

Gaga BALL RULES



FOR
TEACHERS



- ✓ Any number of players can join, as long as everyone can fit in the pit and stand touching the wall at the beginning. Sometimes it may be necessary to limit the number of kids and ask them to line up outside, first-come, first-served.
- ✓ To start, a referee or any player tosses a ball into the middle. On the first and second bounces, everyone yells, "Ga!" On the third bounce, they yell, "Go!"
- ✓ Once the ball is in play, any player can hit or slap the ball with an open or closed hand. Everyone may move around the pit as they play.
- ✓ Players cannot hold, throw, or scoop the ball, only bounce or roll it off the ground or wall.
- ✓ A player can only hit the ball once, unless it first bounces off the wall or another player.
- ✓ If someone catches the ball before it bounces, the person who hit the ball is out and must leave the pit.
- ✓ When a player is hit by the ball on or below the knee, they're out. This includes getting hit by a ball after it bounces off a wall or another person, even if you bounced it yourself.
- ✓ If the ball hits above the knee, the player stays in.
- ✓ If a player hits the ball out of the pit, they're out of the game.
- ✓ Using the wall: Some rules allow players to use the wall to jump higher, while others state that if you do, you're out. Decide in advance which you prefer (it may depend on how sturdy your pit is).



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#1 RULE:
JUST HAVE FUN!!!



HOW TO PLAY

- 1 Stand in the pit touching the wall while the referee or any player tosses a ball into the middle.
- 2 On the **first and second bounces**, yell, "Ga!" On the **third bounce**, yell, "Go!"
- 3 Move around the pit and **hit or slap** the ball, trying to aim at or **below another player's knee**.

WAYS TO GET OUT

- 1 Touch the ball **2x** before it touches the ground, wall, or another player.
- 2 Get hit by the ball **ON** or **BELOW** the knee.
- 3 Hit the ball **OUT** of the pit.

HOW TO WIN

The last player left in the pit is the champion!

GAGA DIRECTLY TRANSLATES TO "HIT-HIT" OR "TOUCH-TOUCH" IN HEBREW!

DO'S

- 1 Bounce or roll the ball off the ground or wall.
- 2 Hit the ball only once before it bounces off the wall or another player.

DON'TS

- 1 Hold, throw, or scoop the ball.
- 2 Hit the ball out of the pit.
- 3 Hit the ball more than **1x** in a row.



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