General

- All participants must check in with a Competitive Sports supervisor using their Blugold ID card. The Blugold ID must have a clear name, ID number and picture. No other form of identification may be used to check in.
  - If an individual loses their Blugold ID card and cannot replace it before a contest, they may contact the Competitive Sports Office before 2pm on the day of their game to be granted an exception for that night. This exception may only be used once by an individual.
- Team rosters are capped at twice the number of players that field a full team.
- Players may play on 1 single-gendered team and 1 co-rec team per sport per division. Participants are limited to a maximum of four (4) teams per league.
- Teams may have no more than two (2) club sport athletes on a team in their given sport.
- Players can join teams at any point during the season.
- Inclement weather-based decisions will be evaluated by 4pm. If games remain scheduled, decisions will be made by the Competitive Sports supervisor staff on an hour-by-hour basis. The IM Sports Facebook Page (https://www.facebook.com/uwecintramuralsports/) will provide updates throughout the night. If a game is cancelled an hour before its scheduled time, the captain will be contacted via phone and/or email.
- No jewelry may be worn. Individuals will be removed from a contest until jewelry is removed.

Eligibility

Who is eligible?

- All active and enrolled students at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire are eligible. If it is passed the day fees are due, students must have paid their activities fees to remain eligible.
- CVTC students are eligible for Outdoor sports only with the purchase of a IIA card that can be purchased on the CVTC campus in the Student Life Office. CVTC students must present their CVTC ID to check-in with a supervisor.
- Faculty and Staff members are also eligible.
- Spouses of faculty and staff members are eligible with the purchase of a valid gym membership and must present their Blugold ID to participate.
• If an individual appears on an official intercollegiate squad list for less than 3 weeks, they are eligible for the related sport(s).

Who is ineligible?

• If an individual does not fall under one of the categories of “Eligible” players, they are considered ineligible. There are various types of ineligible players:
  o Types of ineligible players
    ▪ If an individual is not a current active student, they are ineligible.
    ▪ Non-university affiliated faculty/staff members
    ▪ If it’s after the student fees deadline and an individual has not paid their fees, they are ineligible.
    • If the captain/player believes there is a mistake, the player in question AND the captain can sign a form acknowledging the potential forfeit if the player is ineligible.
      o The office will email the captain & player the next day outlining that it’s confirmed the player doesn’t have membership, provide Membership Services contact and apply forfeit (3)
    ▪ If a player has been suspended for an ejection or other misconduct within Campus Recreation, they are ineligible.
    • If a player is suspended, the Competitive Sports Office will email the player and their captain(s) to alert them of the suspension as soon as it happens. Once the player meets with at least 1 member of the Competitive Sports Admin team, their captain(s) will be alerted of when the individual becomes eligible again.
    • If a suspended player plays, the team receives a 1 sportsmanship rating
    ▪ If a player is attempting to play for multiple teams in the same division, they are ineligible.
    ▪ If a player has not properly checked in and is discovered to be playing and/or have played, they are ineligible.
    ▪ If an individual appears on an intercollegiate squad list for more than 3 weeks, they are ineligible for the related sport(s) during that academic year.
    ▪ If an individual appears on an intercollegiate squad list for 4 or more years, they are ineligible for 1 full academic year following the final academic year they were listed on the squad list.
    ▪ If an individual play a sport professionally, they are ineligible for 5 academic years following their last year as a professional.
  • If an ineligible player (that isn’t suspended) plays, they are ejected as soon as they are identified. The game continues as normal. The next day, the forfeit procedure takes place.
    o For the first offence, the team will receive a 3-sportsmanship rating
    o For the second offence, the team will be removed from the league
Divisions

- Men’s
- Women’s
- Co-Rec
- Open: No gender restrictions

*The Competitive Sports Program reserves the right to combine leagues and divisions in the event there are not enough teams to fill a designated division or league*

Registration + Team Fees

- All registration can be completed at imleagues.com/uwec
- All team fees will be processed online at imleagues.com/uwec at the time of team registration. Fees will vary by sport.
- Registrations for blocks and tournaments will last one week in length running from Thursday-Thursday, opening at 10am and closing at 12pm respectively

Playing Schedules, Rescheduling, Playoffs

All schedules will be created and posted on IMLeagues once the registration period is complete. Team captain’s will be informed of the schedules once they have been created. Rescheduling requests will only be honored for weather related instances and with prior approval from the Competitive Sports Coordinator. Playoffs will be offered for most sports. Teams must have a minimum of 4 sportsmanship rating to qualify for playoffs. The number of teams that make playoffs will be limited to the top finishing teams in each league. The number of teams permitted into playoffs depends upon total registrations, the allotted time for playoffs, and field space. The Competitive Sports Coordinator will communicate how many teams will make playoffs for each sport after the close of registration.

Captain’s Meetings

There will be a mandatory captain’s meeting held the Sunday prior to each respective block starting. Captain’s meetings will only be required for specified sports. Please check imleagues.com/uwec for your specific sport to see if your sport requires a captain’s meeting.

Captains Terms & Conditions

- You must verify the eligibility of all players on your team. This includes:
  - They have a valid Blugold ID and check in with the supervisor.
  - They are considered eligible.
  - They are not an ineligible player.
  - They are not currently suspended.
  - They are in appropriate playing attire.
  - If a player is suspected as ineligible at the fields/courts, you may sign a FORM to allow that player to play with the understanding that the game could be retroactively forfeited.
- You must understand the sportsmanship policy. It is outlined fully HERE, but here are the major points:
In order to play in the playoffs, your team must have a sportsmanship rating of a 4 or higher.
Once in the playoffs, your rating must remain at a 4 or above to advance.
Your sportsmanship rating takes many things into account, including the following:
- Player actions
- Fan actions
- Coaches actions
- Trash left behind
Sportsmanship ratings are determined by the officials during the game, the supervisors at the complex, and it is reviewed by the Competitive Sports Office after the games. Sportsmanship ratings are subject to change up until the end of the regular season.

You must understand the forfeit and default policy. You can read the entire policy HERE or read the major points:
- If your team does not show up to its scheduled regular season competition and does not contact the Competitive Sports Office during office hours, your team will receive a 2-sportsmanship rating
- If you would like to Default a game, you must contact the IM Office by 2pm the day of the game (or noon on Friday for weekend competitions) to inform them you will not be playing. Doing so will give your team a 4-sportsmanship rating
- If you call to Default your game after 2pm, your team will forfeit the competition, and receive a 3-sportsmanship rating

After registration closes, you cannot play on another team in the same division. Please confirm with your team members. If you’re unable to field a team, you will not be able to play this IM Sport for this season, and you must remain on this unfilled team for the duration of the season.

All alcohol, drugs, vaping, and other banned substances are strictly prohibited from intramural competition

**Forfeits & Defaults**

**Forfeits**
- If a team does not show up for a scheduled game with the minimum number of eligible players, they receive a 2-sportsmanship rating

**Defaults**
- In order to avoid a forfeit fee, the team captain must inform the IM Office their team will not be participating.
- In order to ensure a proper Default is recorded and receive the maximum sportsmanship points, the captain must contact the IM Office by 2pm the day of the game or noon Friday before a weekend event. If the team calls by 3pm, they receive a 4-sportsmanship rating.
- If the team calls after 2pm and a replacement can be found, the team is given a 4-sportsmanship rating.
- If a team calls after 3pm and a replacement cannot be found, the team is given a 3-sportsmanship rating.
Protests

- No rules interpretation protest will be accepted for consideration unless it is done immediately. The intramural supervisor may be called upon to settle the appeal, but only if the appeal is made before the next play begins. The team captain should tell the official they wish to protest the ruling and indicate clearly that he/she wants play stopped until the protest is resolved or written-up.

- Rulings involving the official’s judgment are not subject to protest (Examples: Out/safe calls, balls/strikes, in/out of bounds, or fair/foul calls).

- All protests, except on eligibility, must then be submitted in writing upon an IM Protest Form only to the Intramural Coordinator by the close of the next working day.

- If a protest is made on behalf of someone’s eligibility, it must be done so before the contest. If a protest on eligibility is made after the contest, the result will stay the same, even if the player is found to have been ineligible.

- If a protest takes place during a championship game and cannot be resolved at the time of the protest, no championship awards will be given out until the Intramural Coordinator makes a ruling on the protest.

Sportsmanship

Team Conduct

- A team’s sportsmanship will be evaluated each game by the officials, reported and re-evaluated by the supervisors, and then reviewed by the Competitive Sports Office the next day.

- Sportsmanship ratings will be given based on the behavior of players, coaches, and spectators. They will also be judged on actions before, during, and after contests.

- Sportsmanship will be evaluated on a 1 – 6 scale. The scale guidelines are as follows:
  - 6 – Good or Exemplary sportsmanship
  - 5 – Generally good sportsmanship
  - 4 – Good sportsmanship with at least one player or incident that was poor sportsmanship. If a team receives a technical, yellow card, unsportsmanlike conduct penalty, they cannot receive a higher than a 4.
  - 3 – Multiple players/incidents that displayed poor sportsmanship, or one player/incident of egregiously poor sportsmanship. If a player is ejected, the team cannot score higher than a 3.
  - 2 – Poor sportsmanship displayed consistently throughout the contest with few/no examples of any good sportsmanship.
  - 1 – Egregiously poor sportsmanship.

- A team must have an average sportsmanship rating of a 4 or higher to qualify for the playoffs.

- Once in the playoffs, the regular season average counts as one score, and the team must remain at or above a 4 average.
  - If a team’s sportsmanship rating drops before a 4 in the playoffs, they have a one game probationary period to get their rating above a 4. If they cannot mathematically obtain a 4, they do not receive a probationary game, and they’re forfeited out of the playoffs.
Player Conduct

- Players are held to a standard of good sportsmanship. If a player does not adhere to that standard, they can be removed from a contest by any Competitive Sports employee.
- If a player is ejected from a contest, they are immediately ineligible to play in all other contests until they meet with someone from the Competitive Sports Admin team.
- If a player’s conduct is deemed unacceptable by the Competitive Sports Admin team, they may refer the player to Student Conduct for review. No reinstatement procedures will take place within IM Sports until the review has been completed by Student Conduct.
- Below are prohibited actions and the minimum length of suspension:
  - Disrespect toward staff or official – 1 week
  - Unsportsmanlike or Combative Behavior – 1 week
  - Signing in under false name – 2 weeks
  - Intentionally contacting an opponent outside of the scope of the contest – 2 weeks
  - Playing under the influence of alcohol or drugs – 1 semester
  - Intentionally contacting an IM Sports official or supervisor – 1 year

Reinstatement Procedures

- Once the ejected/suspended participant sets up a meeting with the Competitive Sports Admin team, they must arrive to the meeting in a timely manner. If they do not show up to the meeting, regardless of the reason, they will be unable to meet with the Competitive Sports Admin team for 1 additional week.
- The meeting between the ejected participant and member of COMPETITIVE SPORTS Admin team will determine how long the individual will be suspended. If the participant does not agree with the suspension length, they can appeal to the Intramural Sports Advisory Board (see below).
- If a suspended player plays while suspended, the team receives a 1 sportsmanship rating and the captain is assessed a forfeit fee. In order to eliminate any confusion of what players can and cannot play, the COMPETITIVE SPORTS Office will email the player and their captain(s) to alert them of the suspension as soon as it happens. Once the player meets with at least 1 member of the COMPETITIVE SPORTS Admin team, their captain(s) will be alerted of when the individual becomes eligible again.

Intramural Sports Advisory Board

- The Intramural Sports Advisory Board is used as an appeals committee for suspensions handed down to participants by the Intramural Sports Program. The board will render the final verdict in case of an appeal.
- The Advisory Board process will take a minimum of 3 weeks to gather the team and set a hearing date. The suspended participant will not be eligible during the appeal process.
- The board consists of five individuals broken down as follows (1 representative from each):
  - Men’s Independent
  - Women’s Independent
  - COMPETITIVE SPORTS Student Staff
• 2 additional members from any of the above groups
  ● The chairman of the board will be selected by the COMPETITIVE SPORTS Admin team and will only vote on the decision if there is a split decision.
  ● Three members of the board must be present for the appeal to be heard.

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Assumption of Risk

All individuals who participate in Recreation and Sport Operations activities will be doing so at their own risk. The University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire and its Board of Trustees are not responsible for any injury that may occur to individuals participating in any Recreation and Sport Operations activity. Participation in any Recreation and Sport Operations activity is on a purely voluntary basis. Individuals are encouraged to have a physical examination and