

Snow Caps – 2 or more players in teams

Everyone brings a cap or hat of some sort, or you can supply each player with cheap paper hats (like birthday hats). The object of the game is to catch as many snowballs as possible having players use only their hats. Teams of two players face each other approx. 10-15 feet apart (the farther apart, the more challenging the game). At the signal, each team begins to pass the snowball back and forth. If a player catches a snowball, they can take one step closer to their teammate. If they drop the snowball, they take a step away. At the end of play, the team closest to each other wins.

A fun variation of this game could be called “Cold Feet” where everyone must use a stocking (the bigger the better and even pantyhose would be hilarious) to catch the snowballs. Or simply have players play with socks on their hands.

Frozen Solid – Plays similar to dodgeball with a twist – 2 teams

Body parts become “frozen” as they are hit. For instance, if a leg or arm is hit, it becomes “frozen” and the player can compensate by using their other extremities. If both legs are hit, a player can continue to throw from a sitting position. If a player is hit with a yellow snowball at any time, they are out. If a player is struck in the head, they must yell out “Brain Freeze” but they can return to the game if a team member hits them again with any snowball. Last player wins or wins for the team.

Falling Snow – 6-12 players and helpers

Place all players together in the center of the room at least one arms length apart from each other in a circle facing each other. Helpers stand around the group and begin to lob snowballs into the air towards the group. Players may not catch the snowballs but rather they try to bat the snowballs away and back to the helpers or over their heads without getting hit.

A fun variation on this game would be to add parachutes or scoop toss scoops for the players to catch as many snowballs as a team using these fun props.

Snowball Shovel – 3 or 4 teams

Divide the play area into thirds or quarters with floor tape, chalk or cones, and split the group into even teams. Divide out the snowballs evenly amongst the teams. When the leader blows the whistle, the teams “shovel” the snowballs they have and try to keep their own area clear of “snow” by throwing any snowballs into another team’s area. The winning team is the one with the least amount of snow in their area when the leader blows the whistle again.

A fun variation to this game would be to use brooms, flyswatters or paddles to “shovel” the snowballs out of their areas.

Runaway Snowplow Mania! – Teams of 2

Place a line at two ends of a room. Place a pile of snowballs in front of each team (the more snowballs, the more laughs). Give each team a large, double spread sheet of newspaper. The object of the game is for each team to try and plow all of the snowballs from one end of the room to the next using only the newspaper. The first team to get all of their snowballs across the opposite line wins.

You can also adapt the game by giving a set timeframe and then subtracting or adding different point values for the snowballs they leave behind or get across the line. Example: white snowballs are worth 5 points each, and yellow may be worth 10 points.

“Fly”ing Snowballs – Teams of 2-6 players

Place teams together at arms length apart and facing each other. Give each of the players a flyswatter, badminton or lightweight tennis racquet. The object of the game is for each team to try and keep the snowball in the air for as long as possible using only the fly swatters or racquets. Teams can count a point for each good hit and subtract a point for each time the ball hits the ground. At the end of play, the team with the most points wins.

A fun and tougher variation would be to add more than one snowball so that counting points becomes a fun challenge.

Additional Fun Game Ideas:

Snowball Fight

It’s an all-out war! Just divide up the snowballs or put them into a pile in the center of the room and let the fighting begin! But watch out for the yellow snow!

Buckets of Snowballs

Place stations and/or buckets around the room at various distances and give each station or bucket a point value. Players with the most points after following the course win!

Frost Bite

Just like “Hot Potato” or “Musical Chairs.” Players toss the snowball to music (“Winter Wonderland” or “Let it Snow” are great choices) but they don’t want to be the one holding the ball when the music stops or they’ll get frost bitten and have to sit out!

Footbag Snowball

Players stand in a small circle. The goal is to keep the snowball in the air as long as possible using head, feet, knees or anything except your hands. Players may keep track of the snowball hits until someone lets the ball hit the ground.

