if an axe accidentally swipes the fencing. This is a mandatory rule for both throwers and spectators.**

**You will be instructed by your axe coach in safety guidelines, throwing technique and the structure of play upon your arrival.**

**Rough housing & Horseplay-** We ask that all participants behave in a responsible manner. We are here to have fun, but safety must come first! Our staff will issue warnings for any unreasonable behavior. Repeated warnings may result in removal from the throwing lane and/or the premises.

**Alcohol-** We ask that you arrive for your event alert and free from the influence of any substances, including alcohol. During your time with us please drink responsibly. We believe enjoying alcoholic beverages during your sporting event is both possible and safe when done responsibly and in moderation. Drinking to excess puts the safety of yourself and others at risk. Please be aware that arrival under the influence or excessive consumption during the event WILL result in removal from the throwing area and/or the facility by our staff. Should this occur, please realize that they are doing so not only for your safety but for the safety of others in your group and the staff.

### **AGE RESTRICTIONS**

Participants must be 16+ years of age, and anyone under 18 must be accompanied by an adult.

Note that if our staff has reason to doubt the capabilities of a any participant to throw an axe safely, they will not allow it.

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## **WHAT TO WEAR**

For safety all participants are required to wear closed- toed shoes when throwing axes.

There are no clothing restrictions, but we recommend comfortable loose-fitting tops as you will be moving your upper body.

## **FOOD + DRINKS**

No food or drinks are allowed in the axe throwing cages.

Our staff has the right to remove a participant from throwing axes (or from the premises) at any time if they suspect a participant is intoxicated or posing a safety threat.

## **AXES**

We do not permit use of outside axes or weapons due to our insurance policy. You must use what we provide, but don't worry – you'll love our axes!

## **BLACK THROW LINE**

Participants must have their back foot behind the black throw line for their throw to count. You can step forward past this line with your other foot.

## **BLACK SAFETY LINE**

Participants cannot cross the red safety line while axes are in play.

## **WOOD SAFETY LEDGE**

Spectators and participants not currently throwing axes must stay outside of the cages and away from the cage openings while axes are in play.

## **THROWING**

Each caged arena has 2 target lanes, each lane has 1 target. Both lanes must throw before either lane can move forward to retrieve their axes.

Never throw an axe until both throwers in your cage arena are back behind the throwing line. Participants may not "delay" in throwing the axe in hopes that opponent's axe may fall out of the target or use delays for strategic advantage.

## **RETRIEVING AXES**

After both axes are thrown, participants are permitted to cross the

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throwing/safety line to retrieve their axes. If your axe sticks, pull it down and against the target first, then out to unstick it.

## **WAIVER FORMS**

All participants must sign a waiver before participating, and participants under the age of 18 must have a parent or guardian sign a waiver for them.

## **AXES**

Every axe is inspected for damage prior to each event, and blades are maintained and sharpened enough to stick to the target.

## **TARGETS**

The wood targets are sprayed with water to ensure the axes stick and to reduce splitting and chipping. They are made of quality American pine boards and will be replaced when they become worn out.

## **LANES**

Fencing divides our lanes to ensure throwers and axes are contained. Only the 2 throwers and the axe throwing coach are allowed inside the cage at one time.

Thank you for your understanding and your commitment to SAFETY.

The staff, management and owners of Bottleggers Axe Co.

**Throw safe**

**Be safe**

**Have a great time**