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Intramural Sports

Policies and Procedures

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COMPETITIVE SPORTS STAFF

The Competitive Sports Program hosts two program areas, Intramural Sports and Sport Clubs. The professional and student staff serve both programs diligently. We strive to provide the students, faculty, and staff of UWF with the opportunity to participate in a variety of recreational sports in a safe environment; to promote and provide quality service, facilities, and equipment; to facilitate the opportunity for enjoyable experiences; to nurture and celebrate the wholesome and worthwhile use of leisure, healthy lifestyles, and wellness; and to create opportunities for the growth and development of all participants.

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OFFICE HOURS: Monday – Thursday 9:00am – 4:00pm, Friday by appointment

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STUDENT STAFF

Intramural Sports are managed by students at the University of West Florida. They are responsible for controlling the game, dealing with disputes and promoting sportsmanship along with respect. We have three student positions: student director, supervisor and official. You can find any openings we have by visiting careers.uwf.edu. If you don't see a position currently open, please email intramurals@uwf.edu with your resume and express your interest in working for intramural sports.

Student Directors:

Rafael Machado Esteves, Caue Novaes, Abby Mabe, Gil Franca Pinheiro

Supervisors:

Diego Cwu, Luis Cwu Rodriguez, Hailey Burfeindt, Marcus Pereira, Isabelle Alberda, Modeste Nare, Lillian Herbert, Bruno Onwukwe, Felipe Del Porto Rubio and Judah Moran

Officials:

Intramural Sports Officials are responsible for ensuring the integrity of the game. UWF hires Sports Officials each fall and spring semester to referee our 4 major team sports, Volleyball, Flag Football, Basketball and Soccer. Sports officiating is a great way to get involved on campus and in the community. As an Intramural Sports employee, you can have the opportunity to work in the community officiating youth leagues and make up to \$30 per game. Many current and former UWF Intramural Sports Officials work as high school/club officials for football, basketball, volleyball, soccer, lacrosse, baseball and more. Officiating for UWF Intramural Sports can also give you the opportunity to travel to regional and national tournaments. Whatever level of officiating interest you, Intramural Sports is a great way to start!

2023-2024 STAFF AWARD RECIPIENTS

Supervisor of the Year: Caue Novaes

This award is for the supervisor that has gone above and beyond within their position. This individual takes every opportunity to help out their peers and cultivate an atmosphere of encouragement and positive growth amongst both officials and supervisors on staff. This person is always cheerful and has a desire to not only be the best but also make those that they work with the best that they can be.

Official of the Year: Jaxson Landwehr

This award is for the best all around official on staff. This individual is constantly a student of the game and has a burning desire to learn all that they can about each sport and be at their best every single night. They enable the other officials on their field and when they are working, they are able to keep officials and players calm in high stress situations.

Team C Award: Rafael Machado

This award goes to the staff member who always has a positive attitude at work. They go above and beyond when it comes to helping with the small tasks and they never say NO! Keeping staff morale high is a priority and if someone is having a bad day, this individual will go out of their way to help make working the best part of their day! They are always willing to lend an ear when someone needs support and excels at enabling and engaging those that they work with.

UNIVERSITY OF WEST FLORIDA ALL- AMERICAN OFFICIALS

Officiating for UWF Intramural Sports can also give you the opportunity to travel to regional and national tournaments and earn the distinguished and coveted title of an "All-American Official".

1979 – Jim Kay (Football)
1994 – Ray Guillory (Football)
1995 – Brian Davis (Football)
1997 – Tom Fazio (Football)
1999 – Steve Anderson, Jeremy Eickhoff, Erica Halverson (Football)
2000 – Steve Anderson (Football)
2001 – Adam Pruet (Football), Steve Anderson (Basketball)
2002 – Steve Anderson (Volleyball), Sam Mayhew (Basketball)
2002 – Daniel Judge, Nick Coleman (Football)
2003 – Sam Mayhew, Rene Rice, Dale Lewis (Basketball)
2003 – Nick Coleman, Mike Prociuk, Ken Granger, Sam Mayhew (Football)
2004 – Matt Ruckman (Football)
2005 – Mike Collins, Matt Seibring, Ken Granger (Football)
2008 – Wyatt Lee (Football)
2011 – Douglas Abbruzzese (Football)
2012 – Paul Valentine (Football)

SECTION 1: Mission and Values

Article 1: Intramural Sports' Mission Statement

The mission of Intramural Sports at the University of West Florida is to provide students, faculty, and staff of the campus community with the opportunity to participate in a variety of recreational sports in a safe environment; to promote and provide quality service, facilities, and equipment; to facilitate the opportunity for enjoyable experiences; to nurture and celebrate the wholesome and worthwhile use of leisure, healthy lifestyles, and wellness; and to create opportunities for the growth and development of all participants.

Article 2: Recreation and Wellness' Mission Statement

Recreation and Wellness' role is to advance UWF's mission, vision, and priorities by providing diverse learning and developmental opportunities through experiences emphasizing life-long wellness.

Article 3: Departmental Values

Caring - treating students as individuals who matter; extending oneself in support of the celebration of another

Collaboration - a sense of connectedness to the division and university through working with others for the common good; involving constituents and stakeholders in decision-making and problem-solving

Inclusion - embracing and respecting the diversity inherent in all people and creating an environment where all students can live, learn and lead meaningful lives regardless of who they are

Integrity - adherence to professional ethics and/or personal principles that make one's behavior, character and actions beyond reproach

SECTION 2: Eligibility

The Competitive Sports staff will be responsible for the investigation of eligibility of all participants.

Article 1: Enrollment

All fee paying students currently enrolled at **UWF** and UWF faculty and staff are eligible to participate in Intramural Sports. As of April 2019, ESL (English as a Second Language) students (currently enrolled at **UWF**) have been approved by SGA to participate in Intramural Sports. In addition, currently enrolled Transfer Pathways (PSC2UWF) students are eligible to participate.

Article 2: Identification

A Nautilus Card or form of government issued photo ID will be required to check-in for each contest participated in. Participants can also log on to Scoop through MyUWF or use the TouchNet OneCard application to show their virtual UWF ID. Anyone who is on a team roster, but does not check-in with a Competitive Sports Supervisor before playing an intramural sport will receive an unsportsmanlike conduct penalty. Failure to be on the team roster and playing without checking in with the Supervisor will result in the participant being ejected and the game forfeited.

Article 3: Number of Teams

A player can only play on one single sex team and one co-rec team per league sport. Example: Individuals may play with a men's team and a co-rec team or a women's team and co-rec team. If a league/tournament is "open," a player can only play on one team since there are no gender requirements. Once a player has signed in with a Competitive Sports Supervisor for a team, they are on that team for the rest of the season. The exception to this rule is the case of a team forfeiting/defaulting three of its games and being dropped from league play. The Competitive Sports office must approve transfer of players to another roster before participation. Cases will be reviewed on an individual basis.

Article 4: League Eligibility

Sport offerings will be divided into leagues based upon gender. When possible (dependent upon number of registrants), Intramural Sports will offer a Men's, Women's and Co-Rec League for each sport offering. Leagues designated as "Open" will have no gender makeup requirements within the rules for that sport.

- **Men's League:** Individuals identifying as male may play on teams in this league.
- **Women's League:** In accordance with the Florida Statute 1006.205: Fairness in Women's Sports Act, athletic teams or sports designated for females, women, or girls may not be open to students of the male sex. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Assistant Director of Competitive Sports by emailing intramurals@uwf.edu.
- **Co-Rec League:** Designed to give men and women the opportunity to participate together. Teams have specific gender number requirements. Many of the rules are modified to give everyone the chance to enjoy the competition.
- **Open League:** Any number of males or females may participate on teams in this league with no restrictions or rules variations from the men's or women's leagues.

Article 5: Captain's Responsibility

Captains are to ensure that all participants on his/her team are eligible players. Any team that allows an ineligible player to play will forfeit each game in which the ineligible player participates.

Article 6: Assumed Name

Any team playing with a player under an assumed (fictitious) name will forfeit that game. The player involved will be ejected and ineligible to compete in the remainder of the sport and / or tournament.

Article 7: Rosters

All players must be entered on the team roster prior to participation. **It is the responsibility of the participant to make sure he / she signs in with the Competitive Sports Supervisor on duty before each game played.** The captain must have his/her finalized roster prior to the last game of the regular season in a team sport. No changes can be made to the roster after this point. ALL ROSTERS ARE LIMITED. To find out the max roster limit, please refer to the sport specific rules.

Article 8: Collegiate/Professional Athletes

Students whose names appear on an official intercollegiate varsity roster will be ineligible to compete in that related sport for a period of six months. Professional athletes are banned from their related sport for a period of two calendar years.

Article 9: Sport Club Athletes

In the event that UWF has an active Sport Club for a sport that is also offered by the Intramural Sports program, no more than 3 Sport Club members may be on an Intramural Sports roster.

Article 10: Assumption of Risk

An informed consent form must be signed in order for each individual to participate in any intramural sport. The Assumption of Risk for every sport is accepted through creating an account on IMLeagues.com and joining a team.

Article 11: Alumni

Alumni may not participate in Intramural Sports.

Article 12: Extramural Events

All students that represent the University of West Florida at extramural activities must be enrolled in a minimum of three credit hours. Meet with the Competitive Sports Graduate Assistants for more information about extramural events.

Article 13: Illegal Participation

Failure to comply with any of these policies will result in forfeiture of all games in which the illegal participation occurred.

Article 14: Suspended Eligibility

A player disqualified from the game for unsportsmanlike conduct must leave the area/complex IMMEDIATELY and will be declared ineligible for play in ANY Intramural Sports UNTIL he/she submits a letter requesting reinstatement and meets with the appropriate staff member. (See Section 10: Sportsmanship).

SECTION 3: Captain's Responsibilities

Article 1: The Captain

Teams **must** delegate a captain in charge of the administration of their Intramural Sports team.

Article 2: Responsibilities

1. Attend all meetings pertaining to his/her team's sport. **Teams who do not attend the captain's meeting are NOT eligible for playoffs. In a league with a waiting list, teams who do not attend the**

captain's meeting may be replaced by a team on the waiting list whose captain is present at the captain's meeting.

2. Invite participants to join his/her team roster on IMLeagues. Make roster changes and additions, when necessary, according to the eligibility rules.
3. Notify team members of date, place, and time of contest or schedule changes.
4. **Be responsible for player eligibility, conduct, and actions of players on his/her team and spectators inserting themselves into the game.**
5. **Be knowledgeable of all playing rules governing the sport they are participating in.**
6. Be knowledgeable of all policies and procedures. Captain's must read and understand the IM Policies and Procedures Handbook as it pertains to their team.
7. **GAME TIME IS FORFEIT TIME!** It is advised that Captains have their team present and signed in with a Nautilus Card or government issued photo ID at least fifteen (15) minutes before game time. Failure to have the minimum number of eligible players at game time will result in a forfeit.
8. Display good sportsmanship at all times.
9. Check and verify your team's record and score at least once a week to ensure accuracy. If there is a discrepancy please contact the Competitive Sports Office immediately.
10. Check the roster and schedule in IMLeagues to ensure that there are not any extra players. Unwanted players must be reported to the Competitive Sports Office as soon as possible. Unwanted players can only be removed if they have not played on the team by the date of the removal request.
11. Check your playoff schedule in IMLeagues and inform all team members of game information.

SECTION 4: Registration Procedure

Article 1: Information

Information concerning all Intramural Sports activities is available on the web at uwf.edu/intramurals or uwf.edu/imleagues. You can also stop by the Competitive Sports office between 9 am and 4 pm, Monday-Thursday, in building 72/282A or by appointment on Fridays. Call 474-2539 or e-mail intramurals@uwf.edu.

Article 2: Registration

Each semester, participants may register for all Intramural Sports activities during the designated registration periods in the Fall and Spring. You may reference the Intramural Sports website uwf.edu/intramurals or uwf.edu/imleagues to acquire the dates of registration for all Intramural Sports and activities. Be ready with your team contact information and a working knowledge of when your team is available to play. Invite your teammates to join your team through IMLeagues. Everyone is required to be listed on the IMLeagues roster before checking in for a contest. *If the league is full, please register your team on the waiting list and come to the listed captain's meeting for the event.

Article 3: Free Agents

Individuals desiring to play in a team sport, but are not affiliated with a full team, may register as a free agent online at uwf.edu/imleagues. Team captains who are in need of players will be encouraged to draft players from the free agent list.

SECTION 5: Participant Safety

Article 1: Assumption of Risk

Individuals are encouraged to have a physical examination and obtain adequate health and accident insurance PRIOR TO PARTICIPATION in recreational sports activities. Individuals who participate in recreational sports will be doing so at their own risk. Participation in any recreational sports activity is completely voluntary. The University of West Florida is not responsible for any injury that may occur to individuals participating in any recreational sports activity.

- All participants are required to fill out an informed consent form prior to any activity.

- If aspects of our programs hinder your full participation, reasonable accommodations can be arranged based on documented needs. You must first register with [Student Accessibility Resources](#).

Article 2: Head, Neck and Back Injuries

Any participant who sustains a head, neck, or back injury while participating in Intramural Sports will be unable to play in ALL Intramural Sports until they provide the Competitive Sports Office with a certified medical personnel's (M.D., D.O. or C.A.T.) release. The injured participant will need to visit an emergency room or their family doctor for the release form. Student Health Services on campus does not provide a release form for these types of injuries.

Article 3: Blood Policy

If and when a Competitive Sports staff member observes that a player is bleeding, has an open wound, or has blood on his/her uniform, the player will be directed to leave the game. The injured player is not to return until the bleeding has stopped, the open wound is covered, and the bloody uniform is changed.

SECTION 6: Equipment / Jewelry

Article 1: Shoes

Shoes must be soft-soled soccer/football type cleats or cross-country, tennis, or astro-turf shoes. Cleats must be made with nonabrasive rubber or rubber-type synthetic material which does not chip or develop a cutting edge. Rubber cleats with a tipped metal material are illegal. Participating without footwear is prohibited (exception: sand volleyball).

Article 2: Jewelry

The following items are prohibited in all intramural activities that involve contact:

- ❖ Earrings with hoops
- ❖ Ridged or pointed jewelry
- ❖ Jewelry which, in the opinion of the staff, may cause harm to any participant

Sports that do not contain any contact: Jewelry may be worn in activities which do not contain any contact with opponents or teammates unless it is deemed unsafe by a staff member. Examples include, but are not limited to: cornhole, ping pong, disc golf, etc.

Sports that do not contain frequent contact: Jewelry (rings, necklaces, ankle bracelets, fitness trackers, non-hoop earrings, rubber bands, etc.) which is not prohibited by the above rules may be worn in activities which do not contain frequent contact with opponents or teammates. Examples include, but are not limited to: sand volleyball, indoor volleyball, softball, dodgeball, tennis and kickball.

Sports that do involve frequent contact: In activities which involve frequent contact with opponents or teammates (examples include, but are not limited to: basketball, flag football, soccer, team handball and ultimate frisbee), **exposed jewelry is prohibited**. Participants will be removed from the contest at any point if jewelry becomes exposed and will be allowed to return once the jewelry is covered.

Medical alert bracelets may be worn in any activity and may display proper information but should be taped down during frequent contact sports. Knee braces are permitted with approved protective covers (neoprene protective covers). Staff will not provide materials to cover any jewelry, religious medallions or medical alert bracelets. Participant safety will be the primary factor in any questions regarding jewelry.

Article 3: Other Equipment

The use of headgear, shoulder pads, body pads, or any unyielding or dangerous equipment is prohibited. Players may wear a knit or stocking cap and use soft, pliable gloves if they desire. No baseball style caps allowed or bandannas which require a knot to tie on.

Article 4: Shorts

Absolutely no shorts with pockets will be allowed for flag football. Participants will **not** be allowed to turn shorts with pockets inside out or tape pockets. This again is a safety issue, there are NO EXCEPTIONS! Events other than flag football will allow pocketed shorts.

Article 5: Drones

Drones are prohibited from use during all intramural sport offerings. They create a safety issue and there are NO EXCEPTIONS!

SECTION 7: Leagues

Article 1: Leagues

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SECTION 8: Defaults and Forfeits

Article 1: Defaults

Any team knowing in advance that they will be unable to play a regularly scheduled contest is provided the opportunity to default or not play in the contest. In order for the contest to be considered a default, the team captain must contact the Competitive Sports Office (850-474-2539, intramurals@uwf.edu) OR fill out the [Default Form](#) by **noon** on the day of the contest. Weekend requests must be made by 4:00pm the preceding Friday. A sportsmanship rating of 3.5 will be assigned to teams who are defaulting a contest. A sportsmanship rating of 4.0 will be assigned to the opponent of the defaulting team.

Article 2: Forfeits

GAME TIME IS FORFEIT TIME. Check-in is the responsibility of each individual. Participants must seek out Competitive Sports Supervisors prior to game time to assure they are checked in. Any team failing to report to participate at the scheduled starting time shall forfeit to their opponent. If both teams fail to report to participate, each team shall be credited with a forfeit. This applies to special events as well. To receive a win by forfeit, a team must have the minimum number of players required to begin according to the rules of the sport present at the scheduled location and at the scheduled time "ready to play." A sportsmanship rating of 3.0 will be assigned to teams who are forfeiting a contest due to lack of participation. The opponent of a team forfeiting a contest will receive a 4.0.

NOTE: Sportsmanship ratings for both teams are at the discretion of the Competitive Sports Staff during games forfeited due to ejection/conduct.

Any combination of defaults and forfeits which equals 3 will result in that team getting dropped from league play.

A forfeit in tournament play could result in your team being removed from the tournament depending on the structure (single elimination, double elimination, etc).

Forfeit Charge Procedure:

The forfeit charge is a fee that will be assessed to the captain of a registered team that forfeits a contest. The charge will be \$20 for any league play and \$10 for any tournament play. Teams that are not able to make a scheduled contest will have the option to “default” the match and avoid a forfeit charge. Defaults must be requested by noon the day of the scheduled contest or by Friday at 4:00pm for weekend games. Request defaults with the Competitive Sports office at 850.474.2539, intramurals@uwf.edu, or complete the [Default Form](#).

1. The captain of a forfeiting team will be responsible for paying the forfeit charge.
2. A hold will be placed on the captain’s account for the forfeit.
3. The charge must be paid in the Cashier’s Office (Bldg. 20E).
4. Once the charge is paid, the hold will be removed from the captain’s account.

SECTION 9: Weather and Rescheduling

Article 1: Rain-Outs

Rain-outs will be rescheduled at the discretion of the Competitive Sports Office. Cancellation or rescheduling decisions will not be made until 3 p.m. on the day of the event. In case of inclement weather, a notice will be sent out via IMLeagues to all participants for the evening. Participants may also call 850.474.2539 after 3pm to find out about cancellations. Teams will be held responsible for obtaining cancellation information and relaying it to all of their team members. You can also check uwf.edu/imleagues for cancellation updates.

SECTION 10: Sportsmanship

Article 1: Rating System

A sportsmanship rating system will be used to promote good sportsmanship with a winning attitude. Intramural Sports officials will rate teams after each league game on a five-point scale for sportsmanship. Teams earning less than a 3.5 average sportsmanship rating will not be allowed to participate in their league playoffs (regardless of the team’s win/loss record).

The following is a description of the point system:

5= Outstanding sportsmanship and conduct. There is positive reinforcement between players and a good attitude towards opponents, the team captain controls players and spectators, no abusive language is directed at the officials and there is no interference to the play of the game.

4= Good sportsmanship and conduct. Each team begins each game at this level. Seen as a normal game. Captain in control of players, few questions concerning officials’ decisions, no verbal or physical threats towards officials and/or opponents.

3= Below average sportsmanship. Warning issued. Captain keeps some control of players and spectators, some form of abusive language or unsportsmanlike conduct displayed. NOTE: A team who earns a sportsmanship related penalty (UC, Yellow Card, and Technical Foul) cannot earn higher than this level.

2= Poor sportsmanship. Several warnings and/or one ejection. Captain exhibits little control over players and spectators, unnecessary roughness. NOTE: A team who earns an ejection cannot earn higher than this level.

1= Unbecoming of a UWF Student. Several ejections and/or stoppage of the game. Captain shows no control of players.

**Three unsportsmanlike fouls by any team in one game leads to automatic forfeiture of the game. The captain must meet with the Graduate Assistant and/ or Assistant Director before his/her team may play again.

Article 2: Participant Conduct

A player disqualified from the game for unsportsmanlike conduct must leave the area/complex IMMEDIATELY, and will be declared ineligible for play in ANY Intramural Sports activity UNTIL he/she has submitted a letter requesting reinstatement and has met with the Competitive Sports staff. The Competitive Sports staff will determine the length of the suspension based on the official ejection report and how the participant responds during the situation and the meeting. Failure to leave the area/complex may result in disqualification of the captain or forfeiture of the game. Any second occurrence of unsportsmanlike conduct by a team may result in that team being eliminated for the remainder of the season.

Article 3: Offenses and Process

Players shall not commit acts of unsportsmanlike conduct. Before, during or after a contest no player, coach, spectator or team shall:

1. Use foul or derogatory language, threaten, or verbally abuse any other participant or Competitive Sports employee before, during or after the game. This includes trash talking.
2. Participate in a game for which he/she is ineligible.
3. Argue or talk back to the game official. Only the captain may address the official and only if done so in a courteous manner.
4. Intentionally strike, push, trip or commit a flagrant foul against another player.
5. Mistreat the facility, equipment or supplies of the University of West Florida.

Disciplinary cases will be decided by the Competitive Sports professional staff. Upon completion of a written request for reinstatement, participants will be required to meet with the Competitive Sports staff to discuss possible disciplinary actions.

Please send a written request for reinstatement to intramurals@uwf.edu and address it to:
Mrs. Jessica Coleman, Competitive Sports Assistant Director

Article 4: Examples of Violations and Outcomes

Violation: Shoving, Striking, or physically abusing an official or supervisor.

Penalty: Automatic suspension from Intramural Sports activities for one (1) full calendar year.

Note: This includes being reported to the Dean of Students and possible assault charges at the county courthouse.

Violation: Ejection from a game due to a rule infraction.

Penalty: Possible suspension from the team's next scheduled game and probation for the remainder of the sport's season.

Violation: Ejection from a game due to unsportsmanlike behavior.

Penalty: Automatic suspension from the team's next scheduled game and probation for the remainder of the sport's season.

Violation: Ejections from a game due to fighting. (Individual)

Penalty: Automatic suspension from the team's next two scheduled games and probation for the remainder of the sport's season.

Violation: Sidelines emptying onto the playing field. (Teams)

Penalty: Automatic forfeit of game by both teams and mandatory meeting of team captains with a Competitive Sports Graduate Assistant the following day.

Violation: Ejection or misconduct during or after the last game of the season in a sport.

Penalty: Possible suspension from all Intramural Sports activities during and including next sport.

Violation: Continuous evidence of unsportsmanlike conduct by individuals, teams, or organizations.

Penalty: Automatic suspension from Intramural Sports for remainder of semester and possibly next semester.

NOTE: These examples serve as a guideline to adjudication decisions. All cases and consequences will be heard and decided on a case by case basis. The final decision is solely up to the discretion of the Assistant Director and the Graduate Assistants.

Article 5: Appeal Process

Should the participant decide to appeal the initial decision, he/she may appeal in writing to the Director of Recreation. Send the appeal to:

Mr. Brent Parmer, Executive Director
11000 University Parkway, 72/280
Pensacola, FL 32514

SECTION 11: Protests

Article 1: What Can Be Protested?

Questions about an official's judgment are not grounds for protest. If, in the team captain's opinion, an error was made, he or she must notify the officials that he or she is protesting a rule interpretation, before the protest period has ended (consult individual sports rules for protest period). If the captain does not immediately notify the officials of his/her intent to protest, he or she waives all rights to protest on that call. In addition, a captain may also protest an opposing player's eligibility in accordance with Section 2. If a protest is acknowledged, the officials will stop the game and record the game situation with the Competitive Sports supervisor on site. If possible, a decision will be rendered on site.

If the captain still believes that the ruling is incorrect they may file a [formal protest](#) with the Competitive Sports Office by 12:00PM (noon) the following day. All proper paperwork will be examined at this time. An individual's eligibility can be protested as well by filling out a [formal protest](#). The Competitive Sports Graduate Assistant / Senior Assistant Director will rule on the protest.

SECTION 12: Playoffs For League Sports

Article 1: Eligibility-Format

Depending on the number of teams registered within a league sport, playoffs are separated into three different brackets: Men's, Women's and Co-Rec.

In order to be eligible to participate in playoffs, your team must meet the following three requirements:

1. Have a representative attend the preseason captain's meeting.

2. Have not obtained three or more forfeits and /or defaults during league play.
3. Have obtained an average sportsmanship of 3.5 during the regular season and maintain that throughout the playoffs. Should the average rating of the winning team of a playoff game drop below 3.5, that team will not advance.

Playoff seeding will be determined based on regular season totals in the following order:

1. Win Percentage
2. Cumulative Sportsmanship Rating
3. Points Against
4. Points For

A Playoff Draw will be held for teams to pick their place in the bracket. The picking order will be based on the seeding of the teams within each division. If a team is not represented at the playoff draw, they will be randomly placed in the bracket after all teams in attendance have picked their spots.

*** Any team who has a player ejected during playoffs is immediately eliminated from the bracket! In the event, both teams have players ejected, neither team will advance!**

Article 2: Brackets

All tournament brackets will be posted online at uwf.edu/imleagues. It is the team captain's responsibility to be familiar with your team's schedule. Each league playoff bracket will be a single elimination bracket with seeding being based upon regular season play unless otherwise noted.

SECTION 13: Awards

Article 1: Champion Shirts

All Intramural Sports Champions will receive a prestigious, admired, highly respected and customized UWF Intramural Sports championship shirt. Only players listed on your roster at the end of the season will receive a Championship shirt.

Article 2: Hall of Fame

Individual Intramural Sports participants who throughout the academic year portray characteristics of leadership, sportsmanship, service, and outstanding achievements are nominated by the Competitive Sports staff for the Intramural Sports Hall of Fame. At the conclusion of the academic year, the Intramural Sports staff will induct one male and one female into the Hall of Fame. Their names will then be engraved on a permanent plaque and be displayed in the Health, Leisure and Sports Facility.

SECTION 14: Game Rules

Article 1: Rules

The rules in all sports are based on national association rules with modifications, when appropriate, to make the activity safe and enjoyable for the players while attempting to maintain the identity of the game. The rules of each sport will be discussed at the captain's meeting for that sport and are also available for viewing on the [Intramural Sports website](http://uwf.edu/intramurals) or under each sport description at uwf.edu/imleagues.

SECTION 15: Alcohol, Drugs, Tobacco and Vapes

Article 1: Alcohol and Drugs

The Intramural Sports playing areas are "no alcohol or drug" areas. If any of these substances are present, the contest will be stopped and could be considered a forfeit. This policy includes spectators. The supervisor

and/or officials have the authority to make decisions regarding students who are not permitted to play based on their behavior along with if the game can continue.

Article 2: Tobacco and Vapes

Tobacco and/or vaping will also not be permitted in any activity areas. This applies to both participants and spectators. A supervisor will ask you to leave the area if you are seen vaping or with any tobacco products within the playing areas.

SECTION 16: Animals At Events

Article 1: Service Animals

In accordance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), the University of West Florida permits the use of service animals for students with disabilities. Service animals are specifically trained to assist people with disabilities in the activities of daily living. Service Animals have to be on a leash (unless the leash prohibits them from performing the tasks that they are trained to do). The owner has to have control over the animal at all times and pick up its waste. Service animals can be a dog or miniature horse.

Article 2: Comfort Animals

Emotional support, therapy, comfort, or companion animals are not considered service animals under the ADA. These terms are used to describe animals that provide comfort just by being with a person. Because they have not been trained to perform a specific job or task, they do not qualify as service animals under the ADA. A comfort animal may be incorporated as an integral part of a treatment process prescribed by a medical or mental health provider. The use of a support/therapy/comfort animal may be allowed as a reasonable accommodation through established SDRC procedures. Comfort animals may be restricted from specific areas. Comfort animals are NOT ALLOWED at Intramural Sports events even if they are registered on campus. These support animals provide companionship, relieve loneliness, and sometimes help with depression, anxiety, and certain phobias, but do not have special training to perform tasks that assist people with disabilities.

SECTION 17: Services Price List

This price list serves as the standing price for services offered to on / off campus entities.

Service	UWF Affiliates	Off-Campus Affiliates	Notes
Paint Field (s)	\$170 / field at minimum	\$170 / field at minimum	Field painting costs will vary depending on the complexity of the field and how long it will take to complete.
Flag Football Officials	\$20 / game / official	\$30 / game / official	Billed at 3 officials per field
Basketball Officials	\$20 / game / official	\$30 / game / official	Billed at 3 officials per court
Soccer Officials	\$20 / game / official	\$30 / game / official	Billed at 3 officials per field
Volleyball Officials	\$20 / game / official	\$30 / game / official	Billed at 2 officials per court
Supervisor	\$20 / hour	\$20 / hour	