

## HOW TO PLAY THE GAME

Petanque can be played as singles, doubles or triples. Each player in singles and doubles uses three boules, but only two in triples games



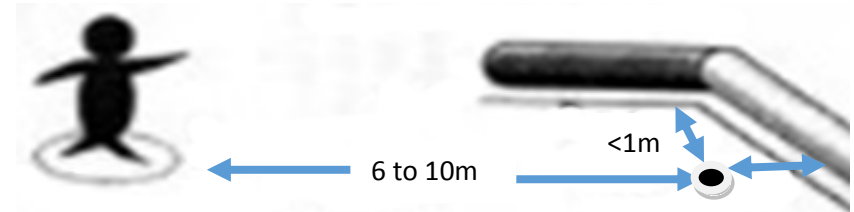
Boules are metal, weigh up to 800 grams and have a diameter between 70 and 80mm. The jack or should be made of wood and have a diameter of 25 to 30mm.



After deciding who starts by tossing a coin, a member of the team draws a circle on the terrain where each player must stand when throwing. The circle should be between 35 and 50cm diameter and both feet must stay inside the circle while playing.



The first thrower throws the jack to land between 6 and 10 metres from the circle and not closer than one metre from the terrain boundary. They then throws the first boule and try to place it as close as possible to the jack.



From the same circle, a player from the opposing team throws his boule, either trying to get it nearer to the jack (pointing) or knock away the leading boule (shooting)



The boule closest to the jack leads. Any boule thrown outside the terrain boundary is considered to be out of play.



Players in the trailing team must throw until their team has a leading boule, or all the team's boules are played. When a team has played all its boules, the other team continues to throw theirs, trying to place them closer to the jack than the opposing boules.

After all the boules have been played, the team with one or more boules nearest the jack are the winners of that end. The points gained are equal to the number of boules closest to the cochennet than the nearest of the opposing team

A new circle is drawn round the jack which is picked up by a player from the leading team and thrown as before. Play continues until one team reaches 13 points.

