



Mohawk College of Applied Arts and Technology  
ATHLETICS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT

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**COMMON SPORTS RULES**

**Registration Process:**

1. Completed roster forms must be submitted to the DBARC front desk before the Sport Entry Deadline. In the event that the maximum numbers of teams have registered, selection will be determined on a first come, first serve basis.
2. An official team entry must consist of enough players to meet the minimum player requirement of that sport or free agents will be added to the roster at the discretion of the Campus Recreation Coordinator or League Convener.
3. Individuals interested in participating but unable to form a team may enter the free agent list.
4. If there is an Entry Fee/Performance Bond required it must be paid before or at the Captain's Meeting of each sport/activity or teams will be subject to removal. Note: Ice Hockey must be paid in full to hold your position in the league.

**Eligibility:**

1. All **Full-Time** postsecondary fee-paying students are eligible to participate in the Intramural/Extramural Program. In addition, staff/faculty/part time students who carry membership in the DBARC are eligible to participate in intramurals only. Note: Eligibility checks will be done prior to the start of the league or tournament.
2. Student identification cards must be presented to conveners before the start of each game. NO EXCEPTIONS.
3. Current/former varsity players are eligible to participate in the sport they play intercollegiate in, however their participation is limited. One varsity athlete (current student or alumni) can participate in their respective sport unless in a sport of 7 or more players where two may participate. Varsity athletes must indicate status on the team sign-up sheet.
4. Players may only play for one team per sport.
5. Only players listed on the entry forms/rosters are entitled to play. Additions are made by registering before taking part in the game. No additions may be made after the *final registration deadline*, which will take place near the midway point of each individual season.

**Regulations:**

1. Team Captains' meetings are mandatory. A representative from your team must be present; if not your team will be subject to removal from the league.
2. It is the Team Captain's responsibility to ensure that all players are well versed in the rules of play.
3. No rescheduling of games; however, the Campus Recreation Coordinator will consider special circumstances with proper notification (eg. Snow days, rain dates etc.).
4. Five minutes, after the start time, will be allowed for a team to field the minimum number of eligible players. After this period, a default will be called.
5. It is the team captain's responsibility to sign the game sheet at the conclusion of each game and to ensure that all information is correct and that all players have registered.
6. Dress codes and protective equipment will be enforced, where applicable.
7. Teams are responsible for those spectators on their bench or sideline. Teams may be penalized if those individuals behave inappropriately.

**Forfeits and Postponements:**

1. One default = Warning for removal from the league. Two defaults = Automatic removal from the league.
2. In the event of a forfeit, non-scheduled play may be permitted at the discretion of the Coordinator/Convener.
3. Postponements due to inclement weather may occur. Check with the DBARC Front Desk (905-575-2317 or 2744) or our social media outlets by 4:00pm on game day for cancellations.

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**Protests:**

1. Protests will be considered where a team can prove the use of an ineligible player or an improper application of the rules that affected the outcome of a competition.
2. Protests WILL NOT be considered on the basis of judgment calls or equipment used.
3. The captain of the protesting team must submit, in writing, a legible report to the Recreation Administrator (Room R1105) by 4:00pm the day following the game under protest.

**Officials:**

1. Officials are in charge of the game. All officials' decisions are FINAL.
2. Abuse WILL NOT BE TOLERATED. Verbal abuse of officials will result in ejection from the game and a suspension to follow. Anyone striking/pushing an official will be immediately suspended from all Campus Recreation activities indefinitely and offences will be brought to Mohawk College's Student Behavior Policies attention.

**Disciplinary Action:**

1. Unsportsmanlike conduct and fighting are not tolerated in any Campus Recreation activities. Suspensions will be handed out based on the severity of the incident in relation to the sport in question.
2. Any player who uses profane language or makes demeaning/intimidating remarks directed at any player or official will be assessed with an unsportsmanlike conduct penalty and possible ejection from the league/tournament will be considered. Verbal threats are a serious matter and will be handled as such.
3. Any fight will result in an automatic removal from the game being played, and an automatic suspension for the players involved. Fighting: 1 punch = a fight
4. Players can be suspended for any conduct not conducive to the philosophy of Campus Recreation.
5. Teams under certain circumstances may also be suspended.
6. Any player facing possible suspension is encouraged to contact the Athletics & Recreation office the day following the incident.
7. All suspensions occurring in one semester that may carry over to the next semester will be fully served unless noted otherwise by the appeal committee.
8. After a suspension has been served, the penalized participant's probation period will be one full academic year.

**Appeal Procedure:**

1. All suspensions of more than one game are appealable.
2. All appeals are to be in writing and addressed to the Director, Student Engagement and Recreation Administrator.
3. After receiving the suspension notification the suspended team or player must submit the appeal by 4:00pm on the following day.
4. The player is not permitted to participate in any Campus Recreation Program for which the suspension covers while the appeal is being processed.

**Alcohol and Drug Policy**

1. At no time should an individual participate in a Campus Recreation Intramural event if they are under the influence of alcohol or non-prescription drugs. Consumption of alcohol by coaches, active players, bench players and spectators is prohibited. Teams are responsible for those spectators on their bench or sideline. Teams will be penalized if those individuals are inappropriate. If a player is found to be under the influence of alcohol or drugs (discretion of the official(s) on duty), Campus Recreation reserves the right to ask the player in question, to leave the contest. That player may be assessed a one year suspension. If the player, in question does not comply, that team will be assessed a game forfeit and the contest will not continue. The team will lose half of their bond fee and the captain must make an appointment with the Recreation Administrator before their next schedule game. Failure to do so will result in the team's removal from the league.

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