

# Ladder Golf

## Assemble The Ladders

1. Insert an upright in the Tees on each foot section.
2. Install a crossbar with Tees onto the uprights.
3. Add a second set of uprights and another crossbar w/Tees.
4. Add a third set of uprights and the final crossbar w/Els.

## Rules of Play

1. Mark off five paces from the ladder (about 10 feet) or for more challenge, seven to eight paces (about 15 feet). If you are using two ladders, set the second ladder at this point.
2. Each player takes three bolos of the same color.
3. Decide who goes first by coin toss, age, etc. Take turns tossing the bolos.
4. Scoring: Top rung = 3 points; second rung = 2 points; bottom rung = 1 point. Bolo must remain on the rung through the end of the round in order to be counted.
5. Player with most points starts next round; if tied, player that started previous round goes first again.
6. If playing partners, one partner stands on each end and tosses the same color bolos as their partner.
7. Game total is 21 points; exact total required to win. If player goes over 21 in the final round, their points don't count for that round and they start at the previous point total for the next round.

OPTION1: Player must win by 2 points; if tied or 1 point apart at end of final round, play continues until one player wins by 2 points.

OPTION2: Points from opposing players on the same rung cancel out; e.g. if each player has one bolo on a rung, no points are scored; if first player has two bolos on top rung and other player has only one, only first player receives points.

## How To Make Your Own Ladder Golf

### WHAT YOU NEED

1. 4ea 10-foot 3/4-in Sch40 thick-wall PVC pipe
2. 12ea 3/4-in Tees
3. 4ea 3/4-in Els
4. 8ea 3/4-in end caps (optional)
5. 12ea golf balls (6ea of two colors or mark colors w/ permanent marking pens)
6. 6ea 20-in length of 1/8-in nylon cord (3/16 or 1/4-in nylon cord may be used instead as long as it is flexible)

### CUT THE PIPES

1. 6ea 24-in crossbars
2. 8ea 18-in feet
3. 12ea 12-in uprights

### ASSEMBLE THE PIECES

1. Glue 2ea 18-in pipes into the straight-through sides of a Tee (4ea feet required).
2. Glue end caps on open ends of feet (optional but helps ladder balance on solid surface).
3. Glue a Tee on each end of 4ea 24-in pipes (4ea crossbars required) – be sure the Tees are exactly parallel or the ladder won't be straight.
4. Glue an El on each end of 2ea 24-in pipes (2ea top bars required) – be sure the Els are exactly parallel or the ladder won't be straight.

### MAKE THE BOLOS

1. Drill 3/16-in holes in the center of the golf balls; enlarge holes if you have any difficulty threading cord through holes  
NOTE: Be aware that some golf balls have a liquid center under pressure.
2. Thread the cord through the holes and tie knots in each end so there's exactly 12-in between the balls.  
HINT: Feed all balls onto a 120-in piece of cord (tie a knot in the end to keep balls from falling off) – be sure to keep colors in pairs. Cut to length and tie so there's exactly 12-in between balls.
3. Trim the ends of the cords close to the knots and seal either with an open flame or hot glue.  
OPTION: Use tennis balls or soft rubber balls to make bolos for indoor play.

