



INTRAMURAL ICE HOCKEY LEAGUE

**Refundable Team Forfeit Fee (\$50) and Registration Forms Due:
September 14th (Monday) – September 16th (Wednesday)
Office Hours: 8:30 AM – 9:00 PM**

A complete team registration form and forfeit fee must be submitted by 9PM on Wednesday, September 16th. **In addition, there is a \$30 entry fee for each individual listed on the roster.** This must be paid in cash or check (payable to UConn Recreational Services). The \$30 individual entry fee is for the entire 2009-2010 school year.

MANDATORY CAPTAINS' AND FREE AGENT MEETING: Friday, September 18th at 1:00 PM in the Student Union Room 304C.

A mandatory captains' meeting will be held to discuss rules and program operations. **If a team captain or representative does not attend this meeting, the team will surrender their forfeit fee.** In addition, the team will be replaced by a team on the waiting list (whose representative is present at the meeting). If there are no waiting list teams, the team may re-join the league/tournament by paying a \$25 re-entry fee (non-refundable) to the Department of Recreational Services. **All free agents who wish to play should attend this meeting.**

FORMAT: This is a 6 player league. Teams will be placed in round robin pool play followed by a single elimination playoff tournament. The league will take place from September 22nd through March 4th. Games are scheduled between 6PM-Midnight. All games will be played at Freitas Ice Forum. **The registration will be limited to the first 12 teams. This is a NON-CHECKING/NON-CONTACT league.** Once the league is full, teams will be put on the waiting list.

TEAM FORFEIT FEE: In an attempt to discourage teams from not showing up to scheduled contests, each team is required to pay a \$50 forfeit fee (which will be returned to the team if they show up to all of their scheduled contests and captains' meeting). This must be paid in cash or check during the registration period, otherwise the team cannot participate. At the end of the season, if a team did not forfeit any games, their money will be refunded. However, if a team forfeits a contest or misses the captains' meeting, the money will be forfeited to the Department of Recreational Services.

ELIGIBILITY: An individual may not, under any circumstances, play or register on more than one intramural team in this league. Participants are subject to the Intramural Sports eligibility rules as stated in the Intramural Handbook (page 6).

FREE AGENTS AND ADDING PLAYERS: Additional players may be added at any time throughout the school year, including playoffs. All players must add-on and pay the entry fee at our front office in the Student Recreation Facility during office hours (Monday through Friday 8:30AM – 9:00PM) only. **Players will not be able to purchase a membership, pay the individual entry fee, or add-on at the game site.**

EQUIPMENT: **Players are responsible for their own equipment.** All players must wear hockey helmets, full-face masks (no half shields allowed), gloves, elbow pads, shoulder pads, cups, mouthpiece, shin guards, girdle, and hockey pads from the moment they step on the ice until they leave the game. **PLAYERS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE WITHOUT PROPER EQUIPMENT.**

VALID UCONN ID CARDS: Before anyone can participate, **each player must scan their UConn picture ID when they check in at all events.** If, for whatever reason(s), the ID is denied, the individual will not be allowed to participate in any Intramurals or Special Events at that time, NO EXCEPTIONS. If a student or SRF member forgets his/her ID card, he/she may gain access to the SRF/competition by purchasing a \$5 refundable pass at the front desk of the SRF. The \$5 will be returned upon presentation of the refundable pass receipt and a valid UConn ID within seven days. If a player is using a refundable pass to check into a game, they must already be on the team's roster in order to participate. **A participant must have their**

UConn ID if they are participating in that sport for the first time.

FORFEIT PROCEDURE: If a team fails to have the required number of participants at the scheduled game time, the opposing team who is present will have the following options:

(Teams must have 6 players **ON THE ICE** ready to play at game time in order to avoid forfeit procedures)

1. Take the win by forfeit at that time. No contest will be played.
2. Choose to wait until the opponent arrives to compete. However, the official game clock will start running as scheduled. The game will commence once the opponents arrive with whatever game time is remaining on the clock and the score at 2-0, in favor of the waiting team. If the opposing team is not ready to play 10 minutes after the scheduled game time, the Intramural Staff will declare a forfeit win for the waiting team.

If a team forfeits a game, they will be required to pay a re-entry fee of \$25 (non-refundable) at our front office in the Student Recreation Facility by 4:30 PM the next business day in order to remain in the league.

TEAM JERSEYS: Each paid player will be given a recreational hockey jersey.

SAFETY:

1. Proper attire must be worn. No jeans or dress pants allowed.
2. It is forbidden to wear any object that may cause an injury or give an artificial advantage to the player, including but not limited to: head gear, jewelry (including tied rope necklaces, earrings, nose rings, etc.), casts, or braces. **Taping of exposed jewelry will not be permitted.** This is for your safety as well as others.
3. Religious medallions or medical identifications must be removed from chains and taped or sewn under the uniform.
4. Individuals are required to obtain prior approval from the Assistant Director of Intramurals and Special Events for the use of orthopedic devices essential to protect an injury.
5. Players bleeding or having blood on clothing will be prohibited from participation until appropriate measures have been administered.
6. Any player who refuses to follow these rules cannot play and may be removed from the playing area.

The NCAA Official Ice Hockey Rules shall govern play of all intramural games with the exceptions listed in these rules; the Assistant Director of Intramurals and Special Events has the authority to modify said rules at his discretion.

GENERAL RULES:

- 1) Each team must have 6 players to start the game. In the case of an injury, penalties, or other reasons, the team may finish with less than six players.
- 2) **Checking/contact will not be tolerated. This is a NON-CHECKING/NON-CONTACT league.**
- 3) Intramural rules concerning eligibility, player/coach conduct, captain's responsibilities, forfeits, protests, and rosters will be enforced. Please review the Intramural Sports Handbook.
- 4) The game will consist of 3 periods. Each period will be 10 minutes. In the first period the clock will run continuously. The second and third periods will be stop time. The clock will not stop anytime during the game if a team is leading by 8 goals or more. Also, the clock will not stop in the third period if a team is leading by 5 goals or more with 5 minutes remaining in the game.
- 5) Shootout procedure (after a tie score in regulation):
 - a) Only players who have checked in for the game are eligible.
 - b) Goalies finishing regulation must remain in goal (for all shots) during the shoot out.
 - c) Each team selects 3 players for alternating shots.
 - d) A coin toss decides which team shoots first.
 - e) Once the whistle has been blown by an official for a shot, the player has five seconds to begin their attempt or lose the chance.
 - f) In case the game is still tied at the conclusion of the shoot out, each team selects any one player and the two will alternate shots until one player scores and the other doesn't.
 - g) First motion by the shooter must be forward and continue forward throughout the attempt.
 - h) The goalie must remain in the crease until the shooter has touched the puck.
- 6) Penalties will be 1:30 minutes each for minor infractions; 3:00 minutes for a major.
- 7) In order to speed play and minimize arguments, any player other than the captain arguing a call by the officials will be subject to a 1:30 minute unsportsmanlike conduct call as well as all other appropriate penalties.
- 8) Any unnecessary delays by teams or individuals in starting or continuing a game will subject said offender(s) to a delay of game penalty.
- 9) A player receiving 4 minor penalties in a game will be suspended for the remainder of the game. They may be subject to Intramural disciplinary procedures.
- 10) **A player who intentionally tries to or actually does inflict injury on another player, spectator, or official(s),**

while on or off the ice, will be disqualified from the game immediately. Suspensions will follow using Intramural disciplinary procedures. This is also a three minute major. The team penalized will play the entire three minutes short-handed.

- 11) **Anyone checking, roughing or slashing will constitute a major (three minute) penalty. In addition, the player will be disqualified immediately and suspensions may follow using Intramural disciplinary procedures.** The team penalized will play the entire three minutes short-handed.
- 12) Current varsity ice hockey players are not allowed to participate in the league. If a player is still practicing (or trying out) with the varsity team, the player cannot participate in the league.

DISRESPECT TOWARDS PROGRAM PERSONNEL: Any individual(s), players, or spectators addressing an official or other program personnel in an unsportsmanlike manner will be disqualified immediately. In addition, the individual(s) will be subject to Intramural disciplinary procedures.

ALL-STARS: At the conclusion of the season there will be an All-Star team selected. The team will consist of players chosen with the input from captains, officials, intramural staff, and opponents. Skills, impact, attitude, and sportsmanlike conduct will be taken into consideration when selecting the team. If anyone would like to nominate an individual for the team please contact the Intramural Office at 486-2357.

MEDICAL PROCEDURES: The Department of Recreational Services assumes no responsibility for injuries received during intramurals, special events, and other recreational activities. Participants are reminded that their participation is completely voluntary. Each year a small number of injuries occur which require professional treatment. The nature of sport activities and the large number of participants in our program make the occurrences of some injuries inevitable. It is strongly recommended that all participants have a physical examination prior to participating. Any injuries or accidents occurring during recreational activities should be reported immediately to on-duty personnel. Participants with a health issue and individuals who are on medication are urged to confidentially inform the Assistant Director of Intramurals and Special Events of their specific situation.

ALCOHOL AND DRUG POLICY: Individuals, teams, and **spectators** who arrive intoxicated, suspected of consumption, or possessing alcohol or other illegal substances will not be permitted to play and will be asked to leave the playing area. The game may be called a forfeit and offending individuals immediately suspended. The Department of Recreational Services will not tolerate such behavior and will act in a manner that is prudent, with the safety of all participants the priority. Such individuals will be dealt with harshly, given a minimum of a 365-day suspension and will be subject to University disciplinary procedures.

Please read the Intramural Sports Handbook. It is a written description of the regulations that govern the Intramural Sports and Special Events Program. No matter what sport you play, these regulations govern your participation in our programs. It is imperative to the continuity of the program that all participants are aware of and abide by the regulations set forth by the Department of Recreational Services.

SPORTSMANSHIP RATING: Good sportsmanship is required of all participants. Players, coaches, and **SPECTATORS** are to conduct themselves properly at all times. The Department of Recreational Services reserves the right to suspend or disqualify groups or individuals for unsportsmanlike conduct at any time. Unsportsmanlike conduct before, during, and/or after a game (event) will not be tolerated. **The team captain assumes full responsibility for the conduct of the team and spectators.**

Unsportsmanlike conduct includes actions that are unbecoming to an ethical, fair, honorable individual. It consists of acts of deceit, disrespect, or vulgarity and includes taunting. The Department of Recreational Services disapproves of any form of taunting which is intended or designed to embarrass, ridicule, or demean others under any circumstances.

Teams qualifying for the playoff tournament (using W/L record) must average at least a "B" (3.0) rating to be included. In addition, teams must maintain a "B" (3.0) rating throughout the playoff tournament. Teams dropping below a 3.0 average during the playoffs will be eliminated from the tournament. Teams will not receive a grade for a game forfeited or won by forfeit. All ratings will be cumulative based only on the number of games played.

RATING CRITERIA

- A= Team members participate with excellent sportsmanship within the established rules throughout the contest.**
- B= Team or individual team members occasionally complain to officials. Sportsmanship and understanding of the rules is acceptable, but could be better.**
- C= A team or members of the team receive five or more minor penalties.**
- D= A team or members of the team receive a major penalty for unsportsmanlike**

conduct.

F= A team or members of the team receive two or more major penalties or are involved in a fight.

The Intramural Supervisors reserve the right to reevaluate and amend any grade based on team/player's sportsmanship.

If you have any questions regarding the intramural ice hockey rules, please contact Bhavin Parekh (Assistant Director of Intramurals and Special Events) at 486-2206 or e-mail: bhavin.parekh@uconn.edu

Schedules and results will be available on the intramural boards and the department webpage at web.uconn.edu/recreation