



WESTERN COLLEGIATE CLUB HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

2011-2012 LEAGUE RULES

- 1) Each team in the league must be registered with the ACHA for Division II and maintain good standing with the National Governing Body. *(2003)*
- 2) League game play rules are the same as those used in ACHA non-conference/tournament play: 8 minute warm-up (minimum), 20 minute periods, and a 5 minute OT period featuring 4 on 4 play. *(2003)*
- 3) The winner of the conference tournament will be crowned conference champion. *(2003)*
- 4) The teams will be ranked 1-8 for the conference tournament based on points- 2 for a win, 1 for a tie, and 0 for a loss. **There are no points awarded in the conference standings for an overtime loss.** Tie breakers are, in order: head to head record, head to head goal differential, overall goal differential, total goals scored, and coin flip by commissioner. *(2003)*
- 5) Each team will play 14 conference games, two against each other conference member, which will count towards the league standings. Aside from the two games scheduled by the conference commissioner, teams are free to schedule additional games with conference opponents that do not count toward the conference standings. *(2009, amended 2010)*
- 6) FORFEIT RULE - games will be scored as a 1-0 win. If a game/series is cancelled, the presumption will be that the away team caused the cancellation and therefore forfeited the game. However, evidence can be provided by either team to show, on a preponderance of the evidence, the home team was at fault. *(2003, amended 2010)*
- 7) The league schedule for the upcoming year will be released during the prior season. Each team will play one series against every other team in the conference, a series consisting of two games. Each team will play at least three home series and three away series per year. The league schedule works on a two-year rotating basis, where one year a team will host a given opponent and the next year they will travel to that opponent. For example:
 1. Year 1 – Team A hosts Team B, Team A travels to Team C
 2. Year 2 – Team A travels to Team B, Team A hosts Team C
 3. Year 3 – repeat Year 1
 4. Year 4 – repeat Year 2Teams are responsible to rearrange any conflicts they have with the proposed conference schedule and inform the commissioner of any changes. *(2009, amended 2010)*
- 8) ACHA approved/individualized team contracts should be used in scheduling games. The home team shall provide ACHA game scoresheets for all home games. *(2003)*



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- 9) All other ACHA/NCAA/USA hockey rules must be followed in game play. *(2003)*
- 10) League fees are to due (postmarked by) October 31, 2010, absent approval of an extension by the Commissioner. *(2010)*
- 11) Failure to pay League dues by the deadline shall result in a \$50 late fee. *(2011)*
- 12) League correspondence is done by email. Failure to respond in a timely manner to requests by other conference teams or the commissioner may be grounds for discipline. *(2010)*
- 13) Discipline, which may include a reprimand, fine, suspension, or expulsion, is assessed at the sole discretion of the Commissioner. *(2010)*
- 14) All-Conference selections will be announced each season at the conference tournament. The All-Conference selections will include a first team (3 F, 2 D, 1 G), a second team (3 F, 2 D, 1 G), and honorable mention selections. *(2009)*
- 15) All teams are required to have both a home (white / light) and an away (dark) jersey. *(2011)*