



IFC SPORTS HANDBOOK INTERFRATERNITY COUNCIL

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This handbook is designed to establish consistent standards and rules in sports competition for the Interfraternity Council in keeping with IFC policies. The purpose of IFC Sports is to provide an athletic challenge for the Emporia State University fraternity community.

PLAYER ELIGIBILITY

Eligibility Requirements

1. Any student is eligible to participate if he is affiliated with an Interfraternity Council Greek chapter and is currently on that chapter's roster as a new or active member and is enrolled as a full-time student at Emporia State University.
2. In order to participate in IFC Sports Competition a fraternity member must have a cumulative grade point average of 2.2 and not be on academic or disciplinary probation.
3. A player may not represent his Greek organization if he has been on that same sport's ESU roster for any length of time in that same semester or season. This includes individuals who are or were on red shirt status.
4. Each individual must compete under his own name.
5. Roster additions will not be allowed within five (5) business days prior to an IFC sports event. For weekend tournaments, this means additions must be made by the previous Friday.

Eligibility Exceptions

1. First semester freshmen- those who have not attended any universities- are not held to requirement two (2) listed above and may participate regardless of grade point average.
2. Any active senior not requiring full-time enrollment status to graduate will be allowed eligibility for one (1) semester.

LIABILITY

Participants should be aware of the risks and hazards involved in participation in intramural sports. They should voluntarily elect to participate, recognize conditions present, and agree to voluntarily assume all risks of loss, damage, or injury that may be sustained while participating in any Greek intramural activity.

The Center for Student Involvement and Interfraternity Council will not assume any responsibility for costs involved with individual injury or personal property damage incurred in connection with participation with a Greek intramural event.

Individuals should keep in mind that they should be aware of their own personal circumstances to determine if they have adequate insurance or protection in case of any injury as a result of participation in an IFC activity.

Each man participating in any IFC sport must sign his liability sheet before the first sport in each semester to be eligible for IFC sports.

GENERAL RULES

The IFC Judicial Review Board maintains direct jurisdiction over this document. Any alleged violations of the aforementioned rules or the rules to follow are to be referred to the Judicial Review Board immediately for further investigation unless stated otherwise. Any interpretations of the document or disagreement with alleged charges are also to be reported to the Judicial Review Board.

FORFEITS

If a team fails to appear at the designated site within ten (10) minutes following a game's scheduled starting time, the contest is declared a forfeit with the proper official's verification. A team must start a contest with the required number of players as stated in the adhering rules for that sport. Any team using an ineligible or illegal player will be forced to forfeit each contest in which he participated. Forfeited games will not be rescheduled. If a team forfeits one game, then all the games that team played will be declared as forfeits for tie breaking purposes. A forfeiting team will be responsible for payment of the officials for that contest, unless the IFC Activities chairman receives prior notification no more than 48 hours after that particular sport's schedule is set.

PROTESTS

No protests based on judgment of an official will be accepted. It is the responsibility of the game officials, team captains, and IFC Activities Chairman to note the precise situation which is being contested at the time of a protest. Any suspected infraction of IFC policies dealing with IFC sports will be handled by the IFC Judicial Board.

SPORTSMANSHIP

In order to encourage proper conduct during games, officials, administrative personnel and supervisors shall make decisions on whether to warn, penalize or eject players or teams for poor sportsmanship. These decisions are final. The IFC Judicial Board will rule on further penalties as a result of unsportsmanlike conduct: profanity, unnecessary delay of the game, striking or shoving an opponent (automatic ejection from the game), arguing with officials concerning decisions (discussing is allowed as long as it is done in a mature manner by the team captain), derogatory and abusive remarks toward an opponent, any action, intended to physically injure an opponent, or any action which shows disregard for the rules or policies of the IFC Sports program. A player involved in a fight will be suspended for the rest of that sport.

TIE BREAKERS

All tie breakers will be based upon the head-to-head games of the teams involved in the tie.

Individual Sports

1. Head to Head result
2. Total Games Won
3. Total Games Lost
4. Total Points scored against
5. Total Points scored

Sports Trophy

1. Head to Head record in all sports.
 - a. Record is a combination of all sports
 - b. Not overall finish in each sport, but who won each game
2. Most first place finishes.

CHOOSING THE OFFICIALS

The IFC Activities chairman is responsible for choosing the officials for IFC activities. The officials chosen cannot be an active or new member affiliated with any Emporia State University fraternity.

CONDUCT TOWARD OFFICIALS

Any individual, player or spectator who directs abusive or threatening remarks toward an official which results in ejection from that sport shall be prohibited from attending the rest of that sport.

Any individual shoving or striking an official shall become permanently ineligible for IFC sports. The conduct of the players and spectators before and after the game is just as important as the conduct during the game and a team will be held responsible for its conduct at these times.

ALCOHOL & DRUGS

Alcohol or drugs are not allowed in or on state property.

Alcohol or drugs are prohibited at any IFC event

1. Consumption of alcohol and/or illegal drugs during any IFC event is prohibited.
2. If a person in attendance of an IFC sports activity is found with alcohol or drugs and is affiliated with a fraternity, (ie: new member, active member, or alumni) a direct violation of the constitution has occurred.
3. If a person in attendance of an IFC sports activity is found with alcohol or drugs and is linked in association with a specific fraternity, (ie: parents, spectators, or potential members) it is that specific fraternity's responsibility to:
 1. Approach said individual and require that they leave the area.
 2. Report the incident to IFC Activities Chairman, IFC President, the Assistant Director of Student Involvement for Greek Life, Campus Police or any other officer of IFC, to inform them of what has happened.

GAME RULES

GOLF

All IFC rules will comply with the official United States Golf Association (USGA) rule book.

Team Organization

Each chapter, respectively, will have two (2), two-man teams; four (4) players total.

Best ball format will be used for each of the two-man teams.

Each team will keep score for themselves and any other team in their group.

Play

They will play two (2) 9-hole rounds or one (1) 18-hole round determined by the IFC Activities Chairman.

Play the ball up everywhere, can move a card-length no nearer to the hole; can pickup and clean ball (need to mark when doing so).

Play from the white tees.

Scoring

Each of the two (2), two-man teams will have a score for their round. The total of both two-man team scores of each chapter will determine the place of finish.

Tie Breaker

In the event of a tie for first place, each chapter will choose one of their two-man best ball teams to play a sudden death playoff(one hole at a time), according to USGA rules. In the event of a tie for second and third or third and fourth, the respective sweepstakes points will be added together then divided by two (2), rounding up.

All rules/guidelines listed under player eligibility and general rules sections of this handbook will apply.

SOCCER

The FIFA rules will be used with the modifications listed below.

Each team will consist of 9 players. A team can start play with 7 players.

Regulation Play

1. Games will consist of 2 twenty minute halves.
2. There will be a 5 minute halftime for each game.
3. Each team has free substitutions throughout regulation.
4. The goal keeper can change at any time with someone on the field.
5. The clock will stop at the referee's discretion.

Overtime

There will be one (1) five minute overtime period if necessary.

After the overtime period, a shootout consisting of 5 players who are on the field at the end of the last overtime will begin.

The goal keeper can be changed at any time during the shootout with someone already on the field.

FLAG FOOTBALL

Flag Football will operate under the Emporia State University Recreation Center rules.

BASKETBALL

Basketball will operate under the Emporia State University Recreation Center rules.

BOWLING

American Bowling Congress (ABC) rules will be used during the IFC tournament with a few modifications below:

Rules

All rules/guidelines listed under the player eligibility and general rules sections of this Handbook will apply.

Team

Each team participating in the tournament will consist of no more than five (5) bowlers.

Scoring

Each bowler will bowl three (3) games. The scores of the three (3) games will be added to determine placing in tournament. Each team will select four (4) of its bowlers' scores to represent their team in each game. The addition of the 12 games will determine team place.

Scratch tournament format will be used for scoring (no handicaps).

League style play will be used for lanes. This means switching lanes for each game.

Tie

In the event of a tie, a one-game roll-off between one player from each of the tied teams will be used as a tie breaker.

VOLLEYBALL

Volleyball will operate under the Emporia State University Recreation Center rules.

SOFTBALL

Softball will operate under the Emporia State University Recreation Center rules.