

Balloon Federation of America



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Balloon Golf 2018

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Easy as 1, 2, 3!



1

PLAN IT!

Plan your flight before launch to include one or more PDG. Have your crew layout an X, cone, or hat. Or simply declare a location as a point of reference for measuring, e.g. the SW corner of parking lot. The PDG must be a minimum of 1 mile from the launch position or any other goal.

2

FLY IT!

Fly to your goal and drop a marker as close to the declared point as possible. Have a crew member measure the result. Or mark the result for the pilot to come measure later.

3

SCORE IT!*

Fill out a Balloon Golf Scorecard with your result. After you complete 9 tasks send your scorecard into the HACD and see your score on the leaderboard. The leaderboard ranks pilots by both the number of tasks completed and then by the cumulative score (lowest is best). GOOD LUCK!

Send completed scorecards to BalloonGolf@gmail.com or
BFA Office P.O. Box 400 Indianola, IA 50125

*Participants must be BFA HACD members in good standing to be on the leaderboard

Scorecard



BFA HACD Balloon Golf



Round: _____

Target	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Total
Measurement										X
Score										
Date										X

Pilot: _____

BFA Number: _____

Signature: _____

How to Score Your Result:

- Pong (-4): less than 3ft
- Double burner (-3): 3-15ft
- Burner (-2): >15-30ft
- Whisper (-1): >30-75ft
- Equilibrium (0): >75-105ft
- Porous (+1): >105-150ft
- Double Porous (+2): >150-180ft
- Triple Porous (+3): >180+ft

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DISCLAIMER - because we have to!

The Balloon Federation of America offers this set of competition rules for aeronauts who are interested in competitive ballooning. These rules are designed to afford balloonists the opportunity to participate in Balloon Golf while observing the principles of sportsmanship and the mandates of the Federal Aviation Regulations (FAR's).

These rules are only examples to be used by persons who are interested in exploring Balloon Golf. While these rules have been developed by the BFA, they are no substitute for well-reasoned pilot decision making by pilots in command of lighter-than-air craft. Likewise, they are not intended as a substitute for the Federal Aviation Regulations with which competing pilots should be totally familiar.

These competition rules do not grant participating pilots the right to contravene FAR's, including minimum safe altitudes.

THESE RULES ARE OFFERED BY THE BALLOON FEDERATION OF AMERICA, WITHOUT CHARGE TO THE USER, ONLY AS A SERVICE TO HOT AIR BALLOON PILOTS. NO PERSON MAY, WITHOUT THE WRITTEN PERMISSION OF THE BALLOON FEDERATION OF AMERICA PRESIDENT, MAKE ANY USE OF THE BFA NAME OR LOGO OR IN ANY WAY, EXPRESSLY OR IMPLIEDLY REPRESENT THAT THE USER HAS ANY CONNECTION WITH OR SANCTION FROM THE BALLOON FEDERATION OF AMERICA.

By entering Balloon Golf, a competitor assumes all liability for injury, loss or damage to third parties or their property caused by himself or his crew.

The competitor, by entering in Balloon Golf, agrees that the Balloon Federation of America, BFA/HACD, officers, trustees, agents and/or members are providing the competitor with the facilities and means for participation in Balloon Golf and in no way do they supersede the responsibility of the pilot in command as stated in the FAR's, or otherwise.

The competitor releases the aforementioned from liability for their actions or inactions in relation to Balloon Golf which may arise out of or result from or in any manner relate to the balloon flight or activity in which the competitor participates as a pilot in command.

All meteorological reports, forecasts, and other safety or navigational information is the responsibility of the PIC.

Competitors remain completely responsible for the safe operation of their aerostats at all stages of inflation, launch, flight and landing. **Competitors** must ensure that their crew, equipment, and their own level of skill and experience are suitable for the conditions in their own judgment. A competitor is responsible for all the actions of his crew during the Balloon Golf.

Competitors and their crews are required to behave in a sportsmanlike manner.

Aerostats must have current certificates of registration and airworthiness, or in place of the later, an equivalent document from the FAA. All required instruments under the guidelines of the aircraft operations manual must be on board. The PIC is required to ensure that the aerostat abides by all applicable Federal Aviation Administration Regulations, and the aircraft operations manual at all times.