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# UW-W INTRAMURAL SPORTS

WELCOME • CAPTAIN'S MEETING PRESENTATION

## PICKLEBALL

2nd SEMESTER



# WELCOME

CAPTAIN'S MEETING

- Who We Are
  - Matt Schneider, Assistant Director                      SchneideMD30@uww.edu
  - Student Coordinator/Leadership Team
  - On-Site Supervisor Staff
  
- What We Do
  - Oversee all operational aspects of the Intramural Sports program
  - Scheduling, Bracketing, Equipment & Facility Management, Situational Mediation
  - Recruitment, Training, Evaluation & Management of Staff



# UW-W REC SPORTS APP

CAPTAIN'S MEETING

- Available for FREE via Apple and Android stores
- Most Rec Sports programs, services and information available 24/7
- Once downloaded, sign in with your UW-W NetID and Password to activate your IMLeagues account via the app
- Product of IMLeagues, should be able to facilitate most IM Sports operations via the app



# INTENDED SEASON OUTLINE



CAPTAIN'S MEETING

- Regular season begins Monday, April 1st
- Mon/Wed teams play two contests per night, four contests per week
- Pickleball is played on the Warhawk Tennis Courts



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- Playoff memos intend to go out on Friday, April 12th
- Playoff schedules intend to be released on Friday April 19th
- Playoffs are projected to begin Monday, April 22nd
- Projected champ night is Monday, April 29th (Possibly later based on rain dates)



# GENERAL ELIGIBILITY

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- Participant Handbook, Section 1
- Current UW-Whitewater students, faculty or staff
- Individuals on no more than two (2) teams in the same league
- Once a participant is on a roster, they are locked into that team
  - EXCEPTION: changing teams is permitted, both captains must agree
- Captains and participants are responsible for understanding and ensuring eligibility
- More guidelines available



# EMPHASIS: IMLEAGUES & QUIZZES

CAPTAIN'S MEETING

- All members wishing to participate **MUST** appear on the team roster, no exceptions
- To get on a team roster, members must acknowledge our online waiver and pass a rules/policies quiz in IMLeagues (also available to do on the UW-W Rec Sports app)
- A 100% score is required to pass IMLeagues quizzes
- Not on a roster or need to pass a quiz? Cannot play
- Help our staff and your team out by making sure players get these items taken care of ASAP
- Whole process should take no more than 10-15 minutes



# EMPHASIS: CURRENT ATHLETES

CAPTAIN'S MEETING

- Current athletes reporting to teams under the Intercollegiate Athletics umbrella are eligible to participate in Intramural Sports, except for those activities that are defined as “corresponding” with their varsity counterpart
- A list of corresponding activities and applicable rules is accessible on the Intramural Sports website
- Once an athlete is on a roster with Intercollegiate Athletics (available at [uwwsports.com](http://uwwsports.com)), that athlete is considered active with the team in-question for the entire current academic year, regardless of playing time or roster status throughout the current year
- It is recommended any athletes confirm their desire to participate in intramural activity with their coaching staff
- Athletes do not receive preferential treatment and IM Sports staff will work with Intercollegiate Athletics to ensure no NCAA violations or impermissible benefits may take place as a result of intramural participation





# ADDING TO YOUR ROSTER

CAPTAIN'S MEETING

- Can add to your roster at any time during your regular season once your team is created
- There is no daily deadline to make additions, although we recommend 3:00 pm, which is the time (on average) we print scoresheets for a day (scoresheets may be printed earlier in a day)
- Added after 3:00 pm? No problem! The individual may not be on the roster, but ask a supervisor to review your roster on IMLeagues to verify the addition
- Once additions are verified, players get added to scoresheets by staff
- Additions may take some time (again, 10-15 minutes) – allow enough time for people to register
- A lack of compliance does not mean we are flexible with these policies on-site
- On-site additions tend to frustrate members; help us out!



# CHECKING IN FOR CONTESTS

CAPTAIN'S MEETING

- It is recommended teams arrive 15 minutes prior to the start of their scheduled contest to allow for proper time to check in and address any roster/eligibility concerns
- Please tell your team members what your team name is
- A valid HawkCard that is legible is required to check-in
- No HawkCard? A “Forgotten ID Pass” may be obtained in Williams Center Room 100
- Not playing in or nearby the Williams Center?
- Must present a HawkCard for every contest – no attitude, please
- We can accept pictures of your HawkCard as long as the picture clearly shows your name, UWW ID number and your face
- WINS accounts, class schedules, driver license, etc. all not acceptable to check in



# FORFEITS

CAPTAIN'S MEETING

- Game Time is Forfeit Time!
- We do ask teams make every effort to attend all scheduled contests/events
- We also understand things happen. If you cannot play, notify us in-advance
- Two types of forfeits:
  - Administrative: team notifies staff of intent to forfeit at least two (2) hours prior to scheduled contest OR does not meet minimum roster requirements to start a contest by rule
  - On-Site: team does not show to the site of competition without providing proper notice (which may include being late)
- Forfeit fees may apply to forfeits
  - Individual/Dual Activities: \$5.00 for administrative and \$10.00 for on-site forfeits
  - Team Activities: \$10.00 for administrative and \$20.00 for on-site forfeits



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- Forfeit fines are payable online in IMLeagues or in Williams Center Room 100
- If your team is fined, the forfeit fee is due before your next contest, but we will work with you
- Why does a forfeit fine exist?
- Fine payment also serves as reinstatement and indicates team is interested in resuming operations
- Forfeits result in a loss in your season standings
- Multiple forfeit occurrences may result in team being dropped from season operations
- More details, including playoff forfeit information, can be found on the Intramural Sports website and in the Participant Handbook, Section 11



# PROTESTS

CAPTAIN'S MEETING

- Teams are permitted to protest the following:
  - Participant and/or Team Eligibility
  - Rule Interpretation and/or Application
  - Scoring
  - Sportsmanship/Conduct Standing
  - Disciplinary Decisions
  - Recorded Result
- Judgment is not subject to protest
- To protest during a contest, make your intent clear to staff
- To protest after a contest, email us at [imsports@uww.edu](mailto:imsports@uww.edu)
- Once reviewed and decided upon, protest outcomes are final



# EQUIPMENT & JEWELRY

CAPTAIN'S MEETING

- All basic equipment necessary to start a contest is provided by Intramural Sports
- Some activities require contrasting team jerseys, in which case Intramural Sports will provide those items
- Equipment deemed personal is to be provided by each individual participant
- Jewelry is permitted, however must be removed if it is deemed to put any individual at risk
  - This includes personal fitness devices
- Personal items, including equipment and jewelry are used at the discretion of the item's owner
- Intramural Sports and the Office of Recreation Sports & Facilities are not responsible for items lost, damaged or stolen



# EQUIPMENT & JEWELRY

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- In some activity cases, additional equipment (i.e. padding/ headgear, braces/guards) are required. Participants are responsible for providing these items. See activity-specific rulebooks for details
- Any items to be used to facilitate a contest (i.e. a game ball) may not be used for any warm-up period that may present itself. Participants are welcome to rent equipment from the Williams Center Equipment Room at no additional cost, permitted it is available
- Items belonging to Intramural Sports and Recreation Sports are property of the State of Wisconsin and are to be used respectfully. Intentionally modifying or mistreating equipment may result in the applicable person(s) being responsible for replacement equipment and/or parts. Individuals are responsible with returning the exact items they may rent from Rec Sports (i.e. can not return ball #11 when ball #12 was rented and expect to be clear of responsibility)



# INJURIES & CARE

CAPTAIN'S MEETING

- Safety, health and wellness all comes first
- If any member of your team is injured or requires attention, please inform applicable contest personnel who are trained in how to pause a contest and resume at the point of interruption (as necessary)
- Basic first aid is available for all participants and anyone in attendance
- Supervisor staff receive first aid, CPR and AED training
- Calling an ambulance or EMS personnel does not automatically mean someone will pay for transportation
- Service/attention can always be refused
- Do what is right by the person needing attention – we will not “wait a few minutes” or “until a few more points are scored”





# EMPHASIS: ACTIVITY-SPECIFIC RULES



## CAPTAIN'S MEETING

- **THE GAME:** The ball is served underhand without bouncing it off the court and is served diagonally to the opponent's service court
- **POINTS:** Points are scored by the serving side only and occur when the opponent faults. The server continues to serve, alternating service courts, until server faults
- **SERVICE RULES:** The server must keep both feet behind the baseline during the serve with at least one foot on the court surface or ground at the time the ball is struck. The serve must be made while the server's feet are within the confines of the serving area.



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- **DOUBLE BOUNCE RULE:** The serve and the service return must be allowed to bounce before striking the ball. That is, each side must play a groundstroke the first shot following the serve. After the initial ground strokes have been made, play may include volleys.
- **READINESS:** Serves shall not be made until the receiver is ready and the score has been called. The score shall be called after both the server and the receiver have returned to their respective positions
- **SINGLES:** At the start of each game, the server begins the serve on the right side and alternates from right to left, as long as the server holds serve
- **DOUBLES:** The service always starts in the right-hana court and alternates from right to left to right



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## CAPTAIN'S MEETING

- **NON-VOLLEY ZONE RULES:** The non-volley zone is the area of the court bounded by the two sidelines, the non-volley line, and the net. The non-volley line and the sidelines are included in the non-volley zone.
- **SCORING:** Games 1&2 the first side scoring 11 points and leading by at least a 2-point margin wins. If both sides are tied at 10 points, then play continues until one side wins by 2
- **Game 3-** the first side scoring 7 points and leading by at least a 2-point margin wins. game three is capped at 11 points



# RESPECTING STAFF & OFFICIALS

CAPTAIN'S MEETING

- All staff, including contest officials/referees/umpires are to be treated with respect
- Do you have a question? Want clarification? Certainly ask, but do so respectfully
- Staff are here for you and are expected to address all inquiries that are made respectfully
- Officiating staff will undoubtedly make mistakes and not make everyone happy; you will have moments of disagreements; be professional and treat officials like adults
  - Mistakes should never be a result of lack of effort or care
- Any disrespectful treatment of staff cannot and will not be tolerated



# OFFICIATING

CAPTAIN'S MEETING

- Contests are facilitated by trained student staff
- Trainings follow guidelines established by the NFHS and WIAA
- Anyone is welcome to become an official
- Officials do not write rules; they enforce them
- First priority is facilitating fair contests, not getting calls correct (although this is also important)
- Officials are evaluated on a number of varying components
- Your feedback and suggestions are welcome, permitted they are progressive and positive in nature



# OFFICIATING

CAPTAIN'S MEETING

- Officiating is always the most negatively-rated facet of IM Sports and we both acknowledge and understand that
- Customer service and professional appearance are top priorities in addition to fairness
- Supervisor staff have the authority to step in and address situations, but cannot overrule officials without following proper protocol
- Staff should never display favoritism and/or preferential treatment – IM Sports will not stand for such items and train to the contrary
- Please do not confuse friendly behavior for favoritism



# EMPHASIS: SPORTSMANSHIP

CAPTAIN'S MEETING

- Positive sportsmanship is expected at all times
- Unsporting conduct cannot be tolerated
- As silly as it seems to have to address, unsporting conduct can be a major issue if participants, staff and spectators do not act like adults – take the high road!
- Profane language and gestures/other actions in public spaces
- Team names
- Use of Hawk Card and other compliance
- Review the IM Sports Participant Handbook, Section 15 for complete details



# EMPHASIS: BENCH DECORUM & SPECTATORS

CAPTAIN'S MEETING

- All participants not actively involved in a contest are considered “bench personnel”
- Bench personnel must follow decorum practices at all times
- **Simply put: stay in your designated bench/team area at all times and do not instigate**
- Cannot vacate a team area without authorization by rule or by staff
- Cannot vacate a team area in the event of any issues on the playing surface
  - Staff, captains and non-bench personnel/spectators will handle these situations
- Spectators must follow all applicable rules and policies; teams are responsible for their “fans” and spectators/supporters
- Complete outline of sportsmanship and decorum available via various resource outlets





# CAPTAIN RESPONSIBILITIES

CAPTAIN'S MEETING

- Captains exist to assist administrative staff in a number of different capacities that can help in the facilitation of a top-notch program with favorable/positive experiences
- Main responsibilities include, but are not limited to:
  - Serving as a point of contact for administrative staff
  - Registering teams and assembling rosters (and ensuring eligibility guidelines are met)
  - Communicating operations to team members
  - Knowing rules policies and procedures and helping team members understand
  - Knowing intended activity operations and communicating to team members
  - Assisting with ensuring sportsmanship and decorum policies are met



# CLUB SPORTS PARTICIPATION

CAPTAIN'S MEETING

- Looking for more opportunities to be involved? Competitive?
- UW-Whitewater offers over 30 club teams that regularly:
  - Practice/meet
  - Host other club teams from various organizations
  - Travel off-campus to compete
- Clubs accept new/returning members all year long
- Roster cuts are not permitted, although some roster sizes may be limited by rule
- Submit an interest form online or email [clubsports@uww.edu](mailto:clubsports@uww.edu)



# REC SPORTS EMPLOYMENT – JOIN OUR TEAM!

CAPTAIN'S MEETING

- Rec Sports is one of the larger on-campus employers here at UW-Whitewater
- Intramural Sports always looking for Officials and Scorekeepers
- Other positions include, but are not limited to:
  - Building Supervisors and Office Assistants
  - Fitness Supervisors & Group Fitness Class Instructors
  - Lifeguards
  - Equipment Room & Fieldhouse Attendants
  - Set-Up & Grounds Crew
- If interested, speak with us after today's presentation



# AVAILABLE RESOURCES

CAPTAIN'S MEETING

- Activity-specific rulebooks and the IM Sports Participant Handbook are available any time:
  - On-site with supervisors
  - Online via the Intramural Sports website
  - Online via the IMLeagues desktop site (not the app at this time)
  - Copies in Williams Center Room 100
- Various handouts and informational posters around campus
- Request a meeting with staff



# CONTACT US – WE'RE HERE FOR YOU

CAPTAIN'S MEETING

- Intramural Sports is part of the Office of Recreation Sports & Facilities
- Williams Center Room 100
- Typical Office Hours: 9:00 am to 6:00 pm, Mondays thru Fridays
- Staff are at activities in the evening; inquiries after 6:00 pm addressed as soon as possible
- No administrative hours on weekends
- Need our assistance for a Sunday contest? Contact us by early afternoon Friday at the latest
- Inform us of your concerns, suggestions & feedback – we appreciate hearing from you



# ANY QUESTIONS?

CAPTAIN'S MEETING

- Our staff will stick around as best we can to address any specific questions you may wish to address out of a group setting
- Do not forget to make sure your attendance is appropriately recorded!



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# ENJOY YOUR TIME WITH IM SPORTS!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP & PARTICIPATION • GOOD LUCK WITH YOUR SEASON!

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