

## **Official Rules of Ladder Ball**

Ladder ball, is played with 2-4 players, consisting of 2 teams. Each player has 3 golf ball bolas, which are 2 golf balls attached by a nylon rope. The color of the bolas is indicated by the player. The object of ladder ball is to toss the bolas in an underhanded fashion while trying to wrap the bolas around the steps of the lawn or ladder golf set. The lawn golf set consists of 3 steps or tiers: Top, middle, and bottom.

### ***Playing Ladder Ball***

**Toss Line:** The player must stand 15 feet away from the ladder ball stand

**Rounds:** Ladder ball is played in rounds, with each round consisting in tossing 3 bolas. A shootout is used to decide which player goes 1st over a 1 round scenario, with the winner achieving the highest score. The players proceed to toss the bolas in alternating fashion until the round is over. Bolas can be tossed in any underhanded fashion, as long as they are tossed individually and may be bounced off the ground. The winner of the round earns the 1st toss for the next round.

### **Ladder Ball Scoring:**

***All Games are played to an exact point total of 21!***

In order to win, a player or team must achieve an exact total of 21 points before the other player or team after the round is completed. If both teams happen to tie at 21 points in the same round, a playoff tiebreak occurs and a win by 2 scenario is enabled. If a player goes over 21, that player or team's score goes back to 13.

After all teams have tossed their bolas, the score is determined by the amount of bolas hanging from the rungs. Players can knock off other bolas or place their bolas on the same rung to cancel out the opponents score. Only bolas that are left hanging on the rungs, without the existence of your competitor's bola, are counted as points.

## Ladder Ball Points

Points are determined by which rung your bolas land on. The top rung is worth 3 points, middle rung is 2 points, and bottom rung is worth 1 point. Players can score additional bonus points by landing all 3 bolas on the same rung or on each rung (1-2-3). The highest possible score in a single round is 10.

**-Hat Trick:** A hat trick occurs when the player lands all three bolas on a single rung without any of your opponent's bolas on the same rung. When a hat trick occurs, an additional point is given. For example, a player lands all three of the bolas on the bottom rung. That is 3 points total, also earning the bonus 1 point for 4 total points in the round.

**\*\*Example:** If you toss 3 of your bolas on the top rung, yet your opponent tosses 1 of their bolas on the top rung, you only get credit for 6 points. But, if you land all 3 bolas on the top rung without your opponent's bolas on the top rung, you receive 9 points, plus 1 bonus point for a total of 10.