



# Virginia Senior Games

Henrico County, VA ♦ May 16-19, 2018 ♦ (804) 652-1411  
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| <b>Sport</b>             | <b><i>Horseshoes</i></b>  |
| <b>Events</b>            | Singles   |
| <b>Dates &amp; Times</b> | Wednesday, May 16: Men – 8:00 a.m., Women - 1:00 p.m.   |
| <b>Location</b>          | Dorey Park<br>2999 Darbytown Road<br>Henrico, VA 23231  |
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| <b>Format of Event</b>   | <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. All competition will be conducted utilizing a round robin tournament format. Brackets will be made available to competitors the day of the competition.</li><li>2. Count-all scoring will be used to determine winners. All matches will continue until each player has pitched 30 shoes. If the score is tied after 30 shoes are pitched, four additional shoes shall be pitched until a winner is determined.</li><li>3. Awards will be presented for 1st through 3rd place within each age division.</li><li>4. The NSGA and LOC reserve the right to change the tournament format for any age division based on entry numbers, space restrictions, or other circumstance.</li></ol>  |
| <b>Rules</b>             | <p><b>QUALIFYING RULES</b></p> <p>All first, second, third and fourth place winners at a 2018 NSGA qualifying games will qualify for the 2019 National Senior Games.</p> <p><b>SPORT RULES</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. All matches will be conducted in accordance with National Horseshoe Pitcher's Association rules, except as modified herein. For a copy of these rules, please write or call:<br/>Mr. Stuart Sipma<br/>President<br/>National Horseshoe Pitcher's Association<br/>2826 Domino Drive<br/>Bismarck ND 58503-0831<br/>(701) 258.5686<br/><a href="http://www.horseshoepitching.com">www.horseshoepitching.com</a></li><li>2. Shoes shall be pitched from alternate ends of the court at stakes at the following distances: men 50-69 (40 feet), women 50-74 and men 70 and older (30 feet), women 75 and older (20 feet).</li><li>3. A match will consist of one game.</li><li>4. Players will match shoes to determine who pitches first.</li><li>5. A 15-minute default time will be enforced. For default matches in preliminary rounds, the remaining player will pitch 30 shoes to determine his/her score and be awarded the five bonus points.</li></ol> |



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|                          | <p>6. The pitcher must stand on one of the pitching platforms. Players may use the platform on either side of the court. Feet must stay behind the foul line and within the platform limits until the shoe has left the pitcher’s hand. When not pitching, the opponent shall stand quietly and stationary on or behind the same court’s opposite pitching platform and at least two feet (2’) behind the contestant who is pitching from the same or adjacent court.</p> <p>Such an offense incurs a loss of score in that inning. No player may walk to the opposite stake, or be informed of the position of the shoes before an inning is complete. Once thrown, shoes may not be moved or touched until the scores have been decided. Such an offense incurs a loss of score in that inning.</p> <p>7. Shoes must be within six inches of the stake to be scored. A shoe that first strikes the ground outside the target area (if using portable raised pits, the box that makes up the pit sides is considered to be outside the target area) or rebounds from the backboard cannot be scored, nor can any shoe thrown from an invalid position. Such shoes may be removed from the target area on the request of the opponent. A shoe landing in the area and breaking is not scored; it is removed and another pitch taken. A “ringer” is a shoe that encircles the stake so that a straight edge could touch the two tips of horseshoe without touching the stake.</p> |
| <b>Awards</b>            | Gold, Silver, and Bronze Medals will be given for Men’s and Women’s Divisions in each age category (50-54; 55-59; 60-64; 65-69; 70-74; 75-79; 80-84; 85-89; 90-94; 95-99; 100+). All medal winners will be recognized immediately following competition.   |
| <b>Entry Regulations</b> | Individuals age 50 or older by December 31 of the competition year are eligible to participate, if properly registered. The Virginia Senior Games are considered “open” games, meaning participants from other states are permitted and encouraged to compete in the Virginia Senior Games. The Senior Games strongly recommends that each participant consult his or her physician in regard to practice and participation in this program or any similar physical activity program.  |
| <b>Course Map</b>        |  |
| <b>Equipment</b>         | Competitors must provide their own horseshoes.   |
| <b>Athlete Check-In</b>  | <p>Stop by Athlete Check-in to receive your information packet, t-shirt, participant bag, and name tag.</p> <p>Belmont Recreation Center<br/>1600 Hilliard Road, Henrico, VA 23228, (804) 652-1410</p> <p>Tue, May 15 ..... 4-6 pm<br/>Wed, May 16 ..... 7 am-2 pm<br/>Thu, May 17 ..... 7 am-2 pm<br/>Fri, May 18 ..... 7 am-7 pm<br/>Sat, May 19 ..... 7-9 am</p>  |