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Section 1 - General Information

Article 1.1-Purpose

The purpose of this handbook is to establish policies and procedures that govern participation in the Intramural Sports program. Please note that it is the responsibility and expectation of each team/participant to know and understand these policies and procedures. The Office of Recreational Services reserves the right to amend these rules at any given time, if necessary. If you have any questions, concerns, comments, or suggestions please contact the Office of Recreational Services.

What are Intramural Sports? Intramurals Sports are structured, competitive and recreational sporting events that take places throughout the academic year. Activities involve team sports, individual or dual events, and special events.

Article 1.2-Assumption of Risk

There are certain risks of injury that are inherent to participation in sports and recreational activities. Injuries may be minor or serious and may result from the actions or inactions of themselves or others. Each participant assumes the risk of injury or harm caused by negligence or any intentional acts. The Office of Recreational Services has gone through great lengths to make all activities and facilities as safe as possible. However, neither The University of Toledo nor the Office of Recreational Services can assume responsibility for injuries incurred during practice for or participation in any formal or informal recreational programs. Each participant will be required to sign a Liability/Assumption of Risk Waiver prior to participating in each sport (via IMLeagues.com). Maintenance of good physical health and appropriate financial planning in the form of insurance in the event of a physical mishap can give you more peace of mind while participating.

Article 1.3-Health

The Office of Recreational Services believes that participation in recreational sports is a positive, healthy experience that provides enjoyment to our participants. To foster health benefits and maximize enjoyment for participants and student staff, consuming alcoholic beverages before, during, or on site after participation is a violation of University policy. As a result individuals or teams who violate this policy will not be eligible to participate, and will be required to meet with the Coordinator, Competitive Sports and Camps and the Competitive Sports and Camps Graduate Assistant. All participants are strongly urged to have a yearly medical examination and to carry medical insurance coverage. The Student Medical Center has information entitling all students to a special rate from an insurance company.

- **CONCUSSION PROTOCOL:**
 - Any participant who is suspected of having direct head-contact with another object with excessive force (floor, participant, etc...) will be removed from competition and will be evaluated by the Intramural Site

Manager. The participant reserves the right to return to competition if they deem, they are able to continue. Intramural Site Managers cannot diagnose a concussion but will “highly recommend” that participants not return to action or visit a licensed Medical Professional.

- Concussions are a very serious matter to the Office of Recreational Services, and participants need a sufficient amount of time to recover. A participant who seeks medical attention from a licensed medical professional is asked to provide a notification to resume all activities from a licensed medical professional before resuming intramural activity. We strongly advise all participants who suffer a head injury to be evaluated by a licensed medical professional.

For all Intramural COVID-19 policies and changes please refer to the “Intramural Sports COVID-19 Policies and Procedures” Document that can be found on IMLeagues and can be provided by the University of Toledo Office of Recreational Services upon request. The University of Toledo Office of Recreational Services will follow all Federal, State, Local, and University guidelines, procedures, and recommendations.

Article 1.4-Injuries, Open Wounds & Lacerations

Whenever an Intramural Sports participant suffers a laceration or wound where oozing or bleeding occurs, the competition shall be stopped at the earliest possible time, and the participant will be required to leave the field of play. The participant will not be allowed to return to the competition until the wound has been covered and the oozing or bleeding has stopped. Participation in sporting activities may cause injury and exposure to blood borne pathogens. Blood borne pathogens are pathogenic microorganisms that are present in human blood and can cause diseases in humans. These pathogens include, but are not limited to, Hepatitis B virus (HBV) and Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV). The Intramural Sports program, in compliance with Ohio Law HB 308, will make every effort to minimize exposure to its employees and participants. Because the intramural staff is trained and certified to respond to emergency and blood exposure situations, we ask that they be contacted immediately to respond to any injury.

The University and its staff are not held responsible for any injuries incurred while participating or as a spectator in the Intramural Sports program. All injuries should be reported to the game officials and Intramural Supervisor(s). All minor injuries can be handled by the supervisor with a first aid kit or the injured person may go, with assistance, to the Student Medical Center for treatment. All major injuries or emergencies will be handled immediately by the supervisor in charge by calling campus police at 419-530-2600 (x2600) and proceeding with First Aid/CPR as needed. Assistance will be sent as soon as possible. Medical expenses incurred such as ambulance, doctor bills and x-rays will be the responsibility of the participant.

Article 1.5-Website

IMLeagues.com will be the official source of information pertaining to Intramural Sports programs. IMLeagues.com shall contain current information regarding entry deadlines, meeting dates, event schedules and standings. Participants and team managers are urged

to check IMLeagues.com daily to keep posted on current notifications. Information will also be posted to the IMLeagues mobile application.

Section 2-How to Register

Article 2.1 IMLeagues.com

The information below provides the steps to creating an account/team on IMLeagues.com.

First Time participant/Create IMLeagues Account:

1. Go to IMLeagues.com.
2. Click [Sign Up](#)
3. Type “Toledo” in the box labeled “Select School/Organization” and select University of Toledo from the dropdown menu
4. You will be redirected to the UTREC Portal, click the blue UTAD button
5. Enter UTAD credentials
6. Click the Intramural Sports/IMLeagues button to create your account

View Sport Offerings:

1. Log into your [IMLeagues](#) Account
2. Click the “University of Toledo” link to go to visit the sport page
3. The current sports will be displayed, click on the sport you wish to join.
4. Choose the sport and the league you wish to play in (Women/Sorority, Men, Fraternity, CoRec, Open)
5. Choose the division you’d like to play in

You can join a sport in one of three ways:

- 1. Create a team (For team captains):**
 - a. Captains can invite members to their team by clicking the “Invite Members” link on the roster page. Any invited members must accept the invitation to be joined to your team.
 - b. If they’ve already registered on IMLeagues: search for their name, and invite them. If they haven’t yet registered on IMLeagues: scroll down to the “Invite by Email Address” box, and input their @rockets.utoledo.edu email address.
- 2. Join a team:**
 - a. Use the Create/Join Team Button at top right of every page.
 - b. Accept a request from the captain to join their team.
 - c. Find the team and captain name on division/league page and request to join.
 - d. Go to the captain’s player card page, view their team, and request to join

3. Join as a Free Agent:

- a. You can list yourself as a free agent in as many divisions within a league as you'd like. You will be visible to all participants in that sport and you can request to join teams, or post information about yourself so teams can request to add you to their team.

Article 2.2-Schedule of Events

Each semester's schedule of events, entry deadlines and the starting dates are published before the start of the upcoming semester. Additional activities and information are announced periodically through IMLeagues.com, Intramural Sports flyers and the Intramural website ([CLICK HERE](#)). All activities/dates may be subject to change.

Article 2.3-Registration and Fees

Registration deadlines are established to allow enough time to schedule the games and playoffs. **These deadlines will be strictly enforced. Registration will open roughly 2 weeks before league play begins and close at noon the Wednesday before league play begins.** Registration extensions may be given, they will be communicated by the Intramural Sports Staff. If the deadline has passed for an event in which you are interested, please contact the Coordinator, Competitive Sports and Camps to determine if spaces are available.

Intramural fees will be paid on an individual basis and will be paid as either league and sport fees, a semester fee, and/or an annual fee. The fee break downs are listed below with descriptions. These fees are due at the time of registration. Intramural fees will need to be paid online via IMLeagues. A roster will not be accepted and a team will not be officially registered for an event until the minimum number of players needed on the roster for that sport have completed their payment. **NO REFUNDS WILL BE GRANTED to teams that that forfeit out of a league. All refund request must be submitted to intramurals@utoledo.edu and they will be reviewed by the Coordinator, Intramural Sports and Youth Camps.**

Individual Fee Breakdown

Intramural League Pass

The intramural league pass will be a \$5 pass. This pass will allow the participant to sign up for one (1) single team for one single sport league. This pass can be purchased up to three times and after the third time will automatically become the intramural semester pass. If an individual's team Forfeits out of the league, they will not be refunded for their league pass.

Intramural Semester Pass

The intramural semester pass is a \$15 pass that allows the individual to participate in unlimited sports and leagues for the semester that it was purchased. Participants will still only be allowed to play on one single gender and one combined gender team per sport

league. This pass is non-refundable and if purchased, you will not be allowed to upgrade to the annual pass after the semester.

Intramural Annual Pass

The intramural annual pass is a \$25 pass that will allow for the individual to participate in unlimited sports leagues throughout the entire academic year. This pass will good for both the fall and spring semester but must be purchased during the fall semester. Once the annual pass is purchased, it is non-refundable.

Article 2.4-Free Agency

The free agent list is available for individuals seeking to play on teams. Individuals are encouraged to place their name in the Free Agent List on IMLeagues.com. If your team is short of players, please check this list for those students that are interested in participating. Free agents are encouraged to reach out to team captain's to gauge interest of being added to their roster.

Section 3-Eligibility Requirements

Article 3.1

Participants are responsible for their own eligibility. Furthermore, each player and team captain is responsible for checking the eligibility of their team members. Inquiring about eligibility in advance of contests precludes delays and potential disqualifications. The Office of Recreational Services will check the eligibility of players if an opposing captain lodges a protest or the Office of Recreational Services has reason to believe the person in question is not eligible.

Article 3.2

All students, faculty and staff members currently enrolled or working in any department or college of the University are eligible to participate in all intramural events and will remain eligible until they withdraw, graduate or fail to comply with the policies and procedures set forth in this handbook. Community members of the Student Recreation Center are not eligible to participate in the Intramural Sports Program. **All participants must present a valid UT Rocket Card to the Intramural Staff before the start of every scheduled contest.**

Article 3.3

Anyone who participates under an assumed name or uses someone else's ID is ineligible and will be suspended for a minimum of 1 game. In addition, the participant must meet with the Coordinator, Competitive Sports and Camps and the Graduate Assistant, Competitive Sports and Camps before they are ruled eligible. A team guilty of using such a player will forfeit all contests in which the ineligible player participated, and the team will not be eligible for playoffs.

Article 3.4-Intercollegiate Team Members and Junior/Community College Athletes

Intercollegiate Team Members: “Active” members, including red-shirts of the varsity or other intercollegiate teams are ineligible to participate in the same or related sport for a period of one (1) year from the date of their last intercollegiate competition. “ACTIVE” members shall be defined as any athlete who is on an intercollegiate team roster within one week of the intercollegiate team’s first scheduled contest.

Junior College/Community College: Athletes who have competed for a junior college or community college team are ineligible to compete in those sports or related sports during the same academic year.

Article 3.5-Professional/Semi-Pro Athletes

Any student, faculty or staff member who is or has been a professional player or athlete is ineligible for 5 years from the date of the last professional participation in that sport or a related sport. A professional/semi-pro player or athlete is defined as one who has received monetary remuneration for his/her athletic services.

Article 3.6-Sport Club Members

Sport club members are eligible to participate in intramural team sports. Teams will be limited to two (2) club athletes per team in the same or equivalent sport in which they participate. Club members are those persons who have participated in practices/games with club during the current academic year, paid membership dues to a club or are listed as a member of a club on the sport club roster on [Invonet](#).

Article 3.7-High School Students

High school/middle school students enrolled in the College Credit Plus program are not eligible to participate in Intramural Sport programs.

Article 3.8-Penalties

Any team or individual found guilty of violating any of the eligibility rules shall forfeit all contests in which ineligible players participated. The Office of Recreational Services will determine an individual’s eligibility to engage in future contests.

Article 3.9-Rocket Cards

All participants (including Health Science Campus students) must present a valid UT Rocket Card prior to participating in any Intramural Sports contest. Players forgetting their ID’s may present a Driver’s License, other form of picture ID or guest pass receipt in order to participate.

Section 4-Rosters

Article 4.1-Adding Players to Roster

Players may be added to the roster at any time during the regular season, provided the new players meet **ALL** eligibility requirements. Players may not be added to rosters during league playoffs. Team rosters freeze on the final day of competition during the regular season for league events. Only those players who have played for the team prior to entering league playoffs and were registered online with the team roster will be eligible to participate in playoffs. **Roster limits vary per sport. All participants must be on the roster prior to competing.**

In the case of sports beginning in double elimination tournament play (one-day tournaments), players may be added to the roster until the championship game provided new players meet all eligibility requirements. Only players that have played in a game prior to the championship game and were registered online with the team will be eligible to participate in the championship game.

Article 4.2-Team Participation

Any individual whose name appears on more than one team roster is considered to be an official member of that team for which he/she first plays and is not eligible to play for any additional team. **An individual may play on only one all male/female team and only one coed team.** A player listed on a score sheet cannot switch teams for the remainder of that sport, league or tournament (**exception: person did not participate in any contest(s).**)

Article 4.3 Transferring Teams

A player wishing to change teams after they have already played for another team will not be allowed to transfer. You must remain with the same team all season long. If, however, you appear on another team's roster but have not played for that team, you may request to transfer to another team by emailing intramurals@utoledo.edu. All transfer requests must be approved by Coordinator, Intramural Sports and Youth Camps.

Section 5-Captains Responsibilities

Article 5.1

Each team entering an Intramural Sports activity must have a captain. Captains must be listed on the official team roster. The captain should be interested in the welfare of the Intramural Sports Program as well as that of his/her team. He/she should be a capable and conscientious person who will serve as a liaison between the Intramural Sports Staff and the team. The role of the captain is crucial to the overall relationship between Intramural Sports Staff and the participants. Team captain's responsibilities include but are not limited to:

1. Completing IMLeagues.com registration.
2. Being familiar with the Intramural Sports Handbook rules and policies and ensure they are followed.
3. Maintaining team sportsmanship.
4. Holding teammates, coaches, and fans accountable for their actions during intramural play
5. Checking the schedule on IMLeagues.com for your team's schedule. (Information concerning date, time, location of contest will **not** be given via telephone by Intramural Sports staff due to potential for miscommunication and subsequent participant dissatisfaction).
6. Checking IMLeagues.com for any potential weather cancellations involving their team and passing that information along to his/her team.
7. Promptly responding to Intramural Sports Staff concerning schedule changes, eligibility inquiries, and player ejections.
8. Representing the team in the case of a protest.
9. Checking email/IMLeagues at least 3 times per week during sport season for updates and/or changes from the Intramural Sports Staff. **(Email is the fastest and easiest way to contact you with this information).**
10. Notifying the Coordinator/Graduate Assistant, Competitive Sports and Camps if their team will not be showing for a scheduled contest.
11. Making sure players are checked in at the game site with proper ID (rocket card) and proper attire/equipment.
12. Assist in identifying teammates who may be involved in incidents/ejections.
13. Inform ejected teammates of reinstatement procedures for intramural play and that he/she is suspended until the requirements for reinstatement are met.
 - a. Meet with Coordinator/Graduate of Competitive Sports and Camps
14. Completing required Captain's Quiz via IMLeagues.

Article 5.2-Contest Rules

Rules and regulations are designed for the **safety** and **protection** of all participants. It should be understood that by participating in Intramural Sports each individual has agreed to abide by all rules and regulations and is responsible for their own behavior. All contests shall be governed by Intramural rules adopted from NCAA, NIRSA, Ohio High School Athletic Association or amateur rules. Modifications will be made to adjust for risk, space, time and other constraints. The official rules for each sport will be made available to all participants via IMLeagues.com.

Section 6-Scheduling

Article 6.1-Playing Days and Times

For most team sports, team captains have the ability to select the team's playing day(s)/time(s) during registration on IMLeagues.com. Generally games are played Monday-Thursday, with some weekend exceptions. Game times range from 45 minutes to 1 hour. Schedules will be posted on IMLeagues.com.

Article 6.2- Process for Instant Scheduling

When the captain/team representative pays the league fee and register's online, they will review the schedule menu to select the league that best fits their needs. The leagues fill on a **first come, first served basis**. A team may change their selection as long there are slots available and the deadline has not passed. If leagues are full before the deadline, teams will then be placed on a waiting list on a first come, first served basis.

Article 6.3-Captain's Quizzes

A Captain's Quiz will must be completed during the team registration process. The passing score will vary per quiz (generally an 80% is required) and the captain must meet those requirements for their team to be successfully created. The quiz(zes) will highlight facility and intramural policies and procedure, as well as intramural sport rules.

Article 6.4-Tournaments/Playoffs

Upon completion of regularly scheduled league play or in the event of a double elimination tournament, it is the responsibility of the team captain to check the tournament brackets posted on IMLeagues.com to find the date and time of the next game.

Playoff eligibility is weighed heavily on team sportsmanship. Teams with an average sportsmanship rating of "3" will be eligible to participate in the playoffs. Playoff seeding will be automatically configured on IMLeagues.com and will take win percentage, head to head, points earned, and sportsmanship into consideration.

Playoff scheduling is not able to honor the times sports originally selected during regular season play. It is the team captain's responsibility to communicate with the Intramural Sports Staff, upon the release of the playoff schedule, if they are unable to make a contest. Playoff schedules are set, reschedules are not to be anticipated.

Article 6.5-Rescheduling

THERE IS NO GUARANTEE THAT GAMES CAN OR WILL BE RESCHEDULED. In order for games to be rescheduled, both teams must agree on a new time/date based off of what time slots are available and intramural staff scheduling. If both teams do not agree to the reschedule, the contest will be played at its originally scheduled date and time.

The only games that will be rescheduled are rain outs and cancellations made by the Intramural Sports Staff.

Article 6.6-Cancellations/Weather

In some cases, cancellations may be necessary due to inclement weather or facility scheduling concerns. **Teams should not assume that games are cancelled.** In the event of inclement weather, check IMLeagues.com an hour before scheduled game time for an update on the game schedule. IMLeagues.com will send out text messages to all captains

that have their phone numbers listed. Every effort will be made to reschedule cancelled/postponed games as best as space and time permits, however, we may not be able to reschedule all contests. The Intramural Sports Staff makes decisions regarding inclement weather as early as possible. Intramural Site Managers have the authority to postpone a contest in the event of inclement weather.

Section 7-Forfeits/Defaults

Article 7.1 Forfeits

A team may receive a forfeit for uniform/jewelry, no-show, arriving after the grace period has passed, not having the minimum number to participate (varies per sport), and not contacting the Intramural Sports Staff by default time (2:00pm). It is recommended that teams arrive 15-20 minutes prior to the start of each game in order to allow time to sign in and warm up. All forfeited games will be recorded as a loss and an automatic sportsmanship grade of 3 will be given. This policy will be unilaterally enforced. Two forfeits during any league sport will result in an automatic drop from league play and will make the forfeited team ineligible for playoffs.

Article 7.2-Defaults

If a team knows in advance that it will not be able to make a scheduled contest, the captain should contact the Intramural Sports Staff. A default will be granted to each team or individual that has notified the Intramural Sports Staff according to the following deadlines:

- Games scheduled Monday-Friday→ notification must be received by 2pm on the day of the scheduled game
- Games scheduled Saturday/Sunday→ notification must be received by 2pm on the Friday before the scheduled game
- Captains may contact the Intramural Sports Staff by notifying the Coordinator, Competitive Sports and Camps at (419) 530-3704 or by notifying the Competitive Sports and Camps Graduate Assistant at (419) 530-3716. This notification must come from the team captain only. All defaulted contests will be counted as a loss but will not affect sportsmanship scores.

Each team is allowed one default per league sport. Any other contest(s) not played will be counted as a forfeit. One default **will not** affect playoff status or sportsmanship but it **will** count as a **loss to the overall record**.

Article 7.3-Dropped from Play

Any team that forfeits 2 games in a given season will be immediately dropped from play for the remainder of that particular season. Teams are allowed to default one game per season and still remain eligible for competition. Teams that default tournament games in a double elimination tournament will remain eligible unless the defaulted contest results in the second loss. Teams that default more than one game will be dropped from further competition. **Forfeited and defaulted contests will not be rescheduled.**

Section 8-Protests

Article 8.1 How to submit Protest

Protests will not be accepted if they are based solely on a decision involving the accuracy of judgment by a game official. Protests will be accepted when concerning:

1. a misinterpretation of a playing rule
2. a misapplication of a rule to a given situation
3. failure to impose the correct penalty for a given violation
4. matters of player eligibility

In order to protest, the following procedures must be strictly observed.

1. The notification of the intent must be made at the point that the matter in question occurs, and immediately before play resumes.
2. The Intramural Site Manager on duty will then render a decision and play will resume.
3. From there, if the captain wishes to protest a decision that the Intramural Site Manager made they must submit a brief statement (via e-mail) concerning the protest and submit it to the Coordinator/Graduate Assistant, Competitive Sports and Camps.
4. All decisions rendered by the Coordinator/Graduate Assistant, Competitive Sports and Camps are final.

Article 8.2-Player Eligibility

Any team or individual protesting the eligibility of a player should have a sufficient reason to believe that the player is ineligible. To ensure honest sport competition, **protests of alleged eligibility violations must be made prior to games to the supervisor rather than waiting to determine the outcome of the contest.** The Intramural Sports Staff will check the eligibility of the accused player during the next business day.

Section 9-Officials

Article 9.1

The Office of Recreational Services encourages students from diverse backgrounds to consider employment opportunities within the Office of Recreational Services. Experience is not necessary (but preferred); the desire to learn and participate is. The Intramural Sports Staff will provide training to all officials. Every official will be required to attend training sessions, which may include:

- Official clinics and meetings
- Rules examination
- Observation of games

- Continual evaluation and performance feedback

Officials are University of Toledo students. They assume an important and difficult task. Their role is to produce a healthy sportsmanlike and enjoyable game situation.

Therefore, it is the responsibility of all participants to respect the judgment of the official. The Intramural Sports Staff will make every effort to obtain the best possible officials. Any student who wishes to work as an official should inquire via the University's job platform, [Handshake](#).

Section 10-Sportsmanship

Article 10.1

Every team (captain specifically) is responsible for the conduct of its players and fans. Any conduct judged as detrimental to the participants, program or any particular contest may result in loss of the contest, suspension of the individual player, suspension of the entire team, or further disciplinary action.

Article 10.2-Code of Conduct

The Student Code of Conduct should be reviewed by each student/participant. The entire Student Code of Conduct can be found by [CLICKING HERE](#).

Article 10.3-Sportsmanship Rating System

The team sports rating system will be instituted to provide additional sportsmanship regulations. Each team will be given a sportsmanship rating for each game by that game's officials. The rating will be given on a 1-5 point scale (1 being the worst, 5 being the best). Teams may be excluded from the playoffs if they are habitual offenders of the sportsmanship rating system or are determined to be detrimental to the Competitive/Intramural program and the other teams in that sport. The sportsmanship rating criteria includes but is not limited to the following examples:

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- Everyone showing concern for an injured athlete, regardless of team.
- Encouraging other people in attendance to display only sportsmanlike conduct.
- Only the captain of the team speaks to the officials about calls.
- Accepting all officials' decisions.
- Causes no problems during intramural contest.

SPM - 4

- Minimal complaints about calls to officials, in a respectful manor.
- Causes few to no problems during the game.
- Willing to cooperate with officials and other participants.

SPM - 3

- Technical fouls or penalties for unsportsmanlike behavior.
- Captains questioning several call by the officials.
- Participants mildly arguing with officials or other participants before, during or after the game.
- Any team that forfeits.

SPM - 2

- More than one technical foul or penalty for unsportsmanlike behavior
- Ejection for unsportsmanlike behavior (participants, coaches, or fans).
- Any use of profanities, gestures or disrespectful chants towards other participants or officials.
- Frequent complaints about calls to officials.
- Excessive non-captain participants questioning officials.
- Participants taunting officials or other participants before, during or after the game.
- Blaming loss of games on officials.

SPM - 1

- Multiple ejections for unsportsmanlike behavior (participants, coaches, or fans).
- Refusing to shake hands with opposing participants after the game.
- Using any racial or sexual remarks.
- Intolerable conduct to other participants or officials.
- Overly excessive complaints about calls to officials.
- Physical contact with other participants or officials outside of nature of sport.

Teams which win by a default or forfeit will receive a “5” sportsmanship rating. The forfeiting team will receive a “3” sportsmanship rating. The maximum sportsmanship rating possible is a “2” for games in which a player is ejected. Teams receiving a “2” or “1” rating during the playoffs must maintain their sportsmanship rating of a “3”. If a team’s average sportsmanship rating falls under a “3” that team will be eliminated from further competition in the playoffs. Any organization or individual suspended from Intramural activities due to violations of Intramural guidelines or sport rules must meet with the Coordinator, Competitive Sports and Camps and the Graduate Assistant of Competitive Sports and Camps prior to being reinstated in any Intramural activities.

Section 11- Player Conduct/Discipline

ARTICLE 11.1-EJECTIONS

Participants and spectators that choose to behave in an unsportsmanlike manner before, during, or after a contest, directed toward a participant, an official, or a staff member may

be ejected from that contest. Examples of unsportsmanlike conduct that will lead to an ejection include, but are not limited to: the use of profanity, vulgar and abusive language, disrespect toward an official or staff member, unnecessary roughness, technical fouls, flagrant actions toward an official or opponent, and fighting.

- **Leave the Playing Area:** Any player or spectator who is ejected from an intramural contest as a result of unsportsmanlike conduct is required to leave the facility and parking lots surrounding the area immediately. Failure to cooperate with the staff and leave the facility immediately will result in the intervention of UTPD. In addition, failure to cooperate and leave may result in the forfeiture of the current contest. Any second occurrence of unsportsmanlike conduct by a team may result in the team's forfeiture for the remainder of the intramural season.
- **Automatic Suspension:** Any player or spectator who is ejected from an intramural contest as a result of unsportsmanlike conduct is automatically suspended from all intramural activity until official reinstatement. All ejections result in a mandatory minimum 1 game suspension and a probationary period (see probation section). The suspension will not begin until after the suspended person has met with the Coordinator/Graduate Assistant for Competitive Sports and Camps. More games may be given if the Coordinator/Graduate Assistant for Competitive Sports thinks it's appropriate. Each incident will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis. Any player/team that is ejected must follow all reinstatement procedures (see reinstatement section).
- **Destruction of Property:** Any player or spectator who intentionally causes damage or destruction to equipment belonging to The University of Toledo or the Office of Recreational Services will be held responsible for all subsequent damages and any costs of repairs or replacement.
- **Abuse of UT Employee:** To verbally threaten, strike, or physically abuse any University of Toledo Office of Recreational Services employee (on shift) is strictly prohibited. A violation of these rules will be grounds for a mandatory minimum suspension for one year (year from date of infraction) of all Recreational Services, Programs, and Facilities. In addition, the case will be sent to the Office of Student Conduct and Community Standards where further sanctions may be enforced. Any and all types of abuse of the Office of Recreational Services Staff (professional and student) will not be tolerated.
- **Attempted Abuse of UT Employee:** Physical contact by a participant with intent to intimidate or harm a staff member or opponent will result in an immediate ejection and a mandatory minimum suspension for one year (year from date of infraction). Depending on the severity, further disciplinary actions could be taken. This includes the intent to physically strike, even though contact may not be made.
- **Fighting:** Any team, individual participants, or spectators that are involved in a fight (team fight or individual fight) will be immediately suspended for the remainder of that sports season. This is mandatory minimum suspension; further actions may be taken depending on the severity. Individual participants and instigators who are identified will face disciplinary action as well. Leaving the bench area will cause the team(s) to forfeit the contest, and each member of the

roster(s) will be placed on probation for 1 full semester (not including semester where infraction occurred). All incidents of fighting will be sent to the Office of Student Conduct and Community Standards.

ARTICLE 11.2-EJECTED/SUSPENDED PARTICIPANTS

Any individual (participant or spectator) ejected from an intramural contest must leave the facility (sight and sound) immediately upon notification by the Intramural Site Manager **and his/her team must play one person down**. If this results in dropping below the required minimum to participate the remainder of the game will be forfeited.

ARTICLE 11.3-PROBATION

All participants that are ejected from an intramural contest will be placed on probation for a determined amount of time (case by case/severity of act). Depending on the time of the semester, probation could carry over into the next Fall/Spring semester (summer is not considered a semester). If the participant is involved in any disciplinary violations while on probation, there will be grounds to suspend them for up to one calendar year/2 semesters of all Competitive/Intramural Sport activities. It is the Coordinator/Graduate Assistant of Competitive Sports and Camps discretion to determine the appropriate probation period.

ARTICLE 11.4-REINSTATEMENT

To be reinstated all ejected players must have requested, in writing, reinstatement of intramural privileges via e-mail within 1 week of the ejection. Failure to submit reinstatement letter/e-mail and make an appointment will result in a longer suspension (TBD). The items required in the reinstatement letter are listed below:

1. Outline of surrounding ejection.
2. Actions that led to the ejection.
3. Assurance that behavior will not occur again.
4. How the behavior will be avoided in the future.
5. Days/times you are available to meet.

Even if it is the last contest for their team, the ejected player(s) suspension will carry over to all intramural activities until all parts of the reinstatement process are completed.

Section 12-Additional Information

Article 12.1-Divisions

Fraternity -Any current student, faculty, or staff of an organized and recognized men's student organization of the University who identifies as male is eligible to participate in this division. This includes fraternities, social fraternities and other men's organizations.

Only one team from an organization may compete in the fraternity division. All other teams from that organization must enter the men's division.

Men - The men's division is open to all participants who identify as male students, faculty, or staff currently enrolled/employed at The University of Toledo.

Women - The women's division is open to all participants who identify as female students, faculty, or staff currently enrolled/employed at The University of Toledo. This division is a combination of the sorority and women's independent division.

Coed - The coed division is open to all male and female participants who are current students, faculty, or staff of The University of Toledo. This division may have rule adjustments

Open - The open division is open to all individuals regardless of identity who are current students, faculty, or staff of The University of Toledo.

Article 12.2 Uniforms and Equipment

All intramural teams/participants must meet the uniform requirements. Please read the sport specific rules/manuals for minimum uniform requirements. The Intramural Sports Staff will provide equipment available for checkout for certain sports. The Intramural Site Manager on shift will retain rocket cards when Intramural equipment is borrowed and until the equipment is returned. Shoes **must** be worn for all events. Non-marking rubber-soled shoes must be worn in the gymnasium. No metal spikes or cleats, or boots are allowed for any sport. "Five Finger" shoes/slippers are not accepted as athletic shoes. Personal equipment (footballs, basketballs, softball bats etc...) may be used provided it meets the standards set by the Intramural Sports Staff and is approved by the game officials and the opposing team's captain. Participants must cover any exposed wounds/scabs with bandage/clothing to prevent the spread of infection. **NO JEWELRY IS ALLOWED DURING INTRAMURAL COMPETITION.** No bandages/tape to cover jewelry is allowed, jewelry must fully be removed.

Article 12.3-Alcohol/Drugs/Tobacco Policy

Smoking and any other tobacco use is strictly prohibited in all UT facilities. In order to maintain a safe playing environment for everyone, possession and/or consumption of alcoholic beverages (or any other illegal substances) is strictly prohibited in all recreation facilities. Furthermore, any person (participants, coaches and spectators alike) who appears to be intoxicated or under the influence of an illegal substance will be removed from the Student Recreation Center or designated playing area and may face further disciplinary action.

Please see **Page 7 (Code of Conduct)** of the UToledo REC Building policies and procedures ([CLICK HERE](#)).

Article 12.4 – Title IX information

Administrative Contact Information

Complaints or notice of alleged Title IX policy violations, or inquiries about or concerns regarding Title IX policy and procedures, may be made internally to:

Vicky Kulicke, Director Title IX and Compliance & Title IX Coordinator
Office of Title IX and Compliance
Mail Stop 137
2801 W . Bancroft St.
Toledo, OH 43606-3390
Snyder Memorial Hall 1120
(419) 530-4191
titleix@utoledo.edu
<https://www.utoledo.edu/title-ix/>

Inquiries may be made externally to:

Office for Civil Rights (OCR)
U.S. Department of Education
400 Maryland Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20202-1100
Customer Service Hotline #: (800) 421-3481
Facsimile: (202) 453-6012
TDD#: (877) 521-2172
Email: OCR@ed.gov
Web: <http://www.ed.gov/ocr>

The University of Toledo does not discriminate in its employment practices or in its educational programs or activities on the basis of sex/gender. UToledo also prohibits retaliation against any person opposing discrimination or participating in any discrimination investigation or complaint process internally or externally. Reports of sexual harassment and discrimination questions regarding Title IX, and concerns about noncompliance should be directed to the Title IX Coordinator. For a complete copy of the policy or for more information, contact Title IX Coordinator Vicky Kulicke. Phone: 419. 530.4191. Email: titleix@utoledo.edu. Mailing address: Office of Title IX and Compliance, Mail Stop 137, The University of Toledo, 2801 W. Bancroft St., Toledo, OH 43606. Website: utoledo.edu/title-ix. External contact is the Assistant Secretary of Education within the Office for Civil Rights (OCR). Website: ed.gov/ocr.

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