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Liberty League Team and Sport Guidelines

I. Liberty League Philosophy of Competition.

Each Liberty League member institution will strive to provide the best possible competitive circumstance for all of its student-athletes.

The Liberty League fully supports the principle of gender equity in all aspects of its operation. Liberty League member institutions are encouraged to participate in postseason competitions as sanctioned by the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) and other recognized sanctioning bodies. (9/12)

II. Liberty League Code of Conduct for Student-Athletes and Coaches. (1/14)

It is the responsibility of each Liberty League member institution to assure that the conduct before, during and after competition of all representatives of each competing institution exemplifies the highest traditions of intercollegiate athletics.

All individuals associated with the Liberty League are expected to conduct themselves in accordance with the Standards of Honesty and Sportsmanship as per NCAA Bylaw 11.1.1, which states:

Individuals employed by or associated with a member institution to administer, conduct or coach intercollegiate athletics shall act with honesty and sportsmanship at all times so that intercollegiate athletics as a whole, their institution and they, as individuals, represent the honor and dignity of fair play and the generally recognized high standards associated with wholesome competitive sports.

Furthermore, respect, fairness, civility, honesty and responsibility are values of Liberty League members. In addition, the Liberty League expects all members to treat opponents and officials with respect. (9/12)

The League members will encourage and promote positive spectator behavior and take corrective measures with incidents that are inconsistent with the Liberty League's standards of conduct. Spectators should be encouraged to cheer for their own team rather than against the opponent's team. (9/12)

All competitions are to be conducted in a non-discriminatory manner which encourages enthusiastic support while maintaining good sportsmanship.

Coaches and athletes will abide by the letter and spirit of the playing rules and will respect the spirit of competition and participation regardless of the outcome of competitions.

III. Conflict Resolution. (1/14)

Administrators, coaches, student-athletes, athletics staff and officials shall abide by the rules governing both the Liberty League and the NCAA and fully cooperate in any and all inquiries related to possible violations of those rules.

A Director of Athletics may request a Director of Athletics at another member institution to investigate within their institution alleged misconduct or violations of League rules. The Liberty League Commissioner must also be informed of the request to investigate. As a principle of Liberty League policy, it is recommended that such requests be made and the answers considered prior to the lodging of a formal complaint.

IV. Sportsmanlike Conduct. (9/12)

The Liberty League will not tolerate unsportsmanlike behavior by student-athletes, coaches, administrators, or any other individual associated with member institutions. In cases of unsportsmanlike conduct, violators will be disciplined by their member institution and may be referred to the Liberty League Commissioner for further action.

Unsportsmanlike acts include but are not limited to the following:

- Verbal or physical abuse of an official, coach, student-athlete, Liberty League representative or spectator
- Intentional incitement of participants or spectators to abusive or violent action
- Use of obscene gestures, profanity, or provocative (sexist, ethnic, racial, homophobic, other bigoted) language towards officials, student-athletes, coaches, team representatives or spectators
- Publicly criticizing an official, another member institution or its personnel or Liberty League personnel

V. Violations of the Code of Conduct. (9/12)

Actions contrary to the Liberty League Code of Conduct may result in the imposition of disciplinary actions against student-athletes, coaches and team personnel. In each situation, the involved institutions will have the opportunity to take disciplinary action in accordance with the league sanctions and their respective institutional policies. If the institution's actions are deemed sufficient by the Commissioner, the league shall take no further action.

If the institution's actions are deemed insufficient by the Commissioner, the matter may be referred to the Executive Committee for further action.

Procedure for Violation of the Code of Conduct:

- A. The offended party (i.e., official, coach, student-athlete) will provide a written report to the Commissioner detailing the incident and evidence of the violation of the Liberty League Code of Conduct.

- B. The Commissioner will contact the accused party and request a written report and any evidence which applies to the incident.
- C. The Commissioner will forward all reports to the Executive Committee (EC).
 - 1. If a member of EC is involved in the incident, she/he will recuse her/himself from the Committee.
 - 2. The Committee member will be replaced by the succeeding Athletic Director who is scheduled to serve on the EC.
- D. The Executive Committee will review the reports and make judgment on the matter by a majority vote. The EC will apply any of the sanctions depending on the severity of the offense. These sanctions are arranged in ascending order of severity. The Commissioner will issue all letters on behalf of the EC.
 - 1. A letter informing both parties with a copy sent to the Athletic Director that the EC reviewed the incident and no further action will be taken by the Liberty League.
 - 2. A Letter of Reprimand sent to the offending party with a copy to their respective Director of Athletics, AD direct supervisor and the institution's president. The letter is intended to be a formal disciplinary action clearly conveying that the individual's conduct that resulted in the violation is unacceptable and that the individual is being formally disciplined.
 - 3. A Letter of Probation sent to the offending party. The probation time period will be determined by the Executive Committee with notice that any future violations could result in suspension. A letter will be sent to the offending individual with a copy to their respective Director of Athletics, AD direct supervisor and the institution's president.
 - 4. A Letter of Suspension sent to the offending party. The individual will be suspended from a subsequent contest or contests. A letter will be sent to the offending individual with a copy to their respective Director of Athletics, AD direct supervisor and the institution's president.
- E. Appeal Process
 - 1. An appeal will be granted by the EC only in situations that information or evidence was not addressed either directly or in spirit in the regular proceedings.
 - 2. Notification of intent to appeal must be made by the party and sent to the Commissioner within 12 hours of receipt of a sanction.
 - 3. A written appeal must be filed with the Commissioner within 24 hours of the receipt of the written sanction. The appeal must include a copy to the party's respective Director of Athletics.
 - 4. The Commissioner will distribute the written appeal to all EC members.
 - 5. The Executive Committee will conduct a final review and determine its action based on the sanctions noted in D.
 - 6. The case will then be closed.

Liberty League Game Statement

It is recommended that each institution read the following (or a similar) announcement over the public address system prior to the start of each contest.

“(Institution name) and all members of the Liberty League are committed to the principles of good sportsmanship. We believe all student-athletes, coaches, and spectators should strive to represent the very best spirit and tradition of intercollegiate athletics. We request your cooperation by supporting the participants and officials in a positive manner.”

“Profanity, sexist, ethnic, racial, homophobic, or other bigoted comments, or other intimidating actions or obscene gestures directed at officials, student-athletes, coaches or team representatives will not be tolerated and are grounds for removal from the site of competition.”

General Policies and Standards

- I. **Awards.** The following awards will be provided by the Liberty League, and the Liberty League office will be responsible for ordering and distributing team awards and the Athlete of the Year and Rookie of the Year awards. Postseason Liberty League Championships and Single Site Championships: the Liberty League team championship award will be presented to the champion at the conclusion of the event. Round-robin championships: the Liberty League team award will be presented to the champion at the conclusion of the event. In situations in which no single game determines the champion, the award will be sent to the championship school at the conclusion of the season.
 - A. **Performers/Rookies of the Week.** A certificate, printed by the Liberty League office, will be presented to the Performer and Rookie of the Week for: men’s and women’s cross country, field hockey, football, men’s and women’s golf, men’s and women’s soccer, men’s and women’s tennis, men’s and women’s rowing, and volleyball in the fall; men’s and women’s basketball, men’s and women’s swimming and diving, men’s squash, and men’s and women’s indoor track and field in the winter and baseball, men’s and women’s golf, softball, men’s and women’s lacrosse, men’s and women’s tennis, men’s and women’s rowing, and men’s and women’s outdoor track and field in the spring. Sports with split seasons will be eligible for this recognition in both the fall and spring seasons. Nominations will be sent to the Liberty League office.
 - B. **All-League Selections.** For sports in which 10 or more teams participate, there shall be an All-League first team, second team and third team selected. For sports in which nine or fewer teams participate, there shall be an All-Liberty League first team and second team selected with additional individuals recognized as honorable mention. First team, second team and third team/honorable mention recipients shall receive certificates printed by the

Liberty League office. All-league selections and the Coaching Staff of the Year will be voted on by the league coaches in the respective sports. The size of the all-league team in each sport shall consist of the number of on-field participants in each sport with additional spots permitted for specialty positions (e.g., long-stick midfielder and face-off specialist in men's lacrosse, punter and placekicker in football, etc.). All-league voting in round-robin sports shall be based on regular-season statistics. (5/18; 6/23; 9/24).

- C. Coaching Staff of the Year.** Coaching Staff of the Year will be voted on by the league coaches in the respective sports. The Coaching Staff of the Year in each sport as voted by the coaches will receive a Liberty League trophy/plaque.
- D. Athlete of the Year/Rookie of the Year.** Athletes of the Year and Rookies of the Year shall be selected by vote of the coaches in the respective league sports. In individual sports, the Athlete of the Year will be voted on after the NCAA championships. Those athletes chosen as Athlete of the Year and Rookie of the Year shall receive a Liberty League trophy/plaque.
- E. League Individual & Event Champions.** In golf, the league individual champion and runner-up shall receive Liberty League trophies/plaques. The league individual champion in cross country and event champions in swimming and diving, and indoor and outdoor track and field will receive medals provided by the Liberty League office.
- F. League Team Champions.** The winning team in each league sport, be it single-site championship, round-robin competition, or post-season tournament will receive a Liberty League trophy/plaque. In the case of unresolved championship ties (see tiebreakers under individual sports) duplicate awards will be presented.
- G. All-Academic Team.** Student-athletes in Liberty League-sponsored sports who are in at least their second year in residence and who have a cumulative GPA of 3.3 or higher shall be recognized as members of the All-Academic Team. Each member of the Liberty League All-Academic Team will receive a certificate printed by the Liberty League office. (6/16)

 - 1. Exception:** First-year graduate transfers are eligible for All-Academic Teams based on the cumulative GPA from their previous institutions, consistent with nominating criteria for College Sports Communicators (CSC) Academic All-America awards.
- H. Scholar-Athletes of the Year.** One male and one female Scholar-Athlete of the Year shall be selected annually by vote of the league administrators. Each institution may nominate one male and one female senior student-athlete for the award. The criteria shall include athletics participation, academic achievement and leadership/community service engagement. The female Scholar-Athlete of the Year shall be nominated as the Liberty League's NCAA

Woman of the Year representative. Each Scholar-Athlete shall receive a Liberty League trophy/plaque. (5/12)

- I. **Liberty League Championship and Tournament Awards.** A Most Outstanding Performer award shall be selected at the conclusion of Liberty League championships. The selection of the Most Outstanding Performer will be the responsibility of the athletic communications staff in conjunction with league officials, when applicable. The honoree shall be presented with a trophy/plaque at the conclusion of the championship. Refer to Table 3 of the Appendix for the awards presented to championship teams and individuals. (5/18).
- II. **Forfeits and Game Delay Procedures.**
Because weather or other circumstances may delay a visiting team in Liberty League athletic contests, it is the policy of the Liberty League that no contest is declared forfeited or canceled except by the mutual consent of the primary athletic administrators of the competing institutions.

Game officials shall be instructed that there will be no limit on the grace period extended a visiting team delayed by travel nor shall there be a limit on the time given to the host institution to repair unacceptable field conditions caused by inclement weather or other circumstances.

- III. **Postponement and Rescheduling of Contests.**
 - A. **Decision on Travel.** In the event of dangerous travel conditions, the decision on game postponement shall be made by the primary athletic administrator or other appropriate athletic administrator of the visiting institution at the time of travel. The only consideration given in such situations shall be the safety of members of the travel party.
 - B. **Rescheduling of Postponed Contests.** In the event that a game is postponed, every effort will be made to reschedule the contest at an appropriate time. A date shall be selected by the mutual consent of the primary athletic administrators of the competing institutions. Should the rescheduling of a contest involve substantial unbudgeted expenditures, a decision on rescheduling may be delayed to an appropriate point in the season. Consideration will be given on the status of automatic qualification to the NCAA championships where such status has been granted or is sought.
 - C. **Non-Weather Related Postponements and Cancellations (6/22).** If a team is unable to compete due to issues unrelated to weather (e.g., illness or injuries), the contest may be rescheduled if it is feasible to do so. The rescheduled contest will count toward overall and league standings. If the contest is unable to be rescheduled, the opposing team will be awarded a win for league-standing purposes only. The win will not change the team's overall record and will not be

recognized by the NCAA, but will be utilized to seed teams for Liberty League championship participation.

In baseball, if a team is unable to compete in a 3-game league series due to issues unrelated to weather, a doubleheader may be rescheduled if it is feasible to do so. If a doubleheader is unable to be rescheduled, the opposing team will be awarded two wins for league-standing purposes only.

IV. General Sport Guidelines.

The following general sport guidelines apply to all Liberty League team sports: baseball, men's and women's basketball, field hockey, football, men's and women's lacrosse, and men's and women's soccer (exceptions as noted).

- A. Scouting.** On-site live scouting is permitted in any Liberty League sport, however institutional funds may not be used for scouting purposes. No institutional reimbursement of expenses is permitted.
- B. Video Exchange.** Video exchange for all team sports (except baseball and softball) is mandatory. Liberty League teams are expected to honor requests by opposing Liberty League teams to provide one game video on a timely basis unless sport guidelines specify a different exchange policy.

Liberty League teams may not provide oral, video or other information of any kind to teams outside the Liberty League. (This does not apply to the exchange of statistics between athletic communications offices).

- C. Video Recording of Contests.** Host institutions must digitally record all home Liberty League games and provide a digital copy of the game to the visiting team upon request. Digital copies must be provided within a reasonable amount of time after the game. For Liberty League tournaments conducted at a single site, the host team shall be responsible for providing all participating teams with a copy of their respective game(s).
 - 1. Men's and Women's Basketball.** The host institution shall provide one digital copy of the Liberty League contest within 15 minutes of the conclusion of the contest. The following are the procedures for recording an official Liberty League men's or women's basketball contest. The recording shall include:
 - a) Introduction of starting line-ups for both teams.
 - b) Time remaining and score at each timeout.
 - c) A view of the court during play (preferably from elevated center court) that will allow the scouting team to view the offensive and defensive alignments/movement.
 - d) The final score.
 - e) Audio of the contest.

NOTE: The recording should not include excessive talking by the videographer related or unrelated to the contest.

2. **Field hockey, men's and women's lacrosse, and men's and women's soccer.** A covered area must be provided for the host team to operate the necessary video equipment. The host institution shall provide one digital copy of the Liberty League contest within 15 minutes of the conclusion of the contest. The recording shall include:
 - a. Introduction of starting line-ups (if no PA, the starting line-ups should be read onto the videotape recording).
 - b. Score and time remaining during each timeout (where applicable) and after each goal.
 - c. A view of the field and players that will allow the scouting team the opportunity to view the offensive and defensive characteristics of the team as a working unit.
 - d. The final score.

NOTE: The recording should not include excessive talking by the videographer related or unrelated to the contest.

- D. **Uniform Rotation.** In all cases in which Liberty League teams compete in a back-to-back weekend series, the home team will wear dark uniforms on the first day of competition and the home team will wear light uniforms on the second day of competition. In football, the home team will wear dark jerseys and the visiting team will wear white or light-colored jerseys.
- E. **Rest Period Between Back-to-Back Contests.** There shall be a minimum of 20 hours rest between starts of back-to-back competitions (start time day one to start time day two). Any exception to this policy must be made by mutual agreement among Liberty League competing schools participating in the games in question.
- F. **Game Time Rotations.** Every effort shall be made to establish standard game times and/or rotation of game times for each Liberty League sport.
- G. **Back-to-Back Series.** On established Liberty League game weekends, every effort shall be made by all Liberty League teams to schedule back-to-back competitions, particularly in those cases where one team is scheduled for just one league game. A non-league opponent should be found for the "open" day in the weekend series.
- H. **Conclusion of Liberty League Schedule.** In sports that play a round-robin schedule, all league contests (including games with travel partners) must be scheduled and completed by the final weekend of league play.

- I. **Championship Protocol.** Liberty League Championship Tournaments shall be governed by NCAA Championship Protocols applicable to that sport, except where otherwise specified in Liberty League Policies and Procedures or Team and Sport Guidelines. (5/08)
 1. **Squad Sizes.** NCAA limitations on squad sizes shall not apply to league championships. (5/11)

- V. **Hardship Waiver Consideration.** A hardship waiver request must be submitted to the Commissioner on the official Liberty League Hardship Waiver Form by the institution's Director of Athletics or Compliance Officer. Upon receipt of the hardship waiver request, the Commissioner, in consultation with the Executive Committee as needed, shall review the waiver request to determine that it satisfies all conditions under NCAA bylaw 14.2.5. The Commissioner shall issue a decision to institution's Director of Athletics. Appeals of the Commissioner's decision shall be submitted to the NCAA Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement. (9/18)
 1. **Hardship Waivers in Non-League Sports.** The Commissioner is authorized to administer hardship waivers for member institutions whose student-athletes participate in sports that are not sponsored by the Liberty League and are not members of another conference (i.e., Division III independents). (9/18)

Responsibilities of Host Institution for Liberty League Contests

I. Medical Support.

- A. Amenities.** The host institution shall provide the following: water jugs, cups and bench towels prior to pre-game warm-ups. Five (5) bench towels shall be provided to each team by the host institution in men's and women's basketball. (5/14)
- B. Treatments.** The visiting team shall contact the host team prior to arrival to notify the athletic trainer that an athletic trainer will *not* be accompanying the visiting team and any special arrangements or needs will be accommodated at that time. Visitors are to bring their own medical supplies.
- C. Emergency Equipment.** The host training facility shall make available emergency medical services and equipment and certified athletic trainer as needed by the visitors.
- D. Team Physician.** A physician should be accessible to visiting teams when needed and on-site for all football games.
- E. Facilities.** The host institution shall provide training and treatment facilities whenever and wherever possible upon request.
- F. Emergency Transportation.** The host institution shall assist the visiting team in arranging either transportation (EMS, security) or directions to the nearest medical facility. However, it is not the responsibility of the host institution to provide transportation to the nearest medical facility. An ambulance shall be on site for all football contests. (6/17)

II. Travel Support

- A. Lodging.** The host institution shall assist all Liberty League institutions by providing a listing of hotel accommodations in the area. The host institution shall also encourage specified hotels to offer special rates for all visiting institutions.
- B. Meals.** Each institution shall send a listing including phone numbers of all restaurants close to the institution. The institutions will also provide information on the possibilities of using campus food services.

III. Supplemental Support/Host Institution

- A. Towels.** It is the responsibility of the visiting institution to provide its own towels for all contests. The host institution shall provide a minimum of five (5) bench towels to each bench during all home men's and women's basketball

games. Bench towels will be available in other sports at the discretion of the host institution. It is recommended that teams needing bench towels bring their own due to sanitary concerns. (5/14)

- B. Locks.** Visiting teams will provide their own locks for lockers.
- C. Locker Rooms.** The host institution will provide a locker room that can be locked. In the event the locker room cannot be locked, the host institution will provide a monitor for the security of the area during both practices and games.
- D. Laundry Service.** In the event a team is staying overnight or for an extended period, the host institution will provide laundry service for practice and game uniforms only. It is suggested that such arrangements be made well in advance.
- E. Tickets.** The decision to charge admission for Liberty League single-site championship events shall be made at the discretion of the host institution. (9/12).

Admission may be charged for Liberty League contests in round-robin sports per the prerogative of the individual schools. In the event admission is charged in round-robin sports, the visiting team will be provided complimentary tickets under NCAA guidelines for tickets. The host institution will also accommodate all reasonable requests for passes.

- F. Practice Time and Facilities.** In circumstances where practice time in game facilities has been requested in advance by visiting teams, every effort shall be made to accommodate those requests whenever possible.

Additional Responsibilities of Host Institutions – Single-Site Championships

- I. Officials.** It shall be the responsibility of the host institution to provide and pay for officials unless otherwise mutually agreed by the athletic directors of the competing institutions.
- II. Event Programs.** It is the responsibility of the host institution to supply appropriate event programs. The Liberty League office may be asked to provide league logos upon request.
- III. Medical Coverage.** The host institution is responsible for appropriate medical coverage for all Liberty League single-site championships.
- IV. Results.** The host institution is responsible for providing day-by-day results (in the case of multi-day events) and appropriate final results at the conclusion of the event. The results should be available to the coaches in attendance and should be disseminated to athletic communications offices of all participating schools.

- V. **Costs.** All costs associated with the running of single-site championships shall be absorbed by the host institution unless mutually agreed by the athletic directors of the participating institutions. Exceptions are championships for men's and women's golf, men's and women's swimming and diving and men's and women's tennis due to expenses necessary for conducting the championships. (1/02; 9/12; 6/17; 5/24)
- VI. **Tournament Director and Games Committees:** the athletic director of the host institution shall appoint a tournament director. The tournament director shall appoint a games committee.

Duties and Responsibilities of Liberty League Athletic Communications Directors

I. Event Reporting of League Contests

- A. **Post-Event Reporting.** It is the responsibility of the host athletic communications office to submit statistical files to the league office immediately following all home contests (or as soon as possible, meeting established deadlines). In the case of contests between league teams and non-league opponents, electronic communications are to be sent as soon as available for maintaining overall statistical information.
- B. **Exchange of Information.** It is the responsibility of the home institution to transmit summaries, box scores and other information as requested by the visiting team to the visiting team's athletic communications office immediately following the conclusion of the events.

II. Event Reporting – Single-Site Championships

- A. **Reporting of Results.** It is the responsibility of the host athletic communications office to transmit the results to the league office immediately following the conclusion of the event.
- B. **Transmission of Results.** It is the responsibility of the host athletic communications office to transmit the results to all competing institutions.

III. Statistics:

- A. **Statistics Compilation.** The host institution is the "official statistician" for all Liberty League contests. Full NCAA-type summaries should be available in all league sports within a reasonable amount of time (no more than 15 minutes following the conclusion of the game).

IV. Nomination Process: In-Season Honors.

Each league institution is responsible for nominating worthy players for performers and rookies of the week in each league sport in which it participates. The nominations may be made in conjunction with coaches' recommendations.

V. Nomination Process: Academic Honors Program.

Athletic communications offices, with input from coaches, will compile and submit a list of qualifiers for the Liberty League All-Academic Teams. Student-athletes in Liberty League-sponsored sports who are in at least their second year in residence and who have a cumulative GPA of 3.3 or higher shall be recognized as members of the All-Academic Team. Graduate transfers are immediately eligible based on the GPA from their previous institutions. Each member of the Liberty League All-Academic Team will receive a certificate printed by the Liberty League office. (6/16)

VI. Minimum Standards

- A. Working Space:** Appropriate working space will be provided for visiting athletic communications staff members and visiting media in all press boxes at all Liberty League events, where available.
- B. Rosters.** Rosters will be provided with appropriate information at the request of the participating institutions.
- C. Play-By-Play.** In events where practical (football, basketball) a play-by-play summary will be provided.
- D. Communications.** Internet access will be provided after all games for visiting athletic communications staff members.
- E. Radio Lines.** Radio lines will be provided when requested (or assistance with local phone company for arrangements per request of radio stations).

Athletic Communications Responsibilities of the Liberty League Office

- I. Weekly releases.** Weekly releases to include standings, Performers of the Week, Rookies of the Week and honor roll shall be issued by the Liberty League office.
- II. Athlete and Rookie of the Year.** The league office will coordinate the selection of Athlete of the Year and a Rookie of the Year with coaches in all sports.
 - A. Rookie.** A student-athlete is considered a rookie when she/he has not previously used a season of intercollegiate participation in the sport in question as defined by NCAA Bylaw 14.2.4.1.
- III. Certificates.** Certificates will be issued by the Liberty League office for Performer of the Week, Rookie of the Week, members of All-Liberty League teams. Certificates will also be issued to all individuals earning All-Academic Team honors.

- IV. Records.** It will be the responsibility of the Liberty League office to produce and maintain Liberty League records to include standings, game, individual and team statistics, season, individual and team statistics and championship results.
- V. Costs.** The league members shall provide the Liberty League office with appropriate funding to defray costs associated with Liberty League operations.
- VI. Evaluation.** The Liberty League office will be evaluated annually by the Executive Committee on or before June 1 each year.

I. Tiebreaking Procedures.

A. Liberty League Tiebreaking Procedures (5/99; 6/04; 6/11). Unless specified in the sport guidelines of a particular sport, the following tiebreaking formula shall be used to seed teams in a championship or determine the automatic qualifier. Prior to using the formula to determine the tournament seeding or automatic qualifier, co-champions would be declared.

1. Head-to-head results;
2. Record vs. conference opponents in descending order;
3. Head-to-head results in non-league competition (6/11);
4. Winning percentage vs. common opponents in non-conference play;
5. Winning percentage vs. all opponents with an end-of-season record of .500 or above;
6. Winning percentage vs. all opponents with an end-of-season record of below .500, and
7. Coin flip.

B. Clarifications on Tiebreaking Procedures. (6/04)

1. The tiebreaking procedures shall be applied successively (beginning with head-to-head results) to any and all ties in the standings. Once any tie is broken the procedures shall be re-started for application to any remaining ties.
2. Once a tie for any place is broken using available tiebreakers the teams involved shall be considered to occupy their resulting positions for purposes of applying tiebreaker #2 at other places.
3. In the event of any tie involving three or more teams the tiebreakers shall be applied successively until one or more teams are separated at the top of the group. Ties among any remaining teams or multiple teams separated at the top will be broken by re-applying all tiebreakers starting with head-to-head record in each of the separate groups.
4. In the event of multiple ties that become dependent on each other for tiebreaking criteria under tiebreaker #2, the highest tie shall be broken first by comparing records against all teams involved in the lower tie(s) and continuing through the order if needed. If this fails to break the highest tie, the next-highest tie in order will be broken by comparing records against all teams involved in the higher tie, again continuing past the higher tie if necessary. If further criteria (beyond tiebreaker #2) are needed, they shall be applied to the highest remaining tie first. Once any tie is broken all procedures are re-started on any remaining ties.

II. Sports Committees and Committee Liaisons:

A. Sport Committee. Each sport will have a Liberty League Sport Committee.

B. Committee Liaison. Each Liberty League sport will have an administrator from a member institution who serves as the liaison with the respective sport committees. The sport liaisons will serve four (4) year renewable terms (see Table 1 for roster of Sport Liaisons for 2023-24 through 2026-27).

C. Liaison Responsibilities. The Committee Liaison duties shall include:

1. Making contact with the head coaches of their respective sport each September to introduce themselves, welcome any new head coaches, etc.
2. Convening meeting(s) or conference calls of the head coaches each year.
3. Email/mail the Liberty League Sport Report to all ADs and SWAs at least one week prior to spring meeting.
4. Presenting the Liberty League Sport Report of their respective sport(s) committees at the spring meeting.
5. Presenting pertinent items for discussion or review at the September and January meetings.
6. Following up with their respective head coaches after all Liberty League meetings on any matters pertinent to their sport(s).
7. Developing and maintaining a current set of Liberty League Sport Guidelines for their respective sports and providing to the Commissioner any approved changes.
8. Assisting with pre-championship organization.

Sport Guidelines

BASEBALL.

I. General Regulations.

- A. League Format.** League competition shall consist of two divisions. The East Division shall consist of: Bard, RPI, Skidmore, Union and Vassar. The West Division shall consist of: Clarkson, Hobart Ithaca, Rochester, RIT and St. Lawrence.
- B. Determination of Regular-Season Champion.** Each division shall recognize a Division Champion as determined by regular-season in-division results. Head-to-head competition will determine the winner in a tie situation. If the two teams remain tied after head-to-head results are considered, the Liberty League baseball tiebreaker system (see II. A. below) will be implemented.
- C. Coaches Meeting.** An annual coaches meeting shall typically be held the Tuesday following the Liberty League championship or on another date mutually agreed upon by the coaches.
- D. Scheduling.** Teams shall play a three-game series against all divisional opponents. Additionally, teams shall play one weekend of cross division games. A cross-division schedule shall be established by the league.
 - 1. Series Format:** The format of each three-game series shall be 9-9-9 **with a single game Friday and a doubleheader Saturday**. The NCAA Ten-Run Rule (Rule 2, Section 79) shall be utilized in all regular-season Liberty League games. By rule, a game shall be stopped only after seven innings if one team is ahead by at least 10 runs. Each team must play an equal number of innings unless shortened because the home team needs none or only part of its half of the final inning.
 - 2. Adjusted Format:** Teams may mutually agree to adjust the format of the series due to travel or weather considerations. If a doubleheader is played the first day of a three-game series, then a single game shall be played the second day.
- E. Scheduling Principles.**
 - 1. Clarkson / St. Lawrence Scheduling Provision.** Clarkson and St. Lawrence will play away the first two weekends (due to weather concerns).
 - 2. Start Times.** Start times are 3:30 p.m. on Friday and noon on Saturday unless the teams mutually agree to alternate start times.

3. **Series Location.** If the travel distance between institutions is more than two hours, then all three games shall be played at one school. If the travel distance is less than two hours, all games played as a home-and-home series.
 4. **Two-Game Requirement.** All teams must play at least two games against each scheduled league opponent during the season. Third games postponed due to weather are not required to be made up, but may be rescheduled by mutual agreement and shall be played no later than two weeks from the originally scheduled date. Teams must play a minimum of 12 games to qualify for the league tournament. (5/25)
 5. **Designated Make-Up Dates.** If 0 or 1 games are played in a three-game series, then the Monday or Tuesday immediately following shall be a designated make-up date for a doubleheader. (5/08)
 6. **Make-Up Format.** All make-up games shall be scheduled as doubleheaders. The original host institution, or the host institution for the first day of a home-and-home series, shall be the home team for both games of a make-up doubleheader. Start time shall be 1 p.m. unless the competing institutions mutually agree to a different time. If only one game of a make-up doubleheader can be completed due to inclement weather, then a single game may be scheduled to complete the required two games.
 7. **Site of Make-Up Games.** If a team travels to the scheduled site for a series then any required make-up games will be played at the site of the original visiting team. (5/08)
 8. **Rescheduling Sequence.** Multiple postponed games must be rescheduled in the sequence of the original schedule.
 9. **Designated Home Team.** The scheduled host team shall be the home team for all games. If a series is moved to the site of the visiting team, the original host team shall be the home team.
 10. **Easter Weekend Scheduling.** If no games from a Friday-Saturday series scheduled on Easter weekend are able to be played, then Sunday shall be utilized as the make-up date.
- F. **Standings.** Divisional and overall league winning percentage will be calculated for all teams. Divisional games count in divisional winning percentage and will be utilized to determine seeding for the Crossover Divisional Series. Standings will be determined based on divisional winning percentage. All league games, including results from the Crossover Divisional Series, will be factored into League winning percentage.

- G. Halted Games.** If a game from the first day of a weekend series is not completed, then any portion of the game shall be completed prior to the scheduled games for the second day of the weekend. (9/14)
- H. Tie Games.** If a game from the first day of a weekend series reaches the point of being a Regulation Game (per NCAA Rule 5, Section 8) and is tied and cannot be completed, then the teams shall complete the game prior to the scheduled games for the second day of the weekend. If the scheduled game for the second day is tied and cannot be completed, then the game shall be recorded as a tie if the teams played two Regulation Games on the first day. A Regulation Game that is tied and cannot be completed on the second day shall be recorded as a tie. (9/14)
- I. Regular-Season Completion:** All regular-season league games shall be concluded no later than the Tuesday immediately preceding the Crossover Divisional Series weekend. Any unplayed (or suspended) games as of 8 p.m. on that Tuesday will not be made up (or completed).
- J. Officials.** Two umpires, assigned through the designated Liberty League assigner, shall be used in all league games. (5/15)
- K. Pregame Warm-Up:** Each team shall be allotted 50 minutes of field time prior to the first game each day unless teams mutually agree to a different schedule (i.e., if weather or field conditions prevent or alter on-field warm-ups). The host coach shall communicate the exact pregame schedule with the visiting coach prior to arrival.
- II. Crossover Divisional Series.** At the conclusion of the regular season, the top four teams in each division shall advance to a best-of-three series with the winner of each series qualifying for the 4-team double-elimination League Tournament.

 - A. Selection & Seeding.** The #1 seed in each division shall host the #4 seed in the opposite division while the #2 seed in each division shall host the #3 seed in the opposite division. Divisional winning percentage shall be used to determine seeding in each division. If two or more teams have the same winning percentage, the following tiebreaking procedure shall be utilized:

 1. Head-to-head record; if more than two teams are tied, cumulative record against other teams involved in the tie;
 2. Combined winning percentage versus teams ranked higher in divisional standings;
 3. Record vs. divisional opponents in descending order;
 4. Overall league winning percentage;
 5. Coin flip.

- B. Schedule & Format.** The schedule for the Crossover Divisional Series shall be one game on Friday with two games on Saturday (second game if necessary). Any unfinished portion of a game from the first day shall be completed prior to competition on the second day. Start times shall be 3:30 p.m. on Friday and noon on Saturday. The NCAA Ten-Run Rule (Rule 2, Section 79) shall be utilized in all Crossover Divisional Series games.
 - 1. Series Completion.** All Crossover Divisional Series must be completed by no later than the Monday prior to the League Tournament. If a series is unable to be completed, then the higher-seeded team shall advance to the League Tournament.
- C. Officials.** Two umpires, assigned through the designated Liberty League assigner, shall be used in all Crossover Divisional Series games.
- D. Season-Ending Series:** The top two teams based on league winning percentage not advancing to the Crossover Divisional Series shall play a season-ending series (doubleheader). The host of the series shall be determined using the Tiebreaker Seeding outlined in III. E. below.

III. League Tournament.

- A. Tournament Format.** A 4-team double-elimination championship will be conducted on the last available weekend (Thursday-Saturday) prior to NCAA championship selections.
- B. Automatic Qualifier.** The tournament champion will receive the automatic qualifier to the NCAA championship.
- C. Selection & Seeding.** Teams qualifying for the 4-team double-elimination tournament will be re-seeded based on seeding from the Crossover Divisional Series. If seeds of the same number (e.g., #1 seed in East and #1 in West; #2 in East and #2 in West, etc.) qualify for the tournament, ties will be broken using the Tiebreaker Seeding outlined in III. E. below. In all cases, a #1 seed from the Crossover Divisional Series will always be seeded ahead of a #2 seed, a #2 seed ahead of a #3 seed and a #3 seed ahead of a #4 seed.
- D. Tiebreaker Seeding.** Ties will be broken using the following tiebreaker procedure.
 - 1. Head-to-head results;
 - 2. Winning percentage versus common in-league opponents (regular-season ONLY) in descending order of League winning percentage;
 - 3. Overall League winning percentage (including Crossover Divisional Series)
 - 4. Winning percentage vs. other two teams qualifying for the 4-team double elimination tournament.

5. Coin flip.

E. Clarifications on Tiebreaking Procedures. See Section I. B., Tiebreaking Procedures on page 15.

F. Tournament Host. The top seed will be given the first opportunity to host. If the top seed declines, it will be offered to the next highest seed.

G. Pre-Tournament Meeting. A pre-tournament meeting (conference call) shall be conducted with the host institution and competing teams on Tuesday to review the schedule and logistics for the tournament. (9/18)

H. Tournament schedule (1/12).

| Thursday | Pairings | Time |
|-----------------|---------------------------------|-----------------|
| Game 1 | 1 v. 4 | 1 p.m. |
| Game 2 | 2 v. 3 | 4 p.m. |
| Friday | | Friday |
| Game 3 | Loser game 1 v. loser game 2 | 10 a.m. |
| Game 4 | Winner game 1 v. winner game 2 | 1 p.m. |
| Game 5 | Loser game 4 v. winner game 3 | 4 p.m. |
| Saturday | | Saturday |
| Game 6 | Winner game 4 v. winner game 5 | Noon |
| Game 7 | If needed, same teams as game 6 | |

I. Games & Times. All games will be 9 innings and shall be played to completion. The number-one seed will have the option of playing Game 1 or Game 2 on Thursday. Game times may be adjusted for lighted fields to allow for later start times. The host institution has the discretion to adjust game times as needed due to weather concerns.

J. Weather. If the entire tournament is rained out, the top seed will be the champion and NCAA automatic qualifier (AQ). All ties will be broken by using the established tiebreaker seeding outlined in II. E. above.

1. If games Thursday, Friday *or* Saturday cannot be completed, the tournament will be extended to Sunday. (1/12)
2. If Thursday *and* Friday games cannot be played then four games shall be played on Saturday and 3 games on Sunday. Saturday's game 3 will be the winners of games 1 and 2; game 4 will be the losers of games 1 and 2. (5/09; 5/13).
3. If Thursday, Friday *and* Saturday games cannot be played then the tournament shall be a four-team single elimination tournament played on Sunday. (5/13)

4. If games 6 and 7 cannot be played by Sunday then the first team to a 2-0 record in the tournament shall be the league champion and receive the automatic qualifier. If no team has reached a 2-0 record then the number one seed shall receive the automatic qualifier. (5/09; 5/13)

5. If games 1 and 2 are completed either Thursday or Friday and games 3, 4 and 5 cannot be played by Saturday, the winners of game 1 and game 2 shall play a best of three series on Sunday to determine the league champion and automatic qualifier. (5/09; 5/13)

K. Tarp. If a tarp needs to be utilized due to inclement weather, the teams competing or scheduled to compete at that time shall assist the host institution in covering/uncovering the infield. (5/14)

L. Officials. Umpires (3-person crews), assigned through the Liberty League's designated assigner, shall be used in all tournament games.

M. Uniforms/Dugout. The higher-seeded team will be the home team, will have choice of uniforms and dugout throughout tournament. The visiting team will wear contrasting uniforms.

IV. Awards.

A. All-League Team. At the conclusion of the regular-season, the league coaches will select an All-Liberty League team. The baseball team will generally be comprised of (4) starting pitchers, (1) relief pitcher, (1) catcher, (1) first baseman, (1) second baseman, (1) third baseman, (1) shortstop, (3) outfielders, (1) designated hitter and (1) utility player on a 1st, 2nd and 3rd team. The coaches will also select a Player of the Year, Pitcher of the Year, Rookie of the Year and Coaching Staff of the Year.

1. **Nominations.** Coaches shall nominate players from their respective teams for All-League no later than the Monday prior to the league tournament. Nominations shall be submitted electronically to the League Office in coordination with the athletic communications staff at each institution. There is no limit on the number of players that can be nominated for All-League consideration, although nominees should be starters or key reserves. The same player may be nominated for the Player of the Year, Pitcher of the Year and Rookie of the Year categories.

2. **Voting Procedure.** The League Office will compile and disseminate a ballot and conduct a conference call with the coaches to review the nominations on the Tuesday prior to the league tournament. Coaches should vote for 1st, 2nd and 3rd team selections, a Player of the Year, a Pitcher of the Year, Rookie of the Year and a Coaching Staff of the Year. **Coaches may not vote for their own players.** The completed ballot

shall be submitted electronically to the League Office no later than Wednesday prior to the league tournament.

3. **Determination of All-League Team.** Players with the most points shall be accorded 1st team All-League status. If a tie exists in the voting, multiple players shall be recognized on the respective All-League team.
 4. **Determination of Players/Rookie/Coaching Staff of the Year.** For the Player, Pitcher, Rookie and Coaching Staff of the Year honors, coaches shall vote for their top three choices with three points given for a 1st-place vote, two for a 2nd-place vote, and one for a 3rd-place vote. **Coaches may not vote for their own players or himself/herself.** Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named.
 5. **Awards Announcement.** The All-Liberty League team and awards will be announced no earlier than Tuesday following the conclusion of the Liberty League championship.
- B. Most Outstanding Performer.** At the conclusion of the championship, the athletic communications staff of the host institution in conjunction with league officials shall select a Most Outstanding Performer. The honoree shall be recognized at the conclusion of the championship and shall receive a plaque/trophy. (5/18)
- C. Weekly Honors.** The League Office, in coordination with the athletic communications offices, will recognize a Performer of the Week, Pitcher of the Week and Rookie of the Week for individual performances throughout the season. Nominations shall be submitted electronically by each institution to the League Office no later than noon each Monday.
- D. All-Academic Team.** To be selected for the All-Academic Team, a student-athlete must meet the following criteria:
1. Must be a sophomore or higher in class standing. Transfers must have served a year in residence. Graduate transfers are immediately eligible.
 2. Must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.30 or higher (or its equivalent as determined by the institution) based on a 4.0 scale. The GPA must be at least 3.30, not 3.29 and rounded to the nearest tenth of a point.

BASKETBALL (MEN'S & WOMEN'S).

I. General Regulations.

- A. Determination of Regular-Season Champion.** The regular-season champion will be the team with the best winning percentage in round-robin competition. Head-to-head competition will determine the winner in a tie situation. If two teams remain tied after head-to-head results are considered, co-champions will be named.
- B. Start times:**
- | | | |
|----------|---------------------|----------------------------|
| Friday | Game #1 – 5:30 p.m. | Game #2 – 7:30 p.m. (5/19) |
| Saturday | Game #1 – 2 p.m. | Game #2 – 4 p.m. (6/04) |
| Midweek | Game #1 – 5:30 p.m. | Game #2 – 7:30 p.m. (5/19) |
- C. Game Day Schedule.** The following schedule shall be used for all Liberty League women's and men's basketball games (5/15):

Friday Doubleheader Schedule:

Game 1 – 5:30 p.m. Tip-Off

- 4:30 p.m. Floor available for team warm-up – 55-minute countdown begins.
5:10 p.m. Officials meet with team captains.
5:25 p.m. Timer sounds buzzer – teams clear floor.
National Anthem
Player introductions/crowd control statement.
5:30 p.m. Tip-off.

Game 2 – 7:30 p.m. Tip-Off

- 7:00 p.m. Floor available for team warm-up – 25-minute countdown begins.
7:10 p.m. Officials meet with team captains.
7:25 p.m. Timer sounds buzzer – teams clear floor.
National Anthem
Player introductions/crowd control statement.
7:30 p.m. Tip-off.

Saturday Doubleheader Schedule:

Game 1 – 2 p.m. Tip-Off

- 1 p.m. Floor available for team warm-up – 55-minute countdown begins.
1:40 p.m. Officials meet with team captains.
1:55 p.m. Timer sounds buzzer – teams clear floor.
National Anthem
Player introductions/crowd control statement.
2 p.m. Tip-off.

Game 2 – 4 p.m. Tip-Off

- 3:30 p.m. Floor available for team warm-up – 25-minute countdown begins.

- 3:40 p.m. Officials meet with team captains.
- 3:55 p.m. Timer sounds buzzer – teams clear floor.
National Anthem
Player introductions/crowd control statement.
- 4 p.m. Tip-off.

D. Scheduling. The order of travel partners will reverse every two years. Travel partner contests may be scheduled at any time during the season by mutual agreement. (5/10)

E. Shoot-Around. Host teams will make every effort to provide an opportunity for the visiting teams to conduct a shoot-around when requested.

F. Video Recording. Coaches (or interested parties) may not record any opponent's games during a live scout. (6/04)

G. Video Exchange. There shall be unlimited online video exchange. Video exchange shall adhere to the following guidelines (5/11; 5/12):

1. Video exchange in men's and women's basketball shall be conducted through an online video exchange system designated by the league (Synergy in 2025-26).
2. Each team must upload all of its games, both league and non-league, to the designated exchange system.
3. Each home game must be uploaded by midnight following the game. (5/12; 5/19)
4. Each away game must be uploaded by noon the day following the team's return to campus.
5. The home team in league play shall be responsible for uploading the game. Each league game shall be uploaded no later than midnight following the game. (6/22)
6. There shall be no limit to the number of games a team can download on other league teams. (6/11)
7. A team shall not be permitted to download any games until all completed games have been uploaded.

H. Bench Technology. Electronic transmission of live statistical data and/or live and/or pre-loaded video to the bench area for coaching purposes is permitted in accordance with NCAA rules. (5/24)

I. Media Timeouts. Media timeouts – one minute in length – shall be utilized in all Liberty League regular-season games consistent with NCAA protocol. (5/25)

J. Lineup Introductions. For pregame lineup introductions, the announcer shall introduce the starting players following the national anthem. Beginning with the designated visiting team, the announcer shall introduce the five players and

coach from the visiting team followed by the five players and coach from the home team. There shall be no formal pregame handshakes between players and/or officials during team introductions. (5/18)

- K. League Ball.** The Wilson Evo NXT ball shall be used in all league games. (6/22)
- L. Scorebook.** An official NCAA scorebook shall be used in all league games. (5/07)

II. League Tournament.

- A. Format.** A 6-team championship shall be conducted during the last available week (Tuesday-Friday-Sunday) prior to NCAA championship selections. The tournament champion will receive the automatic qualifier to the NCAA championship. (5/11; 6/22)
- B. Selection & Seeding.** Teams will be selected and seeded based on winning percentage from league double round-robin results.
- C. Tiebreaker Seeding.** Ties will be broken using the following basketball tiebreaker procedure. (5/12)
 - 1. Head-to-head results;
 - 2. Cumulative record against all teams with a better record than those who are tied (5/13);
 - 3. Record vs. conference opponents in descending order;
 - 4. Best record in Liberty League road games;
 - 5. Winning percentage vs. common opponents in non-conference play;
 - 6. Winning percentage vs. all opponents with an end-of-season record of .500 or above;
 - 7. Winning percentage vs. all opponents with an end-of-season record of below .500, and
 - 8. Coin Flip.
- D. Clarifications on Tiebreaking Procedures.** See Section I. B., Tiebreaking Procedures on page 15.
- E. Tournament Host.** The top seeds will be given the first opportunity to host. If they decline, the opportunity to host will be afforded to the next-highest seed.
- F. Tournament Schedule.**

| Tuesday | Pairings | Time |
|----------------|--------------------|-------------|
| First Round | #5 at #4 | 7 p.m. |
| First Round | #6 at #3 | 7 p.m. |
| Friday | | |
| Semifinal | #4/#5 winner at #1 | 7 p.m. |

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|---------------|-----------------------------------|--------|
| Semifinal | #3/#6 winner at #2 | 7 p.m. |
| Sunday | | |
| Championship | Semifinals winners at higher seed | 2 p.m. |

- G. Game Times:** For a first-round doubleheader on Tuesday or a semifinal doubleheader on Friday, game times shall be 6 p.m. (women) and 8 p.m. (men). For a championship doubleheader on Sunday, game times shall be 1 p.m. (women) and 3 p.m. (men) Game times in any round may be adjusted by mutual agreement of the competing teams.
 - H. Media Timeouts.** Media timeouts – one minute in length – shall be utilized in all Liberty League tournament games consistent with NCAA Championship protocol. (6/16)
 - I. Venue.** The site of competition must align with NCAA tournament guidelines. An institution that does not meet the NCAA site guidelines may secure an alternate site.
 - J. Weather.**
 - 1. If the entire tournament is cancelled due to inclement weather, the champion will be determined by regular season league results. All ties will be broken by using the established Liberty League basketball tiebreaker procedure.
 - 2. If the tournament is cancelled after it has begun, the highest remaining seed will receive the automatic qualifier to the NCAA championship.
 - K. Officials.** Officials (3-person crews), assigned through the designated Liberty League assigner, shall be used for all tournament games.
 - L. Uniforms.** The higher seeds will be the home team and will wear white.
 - M. Video Exchange.** Unlimited on-line exchange is available to all teams prior to championship. (5/11)
- III. Awards.**
- A. All-League Team.** At the conclusion of the regular-season, the league coaches will select an All-Liberty League team. The basketball team will generally be comprised of (5) players on a 1st, 2nd and 3rd team. The coaches will also select a Player of the Year, Defensive Player of the Year, Rookie of the Year and Coaching Staff of the Year. (5/18)
 - 1. Nominations.** Each coach shall nominate players from his/her team for All-League no later than the Monday prior to the league tournament. Nominations shall be submitted – in rank order – electronically to the League Office in coordination with the athletic communications staff at each institution. There is no limit on the number of players that can be

nominated for All-League consideration, although nominees should be starters or key reserves. Only one player may be nominated for the Defensive Player of the Year or Rookie of the Year award.

2. **Voting Procedure.** The League Office will compile and disseminate a ballot on the Monday prior to the league tournament. Coaches should rank-order the top 15 players, placing the best player first, the second-best player second, the third-best player third, etc. Coaches should also select a Defensive Player of the Year, Rookie of the Year and a Coaching Staff of the Year. **Coaches may not vote for their own players.** The completed ballot shall be submitted electronically to the League Office no later than Wednesday prior to the league tournament semifinals.
 3. **Determination of All-League Team.** The top-ranked player on each ballot will be awarded 15 points, the second-ranked player 14 points, the third-ranked player 13 points, etc. The top five players accumulating the most points shall be accorded 1st team All-League status. The next five players shall be accorded 2nd team All-League status. The next five players shall be accorded 3rd team All-League status. If ties exist for the final spot on any team, additional players may be added to the All-League team.
 4. **Determination of Player/Defensive Player/Rookie/Coaching Staff of the Year.** The player accumulating the most points in the All-League voting shall be accorded Player of the Year status. For Defensive Player of the Year, Rookie of the Year and Coaching Staff of the Year honors, coaches shall vote for their top three choices with three points given for a 1st-place vote, two for a 2nd-place vote, and one for a 3rd-place vote. **Coaches may not vote for their own players or coaching staff.** Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named.
 5. **Awards Announcement.** The All-Liberty League team and awards will be announced no earlier than Tuesday following the conclusion of the Liberty League championship.
- B. Most Outstanding Performer.** At the conclusion of the championship, the athletic communications staff of the host institution in conjunction with league officials shall select a Most Outstanding Performer. The honoree shall be recognized at the conclusion of the championship and shall receive a plaque/trophy. (5/18)
- C. Weekly Honors.** The League Office, in coordination with the athletic communications offices, will recognize a Performer of the Week and Rookie of the Week for individual performances throughout the season. Nominations shall be submitted electronically by each institution to the League Office no later than noon each Monday.
- D. All-Academic Team.** To be selected for the All-Academic Team, a student-athlete must meet the following criteria:

1. Must be a sophomore or higher in class standing. Transfers must have served a year in residence. Graduate transfers are immediately eligible.
2. Must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.30 or higher (or its equivalent as determined by the institution) based on a 4.0 scale. The GPA must be at least 3.30, not 3.29 and rounded to the nearest tenth of a point.

CROSS COUNTRY (MEN & WOMEN).

I. League Championship.

- A. Determination of League Champion.** The league champion for both Women and Men will be the top team finisher at the league championship meet. The NCAA championship tiebreaker shall be utilized to break all team ties. (5/15)
- B. Championship Date.** The men's and women's cross country championships shall be held annually on the Saturday which falls two (2) weekends prior to the NCAA Regionals. (3/10)
- C. Championship Host Rotation.** The championship host shall rotate annually among the following institutions: Vassar, Hobart and William Smith, St. Lawrence, Clarkson, Bard, RPI, Union, RIT, Ithaca.
- D. Meet Day Operations.**
1. The cross country championships shall be contested on a course of 6,000 meters for the Women and 8,000 meters for the Men unless mutually agreed upon by the coaches in advance of the championships. (5/14)
 2. The championships shall be conducted on a closed race course that adheres to all of the guidelines and specifications for a cross-country course as per the NCAA rulebook, section 2, Article#2 (course layout) and Article#3 (course markings) whenever possible.
 3. Squad Size: Each team may enter up to 14 participants to compete in the championship. (5/18)
 4. Race Times: 11 a.m. and noon unless the venue requires different times. The order of genders shall coincide with NCAA Championships. (6/23)
- E. Entry Procedures.**
1. **Information Packet.** At least one month prior the championship, the host institution will be required to send out an initial information packet for the championship which will include: schedule of events, hotel/restaurant info, roster forms, championship information, awards information, scoring information and final entry forms.
 2. **Entry Submission.** Each team may enter up to 18 competitors via DirectAthletics no later than 5 p.m. Sunday prior to the championship. Teams must declare their 14 participants at check-in Saturday prior to the race. (5/18; 6/23; 6/24)

F. Officials. Officials for the championship will be selected by the host institution's assignor and will follow the recommendations set forth in the NCAA rulebook (Rule 8, Section 5 and Rule 3, Section 1).

G. Games Committee. A Games Committee shall be convened to address and take action on issues that arise prior to or during the championship that are not explicitly covered in the sport guidelines. The committee shall consist of a Liberty League representative, the host championship manager and three coaches that shall rotate alphabetically by institution/team gender. If a coach on the committee is from an institution involved in the issue, then that coach shall be replaced by the next coach of the same team gender in the alphabetical listing.

2025: Bard (M), RPI (W), Clarkson (M)

2026: RIT (W), Hobart (M), St. Lawrence (W)

2027: Ithaca (M), Union (W), RPI (M)

2028: Vassar (W), RIT (M), Bard (W)

2029: St. Lawrence (M), Clarkson (W), Union (M)

2030: William Smith (W), Vassar (M), Ithaca (W)

H. Timing & Scoring. Timing and scoring services for the championship shall be arranged by the League office. The host institution is responsible for all costs associated with these services.

1. Split Points. The host institution shall require the timer to provide two split points (in addition to the finish line) on the championship course.
(6/23)

I. Communications. The host institution will be responsible for publishing a program which lists the competing athletes and any other pertinent information.

The host institution will also be responsible for disseminating results to athletic communications offices of the participating institutions at the conclusion of the championship.

II. Awards.

A. Team Champion. The league team champion(s) will be awarded a trophy/plaque at the conclusion of the championship.

B. Individual Awards. The following awards will be announced at the conclusion of the season. Voting for these awards will be facilitated by the league office following the NCAA Championship.

1. Cross Country

a. Runner of the Year

- b. Rookie of the Year
 - c. Coaching Staff of the Year
 - d. The top 7 male and female finishers (places 1-7) at the league championship will be named 1st team All-League; the second 7 finishers (places 8-14) will be named 2nd team All-League; the third 7 finishers (places 15-21) will be named honorable mention All-League.
2. **Awards Announcements:** The 1st team, 2nd team and honorable mention All-League selections will be announced at the conclusion of the championship and will be presented with medals. The awards for Runner of the Year, Rookie of the Year and Coaching Staff of the Year will be announced following the conclusion of the NCAA Championship.
- D. Weekly Honors.** The League Office, in coordination with the athletic communications offices, will recognize a Performer of the Week and Rookie of the Week for individual performances throughout the season. Nominations shall be submitted electronically by each institution to the League Office no later than noon each Monday.
- E. All-Academic Team.** To be selected for the All-Academic Team, a student-athlete must meet the following criteria:
- 1. Must be a sophomore or higher in class standing. Transfers must have served a year in residence. Graduate transfers are immediately eligible.
 - 2. Must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.30 or higher (or its equivalent as determined by the institution) based on a 4.0 scale. The GPA must be at least 3.30, not 3.29 and rounded to the nearest tenth of a point.

FIELD HOCKEY

I. General Regulations.

- A. Determination of Regular-Season Champion.** The regular-season champion will be the team with the best winning percentage in league play. Head-to-head competition will determine the winner in a tie situation. If the two or more teams remain tied after head-to-head results are considered, the Liberty League tiebreaker system will be implemented.
- B. Officials.** Two umpires, assigned through the designated Liberty League assigner, shall be used in all league games.
- C. Start Times.** Recommended starting times for Liberty League games shall be 4 p.m. for Friday games and 3 p.m. for Saturday and Sunday games. (6/17)
- D. Equipment.** The home team in Liberty League games shall provide 75 practice balls and 25 cones to the visiting team for warmups. (6/17)

II. League Tournament.

- A. Format.** A 5-team championship will be conducted under a Tuesday-Friday-Sunday format with the championship game scheduled on the last available Sunday prior to NCAA championship selections. The tournament champion will receive the automatic qualifier to the NCAA championship.
- B. Selection & Seeding.** Teams will be selected and seeded based on league regular-season results (winning percentage).
- C. Tiebreaker Seeding.** Ties will be broken using the established Liberty League tiebreaker procedure (see Section I. B., Tiebreaking Procedures on page 15).
- D. Tournament Hosts.** The higher-seeded teams will be given the first opportunity to host. If they decline or are unable to host, the lower-seeded teams will be given the opportunity to host.
- E. Tournament Schedule.**

| Tuesday | Pairings | Time* |
|----------------|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| First Round | #5 at #4 | 3 p.m. |
| Friday | | |
| Semifinal | #4/#5 winner at #1 | 3 p.m. |
| Semifinal | #3 at #2 | 3 p.m. |
| Sunday | | |
| Championship | Semifinals winners at higher seed | 1 p.m. |

1. **First-Round / Semifinal Games.** Tuesday first-round and Friday semifinal games held on fields with artificial lighting shall start at 4 p.m., or a later time if mutually agreed upon by the competing institutions. Games played on unlighted fields shall start at 3 p.m. if Daylight Saving Time is in effect or at 2 p.m. if Standard Time is in effect. (9/09)
2. **Championship Game.** Sunday's championship game shall start at 1 p.m., or at a time mutually agreed upon by the competing institutions that is not earlier than 12 p.m., nor later than 3 p.m. (9/09)

F. Weather.

1. If the entire tournament is cancelled due to inclement weather, the champion will be determined by regular-season league results. All ties will be broken by using the established Liberty League tiebreaker procedure (see Section I. B., Tiebreaking Procedures on page 15).
2. If the tournament is cancelled after it has begun, the highest remaining seed will receive the automatic qualifier to the NCAA championship.

G. Uniforms. The higher seeds will be the home teams and will wear dark.

H. Officials. Each spring prior to the championship, the coaches will submit a list of preferred umpires to the league assigner to officiate the league championship. Two umpires shall be used for all tournament games. A table/alternate umpire, scheduled through the league assigner, will also be used for the championship game.

III. Awards.

A. All-League Team. At the conclusion of the regular-season, the league coaches will select an All-Liberty League team. The field hockey team will generally be comprised of (3) forwards, (3) midfielders, (2) defenders, (2) at-large selections and (1) goalie on both a 1st and 2nd team. The coaches will also select an Offensive Player of the Year, Defensive Player of the Year, Rookie of the Year and Coaching Staff of the Year.

1. **Nominations.** Coaches shall nominate players from their teams for All-League no later than the Monday prior to the league tournament. Nominations shall be submitted electronically to the League Office in coordination with the athletic communications staff at each institution. There is no limit on the number of players that can be nominated for All-League consideration, although nominees should be starters or key reserves. Only one player may be nominated for each of the Offensive Player, Defensive Player and Rookie of the Year awards.
2. **Voting Procedure.** The League Office will compile and disseminate a ballot and conduct a conference call with the coaches to review the nominations on the Wednesday of the league tournament. Coaches should vote for 1st and 2nd team selections, an Offensive Player of the Year, a Defensive Player of the Year, Rookie of the Year and a Coaching

Staff of the Year. **Coaches may not vote for their own players.** The completed ballot shall be submitted electronically to the League Office no later than noon on the Wednesday prior to the league tournament semifinals.

3. **Determination of All-League Team.** Players with the most points shall be accorded 1st team All-League status. If a tie exists in the voting, multiple players shall be recognized on the respective All-League team. Any athlete receiving votes from one-third of the coaches, but not on 1st or 2nd team, will be recognized as honorable mention.
4. **Determination of Players/Rookie/Coaching Staff of the Year.** For the Offensive Player, Defensive Player, Rookie and Coaching Staff of the Year honors, coaches shall vote for their top three choices with three points given for a 1st-place vote, two for a 2nd-place vote, and one for a 3rd-place vote. **Coaches may not for their own players or coaching staff.** Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named.
5. **Awards Announcement.** The All-Liberty League team and awards will be announced no earlier than Tuesday following the conclusion of the Liberty League championship.

B. Most Outstanding Performer. At the conclusion of the championship, the athletic communications staff of the host institution in conjunction with league officials shall select a Most Outstanding Performer. The honoree shall be recognized at the conclusion of the championship and shall receive a plaque/trophy. (5/18)

C. Weekly Honors. The League Office, in coordination with the athletic communications offices, will recognize Offensive and Defensive Performers of the Week and Rookie of the Week for individual performances throughout the season. Nominations shall be submitted electronically by each institution to the League Office no later than noon each Monday.

D. All-Academic Team. To be selected for the All-Academic Team, a student-athlete must meet the following criteria:

1. Must be a sophomore or higher in class standing. Transfers must have served a year in residence. Graduate transfers are immediately eligible.
2. Must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.30 or higher (or its equivalent as determined by the institution) based on a 4.0 scale. The GPA must be at least 3.30, not 3.29 and rounded to the nearest tenth of a point.

FOOTBALL

I. General Regulations.

A. NCAA Automatic Qualifier. The winner of the league, as determined by round-robin competition will receive the Liberty League's automatic qualifier to the NCAA championship.

B. Determination of Champion. The Liberty League champion will be the team with the best winning percentage in league games. If teams have the same records, the tiebreaker will be head-to-head competition. If the two teams in a tie situation also tied during the season, the Liberty League tiebreaking system shall be used to determine the automatic qualifier. Prior to using the formula to determine the automatic qualifier, co-champions would be declared.

1. Best Overall Winning Percentage:

- a) Head-to-head results.
- b) Comparison of records between tied institutions beginning with the lowest conference finisher and continuing through the highest conference finisher. If more than two teams are tied, at the point one team has been eliminated, revert back to step (a), (head-to-head results).
- c) Comparison of final winning percentage against all opponents with a record of .500 or above. At the point when one team has been eliminated, revert back to step (a), (head-to-head results).
- d) Comparison of final winning percentage against all opponents with a record below .500. At the point when one team has been eliminated, revert back to step 1 (head-to-head results).
- e) The higher-ranked team in the NCAA Power Index (NPI) at the conclusion of the regular season. (5/25)

C. NCAA Participants. Liberty League institutions that have been selected to compete in the NCAA Division III Football Championship will adhere to policies set forth in the NCAA Championship Handbook.

D. Officials. Seven football officials are to be used in all league games. The host school shall have officials assigned through the designated Liberty League assigner.

1. **Fees.** Officiating fees shall be set by the Directors of Athletics at the annual meeting in conjunction with the designated Liberty League assigner.

E. Game Administration.

1. **Game Times.** Institutions should make every effort to schedule league contests with a start time between 12-2 p.m. Start times should be communicated to visiting institutions by May 1 of the game year.

a) League game starting times may be adjusted due to mitigating circumstances (i.e. darkness, campus events) or mutual agreement by involved teams.

2. **Pre-game Timing.** The pre-game procedure is based on NCAA policy:

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| 90 minutes prior | Referee and umpire meet with head coaches and captains |
| 60 minutes prior | (or before) Clock operator meets with referee |
| 25 minutes prior | Officials take the field for preliminary responsibilities |
| 5 minutes prior | National Anthem (time may vary depending on home team policy) |
| 3 minutes prior | Coin toss with captains in center of field. Teams at the sidelines |
| Kickoff | Game Begins |

3. **Introduction of Teams.** The timing of team introductions is optional, but is not to interfere with the National Anthem.

4. **Changes.** Any procedure different from the above is to be thoroughly reviewed with the officials, visiting coaches and press box personnel.

5. **Field Division.** The field shall initially be divided in an L shape in front of each team's home bench (long side-short side). The 50 yard line will separate both teams 45 minutes prior to kick off (prior to teams leaving the field). (5/19)

6. **Ball Crew.** In order to effect good game administration, there should always be a minimum of three game balls provided by the home team. Two ball persons (one on each sideline) must be provided at every game by the home team. The ball persons should be at least high school age and be instructed to report to the officials when they take the field for their pre-game duties. In wet weather, they should have an ample supply of dry towels.

7. **Chain Crew.** In addition to a dependable individual to run the down box and two dependable people to handle the chains, there should be a fourth person with a clip to insure against a lost spot. This crew should be provided by the home team and report to the head linesman when the game officials arrive on the field. The crew is to be reminded that they are to remain impartial and rooting is not acceptable behavior.

8. **Complimentary Admissions.** The visiting team shall be allowed 150 complimentary tickets to be distributed in accordance with NCAA regulations.

9. **Field Markings.** Football fields are to be marked in accordance with the NCAA Official Football Rules.

10. **Game Balls.** Each team is to provide its own game balls.

11. **Headphones.** Each institution is responsible for providing its own headphones and communication system.
12. **Bench Technology.** Standard tablets for in-game video only are permitted per NCAA Rule 1-4-11-a. A team may have up to 18 standard tablets active, and all of team personnel may view the tablets. Each team is responsible for providing its own video feed.
13. **Coach-to-Player Communication:** Per NCAA Rules, teams are permitted to utilize coach-to-player communication devices. No more than 3 devices shall be permitted on the field per offensive or defensive snap; there is no limit to the number of devices that can be on the field during a special teams play; there will be no cut off on the flow of data from player to coach.
14. **Practice-Visiting Team.** Any Friday pre-game workouts shall be scheduled by the two head coaches based on the field availability. Home teams must provide a time slot to accommodate the visiting teams. This time must be at the visitor's choice according to field availability. This workout shall be at the game site unless conditions prevent both teams from practicing at that site.
15. **Pre-game and Halftime Entertainment.** The director of athletics involved shall make agreeable arrangements for pre-game and halftime entertainment in order that the game may be played in compliance with existing NCAA rules. The halftime intermission shall be twenty (20) minutes in length (25 minutes if mutually agreed upon). Any entertainment, music played during pre-game and halftime must be within Liberty League Sport Guidelines.
16. **Services.** The host school should provide the visiting team the following services:
 - a) **Game Programs:** Data for game programs should be exchanged by athletic communications offices ten (10) days prior to the game.
 - b) **Press Box:** Press box space for a minimum of four (4) spotters, space permitting.
 - c) **Bench Seating:** Equal bench seating shall be provided on the sidelines for both teams. (5/14)
 - d) **Medical Services:** Appropriate medical personnel, i.e. a doctor and/or paramedics, on site and a plan for emergency transport for all games. Ice for athletic trainer's use.
 - e) **Radio Line:** A complimentary radio phone line if one is available.
 - f) **Statistics:** Three sets of game statistics before the team departs the facility.
 - g) **Tarp:** During inclement weather, if a tarp is provided for the home team's sideline, a tarp also will be provided for the visiting team's sideline.
 - h) **Sideline Security:** The host institution shall keep unauthorized personnel out of the playing field/bench area and shall be

responsible for providing necessary and appropriate event security.

- i) **25-Second Clock:** The home team shall be responsible for providing a 25-second clock to be operated by assigned official.
- j) **Travel Squad Size:** The visiting team may dress as many players as institutional policy permits.
- k) **Uniforms:** In games involving league opponents, the home team shall wear dark-colored jerseys and the visiting team shall wear white jerseys unless mutually agreed upon.

F. Miscellaneous Procedures.

1. **Scouting.** There shall be no live scouting of games involving league members. Scouting is only permitted through regular video exchange. There shall be no video exchange during the season or out-of-season with non-conference members unless an opponent is mutual and the game is part of a regular video exchange.
 - a) **Video Exchange.** Conference members shall exchange video in high-definition (HD) format. Video from all games shall be uploaded to the designated video exchange server (Hudl in 2021) prior to midnight on Saturday following the completion of each game. It is the responsibility of the Liberty League team in each non-conference game, home or away, to ensure that a play-by-play is available for the exchange. Based on each school's video capability; memory units, O/D/K interleaves, wide and tight video and clock will be exchanged. At the minimum, each school should provide an interleaved O/D/K with down and distance, yard line, and hash mark of each game exchanged. (5/13; 5/15; 6/17; 5/19)
2. **Halftime Review of Targeting Fouls.** The home team in all Liberty League games shall provide for the use of video replay by officials at halftime to review targeting calls that result in first-half ejections. (6/17)
3. **Out-of-Season Practice.** All out-of-season activities will comply with NCAA rules and regulations.

II. Awards.

- A. **Championship Trophy/Plaque.** The winner(s) of the Liberty League will be named the conference champion and shall receive a Liberty League championship trophy/plaque.
- B. **All-Liberty League Team.**
 1. Coaches from member institutions shall nominate players for the All-League Team.

2. There will be a 1st Team and 2nd Team. Any athlete receiving votes from one-third of the coaches, but not on 1st or 2nd team, will be recognized as honorable mention.
3. The Offensive Team shall consist of:
 - a) One (1) Tight End
 - b) Two (2) Wide receivers
 - c) Five (5) Offensive Lineman
 - d) One (1) Quarterback
 - e) Two (2) Running Backs
 - f) One (1) Additional Offensive Player
4. The Defensive Team shall consist of:
 - a) Four (4) Defensive Linemen
 - b) Four (4) Linebackers
 - c) Four (4) Defensive Backs
5. The Specialists shall consist of:
 - a) One (1) Kicker
 - b) One (1) Punter
 - c) One (1) Return Specialist
 - d) One (1) Athlete (5/14)
6. Special Awards:
 - a) Offensive Player of the Year
 - b) Defensive Player of the Year
 - c) Special Teams Player of the Year
 - d) Rookie of the Year
 - e) Coaching Staff of the Year
7. **Weekly Awards.** Offensive Player of the Week, Defensive Player of the Week, Special Teams Player of the Week and Rookie of the Week will be selected each week by the league office.
8. **All-Academic Team.** All-Academic Team honors will be extended to players who are in their second year of residence and who have a cumulative GPA of 3.3 or higher.
9. Weekly Award winners, All-Conference and All-Academic winners will receive certificates provided by their respective SIDs. Special Award winners will receive a plaque and Coaching Staff of the Year will receive a plaque.

C. All-Liberty League Selection Procedures.

1. The Liberty League office shall solicit nominations from each member athletic communications staff two weeks before the date of the last regular season game.
2. Athletic communications staffs shall submit nominations electronically to the Liberty League office by Wednesday of the last week of the regular season.
3. Coaches shall nominate their own players. Players shall be nominated in rank order at each position.

4. The Liberty League office shall prepare ballots for nominated players at each position, indicating nominated rank, and provide a ballot to each member institution's Head Coach.
5. The Head Coaches shall select the All-League team and Special Award winners. Coaches may not vote for nominees from their own institutions. The Liberty League office will facilitate a conference call with the Head Coaches on the Sunday after the last game of the regular season to discuss nominees. (5/20)
6. Coaches will vote for players at each position and rank them in order of ability starting with 1 and continuing until voting is such that two teams are filled at each position.
7. The Liberty League office shall tabulate the results and present the All-League Team the day after voting is completed.
8. The top vote-getter(s) at each position shall be named to the First Team; the second highest vote-getter(s) shall be named to the Second Team. In the event of a tie, both nominees involved in the tie will be placed on the higher team.
9. Only those players receiving at least two votes shall be eligible to be named to the Honorable Mention Team.

D. Weekly Honors. The League Office, in coordination with the athletic communications offices, will recognize Offensive and Defensive Performers of the Week, Special Teams Performer of the Week and Rookie of the Week for individual performances throughout the season. Nominations shall be submitted electronically by each institution to the League Office no later than noon each Monday.

E. All-Academic Team. To be selected for the All-Academic Team, a student-athlete must meet the following criteria:

1. Must be a sophomore or higher in class standing. Transfers must have served a year in residence. Graduate transfers are immediately eligible.
2. Must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.30 or higher (or its equivalent as determined by the institution) based on a 4.0 scale. The GPA must be at least 3.30, not 3.29 and rounded to the nearest tenth of a point.

GOLF (MEN'S).

I. League Tournament.

- A. Competing Institutions.** The following institutions compete for the Liberty League men's golf championship: Clarkson University, Hobart College, New York University, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, University of Rochester, St. Lawrence University, Skidmore College.
- B. Format.** The championship format shall consist of a three-day, 54-hole stroke play championship tournament in the spring consisting of all teams. The tournament shall be played at an 18-hole neutral-site course, to conclude no later than the last available Sunday prior to NCAA selections.
- 1. Practice Round.** Each team shall be permitted one practice round on the championship course.
- C. Designated Host Rotation.** The designated host of the championship tournament will rotate among all member institutions: NYU, St. Lawrence, Rochester, Clarkson, Skidmore, Hobart, RPI. The coach of the host institution will be supported by the coach of the previous host institution with an advance checklist and operation setup. The host institution is responsible for collecting team entries, entry fees and paying all associated costs, including but not limited to host course greens fees, live scoring and USGA rules officials. The entry fee should be determined in advance to reflect all fees being divided equally.
- D. Tournament Committee.** A tournament committee shall be convened to address issues that arise during the tournament that are not covered in the sport guidelines. The tournament committee shall consist of three head coaches. The coach of the designated host institution shall serve as chair. The coach from the previous host institution and the coach of the next host institution shall serve as the other two members tournament committee members.
- E. Officials.** Every effort shall be made by the host institution to secure up to two officials through the local USGA chapter to be used in all rounds of the spring championship to make rules interpretations and decisions on halting play. Cost for the officials will be shared equally by all participating institutions as part of the tournament entry fee.
- F. Determination of Team Champion.** Five players per team shall compete with the top four scores among those five each round counted toward the team score. The team with the lowest cumulative score in the 54-hole stroke play championship tournament shall be designated as league champion and will receive the automatic qualifier to the NCAA Championship. If a tie exists after 54

holes at the conclusion of the championship, a team playoff shall be conducted in accordance with the NCAA Championship tiebreaker (below).

Team ties shall be broken by a sudden-death playoff counting the low four scores relative to par on each hole. Play shall continue with new scoring on each successive hole until a winner is determined. The tournament committee in conjunction with the course pro will determine the starting holes. If a playoff involves more than two teams, a shotgun format shall be used.

Teams will draw for positions. For a two-team playoff, the winner of the draw shall have the option of the A or B positions set forth below. For a playoff involving more than two teams, the teams shall assume the drawn letter position (A, B, C, etc.) set forth below.

TWO TEAMS (A & B; tee off alternately)

Group #1: #5A #5B #4A #4B #3A playoff hole #1
Group #2: #3B #2A #2B #1A #1B playoff hole #1

THREE TEAMS

A#5 B#5 C#5 playoff hole #5
A#4 B#4 C#4 playoff hole #4
A#3 B#3 C#3 playoff hole #3
A#2 B#2 C#2 playoff hole #2
A#1 B#1 C#1 playoff hole #1

FOUR TEAMS

A#5 B#5 C#5 D#5 playoff hole #5
A#4 B#4 C#4 D#4 playoff hole #4
A#3 B#3 C#3 D#3 playoff hole #3
A#2 B#2 C#2 D#2 playoff hole #2
A#1 B#1 C#1 D#1 playoff hole #1

- 1. Weather and/or Course Playability Contingency.** If weather and/or course conditions preclude a 54-hole spring championship tournament, the league champion and NCAA qualifier will be declared based on the number of 9-hole stipulated rounds completed by the field up to 54 holes (45, 36, 27, 18, 9). If no 9-hole stipulated rounds can be completed during the three scheduled 18-hole rounds in the spring, the NCAA qualifier will be the top-seeded team as determined prior to the championship.
- 2. Weather Contingency Tiebreaker.** In the event of a tie after the last stipulated round is complete AND there is no ability to conduct a team playoff, the drop score from the last round will be used as the tiebreaker in the following order:
3rd-round 18-hole drop score
3rd-round 9-hole drop score

- 2nd-round 18-hole drop score
- 2nd-round 9-hole drop score
- 1st-round 18-hole drop score
- 1st-round 9-hole drop score

G. Entrants. Each institution must start the tournament with four players. Teams may enter five (5) players with the top four scores among those five in each round counted toward the team score. Teams are not permitted to make lineup substitutions once the tournament has begun.

H. Tee Times & Pairings. Tee times (as early as possible each day in partnership with the host golf course) will be determined by the designated host institution in conjunction with the course pro. Teams will be seeded according to the most recent national ranking analysis vendor (i.e., Golfstat) ranking by the Wednesday prior to the start of the championship. Pairings for subsequent rounds will be by team place according to cumulative team score. Ties for seeding will be broken by the most recently completed round’s drop score.

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| Group #1 | Seed 7 #5 | Seed 6 #5 | Seed 5 #5 | |
| Group #2 | Seed 7 #4 | Seed 6 #4 | Seed 5 #4 | |
| Group #3 | Seed 7 #3 | Seed 6 #3 | Seed 5 #3 | |
| Group #4 | Seed 7 #2 | Seed 6 #2 | Seed 5 #2 | |
| Group #5 | Seed 7 #1 | Seed 6 #1 | Seed 5 #1 | |
| Group #6 | Seed 4 #5 | Seed 3 #5 | Seed 2#5 | Seed 1 #5 |
| Group #7 | Seed 4 #4 | Seed 3 #4 | Seed 2#4 | Seed 1 #4 |
| Group #8 | Seed 4 #3 | Seed 3 #3 | Seed 2#3 | Seed 1 #3 |
| Group #9 | Seed 4 #2 | Seed 3 #2 | Seed 2#2 | Seed 1 #2 |
| Group #10 | Seed 4 #1 | Seed 3 #1 | Seed 2#1 | Seed 1 #1 |

I. Range Finders. The use of range finders (distance only) by participating teams is permitted.

J. Listening Devices. The use of headphones, earbuds and other listening devices is not permitted during championship play, but is permitted during warmup.

K. Suspension of play (5/09).

- Discontinue Play Immediately: One prolonged note of siren
- Discontinue Play: Three consecutive notes of siren, repeated
- Resume Play: Two short notes of siren, repeated

USGA Rule 6-8: When play is suspended by the committee, if the players in a match or group are between the play of two holes, they must not resume play until the committee has ordered a resumption of play. If they have started play of a hole, they may discontinue play immediately or continue play of the hole, provided they do so without delay. If the players choose to continue play of the

hole, they are permitted to discontinue play before completing it. In any case, play must be discontinued after the hole is completed. The players must resume play when the Committee has ordered a resumption of play.

The Committee may provide in the conditions of a competition (Rule 33-1), that, in potentially dangerous situation play must be discontinued immediately following suspension of play by the Committee. If a player fails to discontinue play immediately, he is disqualified, unless circumstances warrant waiving the penalty as provided in Rule 33-7.

- L. **Live Scoring.** The host institution shall arrange for live scoring where individual scores will be posted on the internet (e.g., Scoreboard) during the tournament.

II. Awards.

- A. **Player of the Year.** Player of the Year shall be determined by ballot vote of the league's head coaches at the conclusion of the spring season.
- B. **Rookie of the Year.** Rookie of the Year shall be determined by ballot vote of the league's head coaches at the conclusion of the spring season. The Rookie of the Year need not be a freshman, but must have no previous collegiate experience (i.e., transfer).
- C. **Coaching Staff of the Year.** Coaching Staff of the Year shall be determined by ballot vote of the league's head coaches at the conclusion of the spring season.
- D. **All-Liberty League.** All-Liberty League shall be determined by ballot vote of the league's head coaches at the conclusion of the spring season. The All-Liberty League Team shall consist of 10 players – five each on a 1st Team and 2nd Team. Any athlete receiving votes from one-third of the coaches, but not on 1st or 2nd team, will be recognized as honorable mention.
- E. **Medalist/Runner-Up.** An award/plaque shall be presented to both the individual winner/medalist and the runner-up immediately following the spring championship. The medalist and runner-up shall be determined based on the 54-hole stroke play championship tournament in the spring. In the event of a tie for medalist honors, a sudden-death playoff shall be conducted. The tournament committee in conjunction with the course pro will determine the starting hole and order of playoff holes. In the event that both a team playoff and individual playoff are required, the team playoff shall take precedence. (6/17)
- F. **Weekly Honors.** The League Office, in coordination with the athletic communications offices, will recognize a Performer of the Week and Rookie of the Week for individual performances throughout the season. Nominations shall

be submitted electronically by each institution to the League Office no later than noon each Monday.

- G. All-Academic Team.** To be selected for the All-Academic Team, a student-athlete must meet the following criteria:
1. Must be a sophomore or higher in class standing. Transfers must have served a year in residence. Graduate transfers are immediately eligible.
 2. Must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.30 or higher (or its equivalent as determined by the institution) based on a 4.0 scale. The GPA must be at least 3.30, not 3.29 and rounded to the nearest tenth of a point.
- H. Eligibility for Awards.** An individual need not be one of an institution's five designated scorers in order to earn individual awards or recognition.

GOLF (WOMEN'S).

I. League Tournament.

- A. Competing Institutions.** The following institutions compete for the Liberty League women's golf championship: Ithaca College, New York University, St. Lawrence University, Union College, Vassar College, Wellesley College, William Smith College.
- B. Format.** A two-day, 36-hole stroke play tournament for all teams shall be conducted on Saturday and Sunday, no later than the last available weekend prior to NCAA championship selections. In the event that inclement weather results in the cancellation of play on either Saturday or Sunday, the tournament may be shortened to 18 holes. It shall be the decision of the Commissioner, Course Pro and Tournament Committee to declare the event cancelled at any point prior to the completion of 18 holes. If the tournament is cancelled prior to the completion of 18 holes, the Liberty League champion and NCAA automatic bid recipient shall be the team with the highest Scoreboard ranking at that time. (5/14; 5/17)
- 1. Tournament Schedule.** In the event that the course cannot accommodate a Saturday-Sunday tournament, Friday and Saturday shall serve as the secondary option. (6/17)
 - 2. Completion of Tournament.** In order for the Liberty League to declare its NCAA automatic bid, the tournament shall be concluded by no later than 5:30 p.m. on Sunday. (6/17)
- C. Championship Course.** The championship shall be played at an 18-hole neutral-site course. (6/21)
- D. Tournament Committee.** A tournament committee shall be convened to address issues that arise during the tournament that are not covered in the sport guidelines. The tournament committee shall consist of three head coaches. The coach of the host institution shall serve as chair. The two additional coaches shall be selected by ballot among all coaches. The ballot for the tournament committee shall be disseminated no later than Friday, two weeks prior to the tournament.
- E. Entrants.** Each institution must start the tournament with four players. Seeding will be determined based on five players per team with the top four scores among those five in each round counted toward the team score. (6/16)
- F. Tee Times & Pairings.** Tee times (recommended times of 9 a.m. both days) will be determined by the host institution in conjunction with the course pro. For the first round, teams will be paired in groups of three with seeds assigned

according to the latest Scoreboard ranking. Second-round pairings will be by team place according to cumulative team score.

First Round Pairings.

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| Group #1 | | Seed 8 #5 | Seed 7 #5 |
| Group #2 | Seed 6 #5 | Seed 5 #5 | Seed 8 #4 |
| Group #3 | Seed 7 #4 | Seed 6 #4 | Seed 5 #4 |
| Group #4 | Seed 8 #3 | Seed 7 #3 | Seed 6 #3 |
| Group #5 | Seed 5 #3 | Seed 8 #2 | Seed 7 #2 |
| Group #6 | Seed 6 #2 | Seed 5 #2 | Seed 8 #1 |
| Group #7 | Seed 7 #1 | Seed 6 #1 | Seed 5 #1 |
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| Group #8 | | Seed 4 #5 | Seed 3 #5 |
| Group #9 | Seed 2 #5 | Seed 1 #5 | Seed 4 #4 |
| Group #10 | Seed 3 #4 | Seed 2 #4 | Seed 1 #4 |
| Group #11 | Seed 4 #3 | Seed 3 #3 | Seed 2 #3 |
| Group #12 | Seed 1 #3 | Seed 4 #2 | Seed 3 #2 |
| Group #13 | Seed 2 #2 | Seed 1 #2 | Seed 4 #1 |
| Group #14 | Seed 3 #1 | Seed 2 #1 | Seed 1 #1 |

Second Round Pairings. If two or more teams are tied after the first round, the following tiebreaking procedures shall be applied successively. Once any tie is broken, the procedure shall be restarted for any remaining ties. 1.) lowest score of the fifth golfers; 2.) team scores for the back nine; 3.) team scores for holes 16, 17 and 18; 4.) team scores for hole 18; 5.) if needed, use 2, 3 and 4 respectively for the front nine. Note: team scores = low 4 scores per team for round 1.

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| Group #1 | | Team Place 8 #5 | Team Place 7 #5 |
| Group #2 | Team Place 6 #5 | Team Place 5 #5 | Team Place 8 #4 |
| Group #3 | Team Place 7 #4 | Team Place 6 #4 | Team Place 5 #4 |
| Group #4 | Team Place 8 #3 | Team Place 7 #3 | Team Place 6 #3 |
| Group #5 | Team Place 5 #3 | Team Place 8 #2 | Team Place 7 #2 |
| Group #6 | Team Place 6 #2 | Team Place 5 #2 | Team Place 8 #1 |
| Group #7 | Team Place 7 #1 | Team Place 6 #1 | Team Place 5 #1 |
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| Group #8 | | Team Place 4 #5 | Team Place 3 #5 |
| Group #9 | Team Place 2 #5 | Team Place 1 #5 | Team Place 4 #4 |
| Group #10 | Team Place 3 #4 | Team Place 2 #4 | Team Place 1 #4 |
| Group #11 | Team Place 4 #3 | Team Place 3 #3 | Team Place 2 #3 |
| Group #12 | Team Place 1 #3 | Team Place 4 #2 | Team Place 3 #2 |
| Group #13 | Team Place 2 #2 | Team Place 1 #2 | Team Place 4 #1 |
| Group #14 | Team Place 3 #1 | Team Place 2 #1 | Team Place 1 #1 |

- G. Determination of Team Champion.** Five players per team shall compete with the top four scores among those five each round counted toward the team score.

The team with the lowest cumulative score in stroke play shall be designated as league champion and will receive the automatic qualifier to the NCAA Championship. In the event that two teams finish tied, the scores of the fifth golfer (the score not included in the team score) during the second round of competition shall serve as the tiebreaker in determining the league champion. In the event of a tie between the fifth golfers during the second round, the scores of the fifth golfers during the first round will then be compared. If a tie still exists, a team playoff shall be conducted in accordance with the NCAA Championship tiebreaker. Ties shall be broken during a sudden-death playoff counting the low four scores relative to par on each hole. The tournament committee will determine the sequence of holes. Teams will draw for order in the playoff. The winner of the draw shall have the option of the A or B positions set forth below. For the playoff, the team leading after the first round of the competition will draw first. The order of play shall be:

Group #1: #5A #5B #4A #4B #3A playoff hole #1
Group #2: #3B #2A #2B #1A #1B playoff hole #1

- H. Live Scoring.** The host institution shall arrange for live scoring where individual scores will be posted on the internet during the tournament. (5/15)
 - I. Coaches Meeting.** An annual coaches meeting shall typically be held during the week following the Liberty League championship or on another date mutually agreed upon by the coaches.
- II. Awards.**
- A. Player of the Year.** Player of the Year shall be determined by ballot vote of the league's head coaches at the conclusion of the spring season. In order to be nominated for the award, an individual must have participated in both the fall and spring seasons. (5/13)
 - B. Rookie of the Year.** Rookie of the Year shall be determined by ballot vote of the league's head coaches at the conclusion of the spring season. In order to be nominated for the award, an individual must have participated in both the fall and spring seasons. The Rookie of the Year need not be a first-year student, but must have no previous collegiate experience (i.e., transfer). (5/13)
 - C. Coaching Staff of the Year.** Coaching Staff of the Year shall be determined by ballot vote of the league's head coaches at the conclusion of the spring season.
 - D. All-Liberty League.** The top ten scorers plus ties shall be designated as All-Liberty League performers. Individuals in places 1-5 shall earn 1st Team recognition while individuals in places 6-10 shall earn 2nd Team recognition. Individuals finishing in places 11-13 shall be recognized as Honorable Mention. (9/18)

- E. Medalist/Runner-Up.** An award/plaque shall be presented to both the individual winner/medalist and the runner-up immediately following the championship. In the event of a tie for medalist honors, co-medalists shall be honored. (6/17)
- F. All-Academic Team.** To be selected for the All-Academic Team, a student-athlete must meet the following criteria:
1. Must be a sophomore or higher in class standing. Transfers must have served a year in residence. Graduate transfers are immediately eligible.
 2. Must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.30 or higher (or its equivalent as determined by the institution) based on a 4.0 scale. The GPA must be at least 3.30, not 3.29 and rounded to the nearest tenth of a point.
- G. Eligibility for Awards.** An individual need not be one of an institution's five designated scorers in order to earn individual awards or recognition.

LACROSSE (MEN'S).

I. General Regulations.

- A. **Determination of Regular-Season Champion.** The regular-season champion will be the team with the best winning percentage in league play. Head-to-head competition will determine the winner in a tie situation. If three or more teams are tied after head-to-head results are considered, the Liberty League tiebreaker system will be implemented.
- B. **Scheduling.** Teams play a single round-robin schedule. Travel-partner games shall be scheduled by mutual agreement between the two institutions.
- C. **Officials.** Three officials, assigned through the designated Liberty League assigner, shall be used in all league games.
- D. **Video Exchange.** There shall be unlimited online video exchange. Video exchange shall adhere to the following guidelines:
 - 1. Video exchange shall be conducted through an online video exchange system designated by the league (Hudl in 2026).
 - 2. Each team must upload all of its games, both league and non-league, to the designated exchange system.
 - 3. A team shall not be permitted to download any games until all completed games have been uploaded.
 - 4. Each home game must be uploaded by noon the day following the game.
 - 5. Each away game must be uploaded by noon the day following the team's return to campus.
 - 6. The home team in league play shall be responsible for uploading the game. The home team shall share the video upload with the visiting team for all league games.
 - 7. League tournament games must be uploaded by the home team following each game.
- E. **Coaches Meeting.** An annual coaches meeting shall typically be held the Wednesday prior to the Liberty League tournament semifinals or on another date mutually agreed upon by the coaches.

II. League Tournament.

- A. **Format.** A 5-team championship will be conducted under a Tuesday-Friday-Sunday format with the championship game scheduled on the last available Sunday prior to NCAA championship selections. The tournament champion will receive the automatic qualifier to the NCAA championship.
- B. **Selection & Seeding.** Teams will be selected and seeded based on league regular-season results (winning percentage).

- C. Tiebreaker Seeding.** Ties will be broken using the established Liberty League tiebreaker procedure (see Section I. B., Tiebreaking Procedures on page 15).
- D. Tournament Hosts.** The higher-seeded teams will be given the first opportunity to host. If they decline or are unable to host, the lower-seeded teams will be given the opportunity to host.
- E. Tournament Schedule.**

| Tuesday | Pairings | Time |
|----------------|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| First Round | #5 at #4 | 4 p.m. |
| Friday | | |
| Semifinal | #4/#5 winner at #1 | 4 p.m. |
| Semifinal | #3 at #2 | 4 p.m. |
| Sunday | | |
| Championship | Semifinals winners at higher seed | Noon |

- F. Game times.** Recommended game times are 4 p.m. for first-round and semifinal games and noon for the championship game. Teams may mutually agree to alternate times. In the event of a facility conflict with a regular-season contest (e.g., women’s lacrosse game), the previously scheduled regular-season contest shall take precedence over the league tournament game in establishing a game time.
- G. Venue.** The site of competition must align with NCAA tournament guidelines. An institution that does not meet the NCAA site guidelines may secure an alternate site.
- H. Weather.**
 1. If the entire tournament is cancelled due to inclement weather, the champion will be determined by regular season league results. All ties will be broken by using the established Liberty League tiebreaker procedure (see Section I. B., Tiebreaking Procedures on page 15).
 2. If the tournament is cancelled after it has begun, the highest remaining seed will receive the automatic qualifier to the NCAA championship.
- I. Uniforms.** The higher seeds will be the home teams and will wear white.
- J. Officials.** Three officials, assigned through the designated Liberty League assigner, shall be used in all tournament games. A table/alternate official, scheduled through the league assigner, shall also be used for the championship game.

III. Awards.

- A. All-League Team.** At the conclusion of the regular-season, the league coaches will select an All-Liberty League team. The men's lacrosse team will generally be comprised of (3) attackers, (3) midfielders, (1) long-stick midfielder, (2) short-stick midfielders, (1) face-off specialist, (3) defensemen and (1) goalie on both a 1st and 2nd team. The coaches will also select an Offensive Player of the Year, Defensive Player of the Year, Rookie of the Year and Coaching Staff of the Year.
- 1. Nominations.** Coaches shall nominate players from their teams for All-League no later than the Monday prior to the league tournament. Nominations shall be submitted electronically to the League Office in coordination with the athletic communications staff at each institution. There is no limit on the number of players that can be nominated for All-League consideration, although nominees should be starters or key reserves. Only one player may be nominated for each of the Offensive Player, Defensive Player and Rookie of the Year awards.
 - 2. Voting Procedure.** The League Office will compile and disseminate a ballot and conduct a conference call with the coaches to review the nominations on the Wednesday prior to the league semifinals. Coaches should vote for 1st and 2nd team selections, an Offensive Player of the Year, a Defensive Player of the Year, Rookie of the Year and a Coaching Staff of the Year. **Coaches may not vote for their own players.** The completed ballot shall be submitted electronically to the League Office no later than Thursday prior to the league tournament semifinals.
 - 3. Determination of All-League Team.** Players with the most points shall be accorded 1st team All-League status. If a tie exists in the voting, multiple players shall be recognized on the respective All-League team. Any athlete receiving votes from one-third of the coaches, but not on 1st or 2nd team, will be recognized as honorable mention.
 - 4. Determination of Players/Rookie/Coaching Staff of the Year.** For the Offensive Player, Defensive Player, Rookie and Coaching Staff of the Year honors, coaches shall vote for their top three choices with three points given for a 1st-place vote, two for a 2nd-place vote, and one for a 3rd-place vote. **Coaches may not vote for their own players or coaching staff.** Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named.
 - 5. Awards Announcement.** The All-Liberty League team and awards will be announced no earlier than Tuesday following the conclusion of the Liberty League championship.
- B. Most Outstanding Performer.** At the conclusion of the championship, the athletic communications staff of the host institution in conjunction with league officials shall select a Most Outstanding Performer. The honoree shall be recognized at the conclusion of the championship and shall receive a plaque/trophy. (5/18)
- C. Weekly Honors.** The League Office, in coordination with the athletic communications offices, will recognize Offensive and Defensive Performers of the Week and Rookie of the Week for individual performances throughout the

season. Nominations shall be submitted electronically by each institution to the League Office no later than noon each Monday.

- D. All-Academic Team.** To be selected for the All-Academic Team, a student-athlete must meet the following criteria:
1. Must be a sophomore or higher in class standing. Transfers must have served a year in residence. Graduate transfers are immediately eligible.
 2. Must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.30 or higher (or its equivalent as determined by the institution) based on a 4.0 scale. The GPA must be at least 3.30, not 3.29 and rounded to the nearest tenth of a point.

LACROSSE (WOMEN'S).

I. General Regulations.

- A. Determination of Regular-Season Champion.** The regular-season champion will be the team with the best winning percentage in league play. Head-to-head competition will determine the winner in a tie situation. If three or more teams are tied after head-to-head results are considered, the Liberty League tiebreaker system will be implemented.
- B. Scheduling.** The league schedule shall consist of a single-round robin where each team plays one game against all other teams.
- C. Officials.** Three officials, assigned through the designated Liberty League assigner, shall be used in all league games.
- D. Video Exchange (6/16).** There shall be unlimited online video exchange within Liberty League competition. All coaches shall adhere to the following guidelines:
1. Video exchange in women's lacrosse shall be conducted through an online open video exchange service supported by the Intercollegiate Women's Lacrosse Coaches Association (IWLCA). All teams must adhere to the video exchange guidelines established by the IWLCA. All games shall be accessible to all teams, both league and non-league, who are participants in the IWLCA Open Video Exchange Library and there is no limit on the number of games that may be . Video on league teams shall not be shared with teams who do not participate in the IWLCA Open Video Exchange Library.
 2. League teams are prohibited from sharing verbal or written scouting reports on other league teams with non-league opponents.
 3. Teams may share video of their non-league games with teams outside of the league if they choose (e.g. Rochester may share its video from its Oswego game with Nazareth if Nazareth is not part of the IWLCA Open Video Exchange Library).
 4. The home team in league play shall be responsible for uploading the game(s) and ensuring that all teams in the league are sent and given access to every game.
 5. Friday/Saturday league games shall be uploaded within 24 hours of their completion, per the IWLCA video exchange policy. Friday games shall be uploaded and shared no earlier than 11 a.m. on Saturday. This is to prevent scouting on Friday night of the Saturday opponent.
 6. Stand-alone home games must be uploaded within 24 hours of their completion, but no later than noon the day following the game. (e.g., Rochester plays RIT on a Wednesday at home; Rochester should share its game to all coaches by noon on Thursday.)
 7. If the home team is unable to record the game due to inclement weather or experiences technical difficulties with the recording equipment, the

head coach is required to notify all league head coaches of issue in writing (email) as soon as this has been discovered.

- E. **Coaches Meeting.** An annual coaches meeting shall typically be held the Wednesday prior to the Liberty League tournament semifinals or on another date mutually agreed upon by the coaches.

II. League Tournament.

- A. **Format.** A 7-team championship will be conducted under a Tuesday-Friday-Sunday format with the championship game scheduled on the last available Sunday prior to NCAA championship selections. The tournament champion will receive the automatic qualifier to the NCAA championship.
- B. **Selection & Seeding.** Teams will be selected and seeded based on league regular season results (winning percentage).
- C. **Tiebreaker Seeding.** Ties will be broken using the established Liberty League tiebreaker procedure (see Section I. B., Tiebreaking Procedures on page 15).
- D. **Tournament Host.** The higher-seeded teams will be given the first opportunity to host. If they decline or are unable to host, the lower-seeded teams will be given the opportunity to host.
- E. **Tournament Schedule.**

| Tuesday | Pairings | Time |
|----------------|--|-------------|
| First Round | #5 at #4 | 4 p.m. |
| First Round | #6 at #3 | 4 p.m. |
| First Round | #7 at #2 | 4 p.m. |
| Friday | | |
| Semifinal | #4/#5 winner at #1 | 4 p.m. |
| Semifinal | #3/#6 winner vs. #2/#7 winner at higher seed | 4 p.m. |
| Sunday | | |
| Championship | Semifinals winners at higher seed | 1 p.m. |

- F. **Game times.** Recommended game times are 4 p.m. for first-round and semifinal games and 1 p.m. for the championship game. Teams may mutually agree to alternate times. In the event of a facility conflict with a regular-season contest (e.g., men’s lacrosse game), the previously scheduled regular-season contest shall take precedence over the league tournament game in establishing a game time.

G. Venue. The site of competition must align with NCAA tournament guidelines. An institution that does not meet the NCAA site guidelines may secure an alternate site.

H. Weather.

1. If the entire tournament is cancelled due to inclement weather, the champion will be determined by regular season league results. All ties will be broken by using the established Liberty League tiebreaker procedure (see Section I. B., Tiebreaking Procedures on page 15).
2. If the tournament is cancelled after it has begun, the highest remaining seed will receive the automatic qualifier to the NCAA championship.

I. Uniforms. The higher seeds will be the home teams and will wear white.

J. Officials. Three officials, assigned through the designated Liberty League assigner, shall be used in all tournament games.

III. Awards.

A. All-League Team. At the conclusion of the regular-season, the league coaches will select an All-Liberty League team. The women's lacrosse team will generally be comprised of (3) attackers, (5) midfielders, (3) defenders and (1) goalie on a 1st, 2nd and 3rd team. The coaches will also select an Attacker of the Year, Midfielder of the Year, Defensive Player of the Year, Rookie of the Year and Coaching Staff of the Year.

1. **Nominations.** Coaches shall nominate players from their teams for All-League no later than the Monday prior to the league tournament. Nominations shall be submitted electronically to the League Office in coordination with the athletic communications staff at each institution. There is no limit on the number of players that can be nominated for All-League consideration, although nominees should be starters or key reserves. Only one player may be nominated for each of the Offensive Player, Midfielder, Defensive Player and Rookie of the Year awards.
2. **Voting Procedure.** The League Office will compile and disseminate a ballot on the Monday prior to the league tournament. Coaches should vote for 1st, 2nd and 3rd team selections, an Offensive Player of the Year, a Midfielder of the Year, a Defensive Player of the Year, Rookie of the Year and a Coaching Staff of the Year. **Coaches may not vote for their own players.** The completed ballot shall be submitted electronically to the League Office no later than Wednesday prior to the league tournament semifinals.
3. **Determination of All-League Team.** Players with the most points shall be accorded 1st team All-League status. If a tie exists in the voting, multiple players shall be recognized on the respective All-League team.

4. **Determination of Players/Rookie/Coaching Staff of the Year.** For the Attacker, Midfielder, Defensive Player, Rookie and Coaching Staff of the Year honors, coaches shall vote for their top three choices with three points given for a 1st-place vote, two for a 2nd-place vote, and one for a 3rd-place vote. **Coaches may not vote for their own players or coaching staff.** Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named.
 5. **Awards Announcement.** The All-Liberty League team and awards will be announced no earlier than Tuesday following the conclusion of the Liberty League championship.
- B. Most Outstanding Performer.** At the conclusion of the championship, the athletic communications staff of the host institution in conjunction with league officials shall select a Most Outstanding Performer. The honoree shall be recognized at the conclusion of the championship and shall receive a plaque/trophy. (5/18)
- C. Weekly Honors.** The League Office, in coordination with the athletic communications offices, will recognize Offensive and Defensive Performers of the Week and Rookie of the Week for individual performances throughout the season. Nominations shall be submitted electronically by each institution to the League Office no later than noon each Monday.
- D. All-Academic Team.** To be selected for the All-Academic Team, a student-athlete must meet the following criteria:
1. Must be a sophomore or higher in class standing. Transfers must have served a year in residence. Graduate transfers are immediately eligible.
 2. Must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.30 or higher (or its equivalent as determined by the institution) based on a 4.0 scale. The GPA must be at least 3.30, not 3.29 and rounded to the nearest tenth of a point.

ROWING (MEN'S & WOMEN'S).

I. League Championship

- A. Eligibility.** To be eligible to compete in the Liberty League championship, an institution's men's rowing team must adhere to all applicable NCAA Division III women's rowing policies and guidelines with the exception of a postseason opportunity equivalent to the NCAA Championship (i.e., participation in the IRA Championship event or a comparable event consistent with additional racing opportunities specific to Division III women's rowing). (6/22)
- B. Format.**
1. The Liberty League Championship shall be held during the week preceding the week in which the NIRC event is conducted. Weeks are defined as Monday - Sunday.
 2. The championship will be contested on a 2,000-meter course mutually agreed upon by the coaches.
- C. Liberty League Team Champion / NCAA Automatic Qualifier.** The Liberty League team champion (men and women) and the NCAA automatic qualifier (women) will be determined by place finish in the Varsity Eight race ONLY. To receive the NCAA Automatic Qualifier (women), a team must also race a Second Varsity Eight boat at the Liberty League Championship as the AQ requires two boats to compete at the NCAA Championship. (5/18)
- D. Weather Contingency for NCAA Automatic Qualifier:** If inclement weather precludes the completion of the entire Liberty League championship, the following procedure will serve to determine the NCAA automatic qualifier: (9/15)
1. The schedule for the championship will be shortened and/or adjusted to emphasize the women's V8 and 2V8 events.
 2. If the Liberty League Championship cannot be completed, the final NCAA regional rankings established prior to the NCAA selection deadline will serve to determine the NCAA automatic qualifier (women).
- E. Responsibilities of Host Institution.**
1. Identify and pay a Local Organizing Committee (L.O.C.) Chairperson (not the host coach). The host will reasonably determine the fee.
 2. In conjunction with the L.O.C., make all necessary arrangements for regatta – personnel, facilities and medical using United States Rowing Association standards for safety.
 3. Coordinate race entries and seeding.
 4. Provide a race-day program and course map (in conjunction with the L.O.C.).

F. Course and Venue. It is recommended that the course and venue consist of the following:

1. A straight, 2,000-meter course with stake boats or platforms at the start with buoy lines every 250 meters.
2. An elevated finish line stand.
3. Lane targets painted a high-visibility color and not smaller than 4' x 8' in size.
4. One suitable radio for each Race Official, Dock Master and L.O.C. Chairperson.

G. Regatta Structure.

1. Events:

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| Men's Varsity 8 | Women's Varsity 8 |
| Men's 2nd Varsity 8 | Women's 2nd Varsity 8 |
| Men's 3rd Varsity 8 | Women's 3rd Varsity 8 |
| Men's Open Four | Women's Open Four |

Additional events such as 4th Varsity 8 may be added to accommodate entries.

2. There will be no doubling permitted unless a petition is filed 72 hours prior to race day. The review process of these petitions will involve all varsity coaches.
3. In the event the course can accommodate seven (7) lanes (one entry per each competing institution), all events will be conducted as championship finals with no heats. (9/15)
4. In a four-lane race format, there must be 6 or more boats entered in an event to necessitate both Grand and Petite Finals. In a three-lane format, there must be at least 5 boats entered in an event to necessitate both Grand and Petite Finals. There will be no third level finals and no points awarded to "B" entries. (revised 5/09)
5. Race schedule will be organized by host for review by all varsity coaches.
6. A coaches/coxswains meeting run by both the Race Officials and L.O.C. Chair will precede the races. Standard USRA procedure will govern the meeting agenda.
7. A practice window of 2-6 p.m. shall be provided the day prior to the championship. Teams are responsible for arranging their own launches.

H. Lane Assignments/Progression (6/17)

Lanes for heats will be assigned from Lane 7-1 (6-0 on the Saratoga Race Course), from highest to lowest seed, in a “slant.” In the event that weather conditions create a favored lane, a determination will be made by the LOC in advance of the Coaches and Coxswains Meeting that the highest seeds will receive the favored lanes.

The top three finishers from each heat will advance to the final. Lanes for heats will be as follows: Lane 1 (or 6) depending on the direction of the “slant”- Fastest Heat Winner, Lane 2 (5) – Second-Fastest Heat Winner, and so forth across the course.

I. Heats to Finals.

1. In the event heats are necessary, the crews will be placed in heats and lanes as follows: (revised 2/09; 9/15)
 - a. Six-lane format:
Heat 1: Lanes 2 to 5: #5, #1, #4, #8
Heat 2: Lanes 2 to 5: #6, #2, #3, #7
 - b. Four-lane format:
Heat 1: Lanes 1 to 4: #5, #1, #4, #8
Heat 2: Lanes 1 to 4: #6, #2, #3, #7
 - c. Three-lane format:
Heat 1: Lanes 1 to 3: #1, #4, #5
Heat 2: Lanes 1 to 3: #2, #3, #6
2. The crews will advance to the finals as follows: (revised 5/09; 9/15)
 - a. Six-lane format (single final):
Lane 1: next fastest time #3
Lane 2: next fastest time #1
Lane 3: winner heat 1
Lane 4: winner heat 2
Lane 5: next fastest time #2
Lane 6: next fastest time #4
 - b. Four-lane format:
Lane 1: next fastest time
Lane 2: winner heat 1
Lane 3: winner heat 2
Lane 4: next fastest time
 - c. Three-lane format:
Lane 1: Fastest Heat Winner
Lane 2: Next Fastest Heat Winner
Lane 3: Next Fastest Time

II. Awards.

- A. **Medals.** First-place medals shall be awarded for each event.

- B. Crew of the Year.** Crew of the Year shall be determined by ballot vote of the league's head coaches at the conclusion of the spring season.
- C. Coaching Staff of the Year.** Coaching Staff of the Year shall be determined by ballot vote of the league's head coaches at the conclusion of the spring season.
- D. All-Liberty League.** Coaches shall select their own representatives for the All-Liberty League teams based on their institution's finish in the Varsity 8 race. An institution that does not enter a boat in the Varsity 8 race will not be eligible for All-Liberty League recognition. Each placing boat will select the following number of student-athletes (coaches may select student-athletes from any one of their institution's boats, not just the Varsity 8 boat): (9/19)

First Team:

- 1st Place Boat – 1 Coxswain, 2 Rowers
- 2nd Place Boat – 2 Rowers
- 3rd Place Boat – 1 Rower
- 4th Place Boat – 1 Rower
- 5th Place Boat – 1 Rower
- 6th Place Boat – 1 Rower
- 7th Place Boat – 1 Rower
- 8th Place Boat – 0 Rowers

Second Team:

- 1st Place Boat – 2 Rowers
- 2nd Place Boat – 1 Coxswain, 1 Rower
- 3rd Place Boat – 1 Rower
- 4th Place Boat – 1 Rower
- 5th Place Boat – 1 Rower
- 6th Place Boat – 1 Rower
- 7th Place Boat – 1 Rower
- 8th Place Boat – 1 Rower

- E. Weekly Honors.** The League Office, in coordination with the athletic communications offices, will recognize a Boat of the Week for performances throughout the season. Nominations shall be submitted electronically by each institution to the League Office no later than noon each Monday.
- F. All-Academic Team.** To be selected for the All-Academic Team, a student-athlete must meet the following criteria:
 - 1. Must be a sophomore or higher in class standing. Transfers must have served a year in residence. Graduate transfers are immediately eligible.
 - 2. Must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.30 or higher (or its equivalent as determined by the institution) based on a 4.0 scale. The

GPA must be at least 3.30, not 3.29 and rounded to the nearest tenth of a point.

SOCCER (MEN'S & WOMEN'S).

I. General Regulations.

- A. Determination of Regular-Season Champion.** The regular-season champion will be determined by a point system as follows: teams will be awarded three points for a win and one point for a tie in Liberty League games. Head-to-head competition will determine the winner in a tie situation. If the teams remain tied, the Liberty League tiebreaker system will be implemented.
- B. Scheduling.** The league schedule shall consist of a single round-robin where each team plays one game against all other teams.
- C. Start Times.** Starting times for Liberty League games shall be 4 p.m. Friday and 2 p.m. Saturday for Friday/Saturday league weekends and 3 p.m. Saturday and 1 p.m. Sunday on Saturday/Sunday league weekends. Starting times for single Saturday games shall be 3 p.m. unless the teams mutually agree to an alternate time (5/14). Any changes to these times due to facilities conflicts or other issues must be communicated to all teams involved in the weekend schedule as well as the League Office. (5/08)
- 1. Final Weekend.** Starting times for games the final Saturday of the regular season shall be 2 p.m. unless facility conflicts necessitate a different starting time. (6/17)
- D. Game Day Schedule.** The following schedule is to be used for all Liberty League men's and women's soccer games:
- Game Clock**
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|-------|--|
| 60:00 | One hour prior to kickoff, teams may begin warmup. |
| 15:00 | Game rosters submitted and exchanged. |
| 10:00 | Captains and officials meet. Teams clear field. Introduction of officials and players. National Anthem. |
| 0:00 | Game begins. |
- E. Officials.** The three-official (diagonal) system shall be used in all league games. The host institution shall have officials assigned through the designated Liberty League assigner. (5/15)
- F. Video Exchange.** Video exchange shall adhere to the following guidelines:
1. Video exchange shall be conducted through an online video exchange system designated by the league (Hudl in 2025).
 2. Each team must upload all of its non-league games and home league games to the designated exchange system. (5/25)

3. A team shall not be permitted to download any games until all completed games have been uploaded.
4. The home team in league play shall be responsible for uploading the game and sharing the video upload with all other league teams.
5. Each home game must be uploaded no later than 24 hours after kickoff. Each away non-league game must be uploaded no later than 24 hours following the team’s return to campus.
6. League tournament games must be uploaded by the home team following each game.

II. League Tournament.

- A. Format.** A 6-team championship will be conducted under a Tuesday-Friday-Sunday format with the championship game scheduled on the last available Sunday prior to NCAA championship selections. The tournament champion will receive the automatic qualifier to the NCAA championship.
- B. Selection & Seeding.** Teams will be selected and seeded based on league results.
- C. Tiebreaker Seeding.** Ties will be broken using the established Liberty League tiebreaker procedure. (see Section I. B., Tiebreaking Procedures on page 15)
- D. Tournament Schedule.**

| Tuesday | Pairings | Time |
|----------------|-----------------------|-------------|
| First Round | #6 at #3 | See below |
| First Round | #5 at #4 | See below |
| Friday | | |
| Semifinal | #6/#3 winner at #2 | See below |
| Semifinal | #5/#4 winner at #1 | See below |
| Note: | See section F. | |
| Sunday | | |
| Championship | At higher-seeded team | 1:30 p.m. |

E. Game Times.

1. **First Round & Semifinals – Single Game:** First-round and semifinal games held on fields without artificial lighting shall start at 2:30 p.m. (if Daylight Saving Time remains in effect on the game date), or at 1:30 p.m. (if Standard Time is in effect). Games held on fields with artificial lighting shall start at 4 p.m., or at a time that is mutually agreed upon between the competing institutions.
2. **First Round & Semifinals – Doubleheader / Multiple Fields:** If one institution is scheduled to host both men’s and women’s first-round or

semifinal games and has two game fields available, then the institution shall host both games with game times determined as above depending on field lighting. Should the host institution have a single lighted game field available (in addition to an un-lighted field) it may choose to play both games on the lighted field, as specified below.

3. **First Round & Semifinals – Doubleheader / Lighted Field:** If one institution is scheduled to host both men’s and women’s first-round or semifinal games and has a single lighted game field available, then the institution shall host both games, at 2:30 and 5 p.m., or at later times (with the second game scheduled at least two and one-half hours after the first) if mutually agreed upon among all involved institutions. The game involving the visiting team with the shortest distance traveled shall be played first, unless all involved institutions mutually agree otherwise. A minimum 30-minute warm-up shall be guaranteed between games.
4. **First Round & Semifinals – Doubleheader / Unlighted Field:** If one institution is scheduled to host both men’s and women’s first-round games and has a single unlighted field available, then the institution shall host both games, at noon and 2:30 p.m. (if Daylight Saving Time is in effect) or 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. (if Standard Time is in effect). The game involving the visiting team with the shortest distance traveled shall be played first, unless all involved institutions mutually agree otherwise. A minimum 30-minute warm-up shall be guaranteed between games.
6. **Championship – Doubleheader:** If one institution is scheduled to host both the men’s and women’s championship games, then the institution shall host both games, 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. The game involving the visiting team with the shortest distance traveled shall be played first, unless all involved institutions mutually agree otherwise. A minimum 30-minute warm-up shall be guaranteed between games.

G. Weather.

1. **First-Round Postponements:** First-round games that cannot be played as scheduled on Tuesday due to weather or other conditions shall be rescheduled for Wednesday. If field conditions prohibit a game from being played on the campus of the higher seed it is the responsibility of the host to find an alternate game site, otherwise the game will be played on the campus of the lower seed.
2. **Tournament Cancellation – Entire Tournament:** If the entire tournament is cancelled due to inclement weather, the champion will be determined by regular season league results. All ties will be broken by using the established Liberty League tiebreaker procedure. (see Section I. B., Tiebreaking Procedures on page 15)

3. **Tournament Cancellation – Tournament in Progress:** If the tournament is cancelled after it has begun, the highest remaining seed will receive the automatic qualifier to the NCAA championship.

H. Uniforms. The higher seeds will be the home teams and will wear white.

I. Officials. The three-official (diagonal) system shall be used in all tournament games. The host institution shall have officials assigned through the designated Liberty League assigner. A table/alternate official, scheduled through the league assigner, shall also be used for the championship game.

III. Awards.

A. All-League Team. At the conclusion of the regular-season, the league coaches will select an All-Liberty League team. The soccer teams will generally be comprised of (2) forwards, (2) midfielders, (2) defenders, (4) at-large selections and (1) goalie on a 1st, 2nd and 3rd team. The coaches will also select a Player of the Year, Defensive Player of the Year, Rookie of the Year and Coaching Staff of the Year.

1. **Nominations.** Coaches shall nominate players from their teams for All-League no later than the Monday prior to the league tournament. Nominations shall be submitted electronically to the League Office in coordination with the athletic communications staff at each institution. There is no limit on the number of players that can be nominated for All-League consideration, although nominees should be starters or key reserves. Only one player may be nominated for each of the Player, Defensive Player and Rookie of the Year awards.
2. **Voting Procedure.** The League Office will compile and disseminate a ballot on the Monday prior to the league tournament. Coaches should vote for 1st, 2nd and 3rd team selections, an Offensive Player of the Year, a Defensive Player of the Year, Rookie of the Year and a Coaching Staff of the Year. **Coaches may not vote for their own players.** The completed ballot shall be submitted electronically to the League Office no later than Wednesday prior to the league tournament semifinals.
3. **Determination of All-League Team.** Players with the most points shall be accorded 1st team All-League status. If a tie exists in the voting, multiple players shall be recognized on the respective All-League team.
4. **Determination of Players/Rookie/Coaching Staff of the Year.** For the Player, Defensive Player, Rookie and Coaching Staff of the Year honors, coaches shall vote for their top three choices with three points given for a 1st-place vote, two for a 2nd-place vote, and one for a 3rd-place vote. **Coaches may not vote for their own players or coaching staff.** Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named.

5. **Awards Announcement.** The All-Liberty League team and awards will be announced no earlier than Tuesday following the conclusion of the Liberty League championship.

- B. **Most Outstanding Performer.** At the conclusion of the championship, the athletic communications staff of the host institution in conjunction with league officials shall select a Most Outstanding Performer. The honoree shall be recognized at the conclusion of the championship and shall receive a plaque/trophy. (5/18)

- C. **Weekly Honors.** The League Office, in coordination with the athletic communications offices, will recognize Offensive and Defensive Performers of the Week and Rookie of the Week for individual performances throughout the season. Nominations shall be submitted electronically by each institution to the League Office no later than noon each Monday.

- D. **All-Academic Team.** To be selected for the All-Academic Team, a student-athlete must meet the following criteria:
 1. Must be a sophomore or higher in class standing. Transfers must have served a year in residence. Graduate transfers are immediately eligible.
 2. Must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.30 or higher (or its equivalent as determined by the institution) based on a 4.0 scale. The GPA must be at least 3.30, not 3.29 and rounded to the nearest tenth of a point.

SOFTBALL.

I. General Regulations.

- A. **Determination of Regular-Season Champion.** The regular season champion will be the team with the best winning percentage in league play. Head-to-head competition will determine the winner in a tie situation. If the two teams remain tied after head-to-head results are considered, the Liberty League tiebreaker system will be implemented.
- B. **Start Times.** Starting times for Liberty League games will be 3 p.m. for weekday games and 1 p.m. (or a time to be mutually agreed upon by the competing members) for weekend games.
- C. **Tiebreaker Rule.** If after the completion of nine innings of play, the score is tied, the following tiebreaker will be played to determine a winning team: Starting with the top of the 10th inning and each half-inning to follow, the offensive team shall begin its turn at bat with the player scheduled to bat ninth in that half-inning being placed on second base (e.g. if the No. 5 batter is the lead-off batter, the No. 4 batter in the batting order will be placed on second base). A substitute may be inserted for the runner. For scoring, see Rule 14-29. (6/06)
- D. **Halted-Game Rule (Regular Season).** During the regular season, if the first game of a Liberty League doubleheader is halted and cannot be continued, it will be resumed from the point of interruption at a mutually agreeable date. If the second game of a Liberty League doubleheader is both halted and regulation, regulation will take precedence assuming reasonable efforts made to complete the game have failed. Per NCAA Rule 6.19.1, if the home team scored more runs at the end of its fourth inning, or before the completion of its fifth inning, than the visiting team has scored in its five offensive half innings, the umpire shall award the win to the home team, and it shall count as a regulation game. (5/19)
- E. **Coaches Meeting.** An annual coaches meeting shall typically be held the Tuesday following NCAA regional competition or on another date mutually agreed upon by the coaches.
- F. **Officials.** Two umpires, assigned through the designated Liberty League assigner, shall be used in all league games. (1/18)

II. League Tournament.

- A. **Format.** A 5-team championship will be conducted on the last available weekend (Thursday-Saturday) prior to NCAA Championship selections.

- B. Pre-Tournament Meeting.** A pre-tournament meeting (conference call) shall be conducted with the host institution and competing teams on Tuesday to review the schedule and logistics for the tournament. (9/18)
- C. Selection & Seeding.** Teams will be selected and seeded based on league results.
- D. Tiebreaker Seeding.** Ties will be broken using the established Liberty League tiebreaker procedure (see Section I. B., Tiebreaking Procedures on page 15).
- E. Tournament Schedule. (5/10; 5/13; 1/23)**

| Thursday | Pairings | Time |
|-----------------|---------------------------------|-------------|
| Play-In Game | 4 v. 5 | 10 a.m. |
| Game 1 | 1 v. 4/5 winner | 12:30 p.m. |
| Game 2 | 2 v. 3 | 3 p.m. |
| Friday | | |
| Game 3 | Winner game 1 v. winner game 2 | 10 a.m. |
| Game 4 | Loser game 1 v. loser game 2 | 12:30 p.m. |
| Game 5 | Loser game 3 v. winner game 4 | 3 p.m. |
| Saturday | | |
| Game 6 | Winner game 3 v. winner game 5 | Noon |
| Game 7 | If needed, same teams as game 6 | |

- F. Weather.** If the entire tournament is rained out, the champion will be determined by regular-season league results. All ties will be broken by using the established Liberty League tiebreaker procedure. (1/14)
 1. If games Thursday, Friday *or* Saturday cannot be completed, the tournament will be extended to Sunday.
 2. If Thursday *and* Friday games cannot be played then four games shall be played on Saturday (including the play-in game) and four games on Sunday. Games 3 and 4 will be switched so the first elimination game will be played Saturday.
 3. If Thursday, Friday *and* Saturday games cannot be played then the tournament shall be a four-game single elimination tournament played on Sunday, beginning with the play-in game.
 4. If games 6 and 7 cannot be played by Sunday then the first team to a 2-0 record in the tournament (not including the play-in game) shall be the league champion and receive the automatic qualifier. If no team has reached a 2-0 record then the number-one seed shall receive the automatic qualifier.

5. If the play-in game and games 1 and 2 are completed either Thursday or Friday and games 3, 4 and 5 cannot be played by Saturday, the winners of game 1 and game 2 shall play a best of three series on Sunday to determine the league champion and automatic qualifier.
6. Prior to the tournament, if the weather forecast indicates that two of the four days may be unplayable, then the athletic directors of the competing teams may agree to adjust the championship schedule to a two-day format in which four games shall be played on the first day and three games on the second day. (9/18)

G. Home Team Determination. (6/16) For the first five games (1-5), the higher-seeded team will be the home team. For game six (6), the home team will be the team with the 2-0 record. If a seventh (7) game is needed, the visiting team from game six will be the home team in game seven. The home team will have choice of uniforms and will occupy the third-base dugout.

H. Tiebreaker Rule: The NCAA tiebreaker rule shall not be utilized in any Liberty League tournament games.

I. Halted-Game Rule (League Tournament). During the Liberty League tournament, the halted-game rule shall be utilized in all tournament games. All tournament games must be played to completion. Any portion of the halted game shall be completed prior to the start of the next scheduled game.

J. Officials. Three umpires for championship shall be assigned through the designated Liberty League assigner. The host institution is responsible for payment of the umpires. (5/15)

III. Awards.

A. All-League Team. At the conclusion of the regular-season, the league coaches will select an All-Liberty League team. The softball team will generally be comprised of (2) pitchers, (1) catcher, (4) infielders, (3) outfielders, (1) designated player, (1) utility and (1) at-large player on both a 1st and 2nd team. The coaches will also select a Player of the Year, Pitcher of the Year, Rookie of the Year and Coaching Staff of the Year.

1. **Nominations.** Coaches shall nominate players from their teams for All-League no later than the Monday prior to the league tournament. Nominations shall be submitted electronically to the League Office in coordination with the athletic communications staff at each institution. There is no limit on the number of players that can be nominated for All-League consideration, although nominees should be starters or key reserves. A player may only be nominated at one position. A pitcher must pitch 76 innings or 30 percent of the team's total innings pitched to be

- nominated at that position. A utility player can play no more than 60 percent of the games at any one position.
2. **Voting Procedure.** The League Office will compile and disseminate a ballot on the Monday prior to the league tournament. The ballot will include league-only stats and overall stats. Coaches should vote for 1st and 2nd team selections, a Player of the Year, a Pitcher of the Year, Rookie of the Year and a Coaching Staff of the Year. **Coaches may not vote for their own players.** The completed ballot shall be submitted electronically to the League Office no later than Wednesday prior to the league tournament.
 3. **Determination of All-League Team.** Players with the most points shall be accorded 1st team All-League status. If a tie exists in the voting, multiple players shall be recognized on the respective All-League team. Any athlete receiving votes from one-third of the coaches, but not on 1st or 2nd team, will be recognized as honorable mention.
 4. **Determination of Players/Rookie/Coaching Staff of the Year.** For the Player, Pitcher, Rookie and Coaching Staff of the Year honors, coaches shall vote for their top three choices with three points given for a 1st-place vote, two for a 2nd-place vote, and one for a 3rd-place vote. **Coaches may not vote for their own players or coaching staff.** Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named.
 5. **Awards Announcement.** The All-Liberty League team and awards will be announced no earlier than Tuesday following the conclusion of the Liberty League championship.
- B. Most Outstanding Performer.** At the conclusion of the championship, the athletic communications staff of the host institution in conjunction with league officials shall select a Most Outstanding Performer. The honoree shall be recognized at the conclusion of the championship and shall receive a plaque/trophy. (5/18)
- C. Weekly Honors.** The League Office, in coordination with the athletic communications offices, will recognize a Performer of the Week, Pitcher of the Week and Rookie of the Week for individual performances throughout the season. Nominations shall be submitted electronically by each institution to the League Office no later than noon each Monday.
- D. All-Academic Team.** To be selected for the All-Academic Team, a student-athlete must meet the following criteria:
1. Must be a sophomore or higher in class standing. Transfers must have served a year in residence. Graduate transfers are immediately eligible.
 2. Must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.30 or higher (or its equivalent as determined by the institution) based on a 4.0 scale. The GPA must be at least 3.30, not 3.29 and rounded to the nearest tenth of a point.

SQUASH (MEN'S & WOMEN'S).

I League Tournament.

- A. Championship Format.** A Liberty League championship tournament shall be conducted for all teams on the weekend determined by the College Squash Association (CSA) to be the weekend for conference championships.
- B. Host Responsibilities.** The following is a list of responsibilities for the host of the Liberty League squash championship.
1. Send match times and dates to all coaches
 2. Provide balls for matches
 3. Provide athletic training staff for all matches (water, ice, heat, etc.)
 4. Host school SID is responsible for sending all scores to the league office and competing institutions after matches.
 5. Host school SID is responsible for sending pictures of event to the league office and the winning team.
- C. Seeding and Lineup Submissions:** Championship seeding will be established the Friday prior to the championship based on CSA rankings. Any rankings released after the seeding has been completed will not change the seeding. Coaches shall submit team lineups the Monday prior to the championship. The order of the team's lineup shall not change throughout the championship.
- D. Officials.** The host institution shall secure officials (two recommended) to be utilized in all matches throughout the tournament. The host is responsible for all officiating fees, including match fees, travel and per diem. (6/23)

II. Awards.

- A. All-League Team.** At the conclusion of the season, the league coaches will select an All-Liberty League team. The squash teams will generally be comprised of (9) players on both a 1st and 2nd team. The coaches will also select a Player of the Year, Rookie of the Year and Coaching Staff of the Year.
1. **Nominations.** Coaches shall nominate players from their teams for All-League no later than the Monday following the conclusion of the College Squash Association Individual Championships (generally the first Monday in March). Nominations shall be submitted electronically to the League Office in coordination with the athletic communications staff at each institution. There is no limit on the number of players that can be nominated for All-League consideration. Only one player may be nominated for the Rookie of the Year award.
 2. **Voting Procedure.** The League Office will compile and disseminate a ballot no later than Monday following the conclusion of the season. Coaches should rank-order the top 18 players, placing the best player

first, the second-best player second, the third-best player third, etc. Coaches should also select a Rookie of the Year and a Coaching Staff of the Year. **Coaches may not vote for their own players.** The completed ballot shall be submitted electronically to the League Office no later than Wednesday following the conclusion of the season.

3. **Determination of All-League Team.** The top-ranked player on each ballot will be award 18 points, the second-ranked player 17 points, the third-ranked player 16 points, etc. The top 18 players accumulating the most points shall be accorded All-League status – the top nine on the first team, the next nine on the second team. Additional players may be added to the All-League team in the event of a tie for the final spot. Any athlete receiving votes from one-third of the coaches, but not on the All-League team, will be recognized as honorable mention.
4. **Determination of Player/Rookie/Coaching Staff of the Year.** The player accumulating the most points in the All-League voting shall be accorded Player of the Year status. For Rookie of the Year and Coaching Staff of the Year honors, coaches shall vote for their top three choices with three points given for a 1st-place vote, two for a 2nd-place vote, and one for a 3rd-place vote. **Coaches may not vote for their own players or coaching staff.** Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named.
5. **Awards Announcement.** The All-Liberty League team and awards will be announced following the conclusion of the season.

B. Most Outstanding Performer. At the conclusion of the championship, the athletic communications staff of the host institution in conjunction with league officials shall select a Most Outstanding Performer. The honoree shall be recognized at the conclusion of the championship and shall receive a plaque/trophy. (5/18)

C. Weekly Honors. The League Office, in coordination with the athletic communications offices, will recognize a Performer of the Week and Rookie of the Week for individual performances throughout the season. Nominations shall be submitted electronically by each institution to the League Office no later than noon each Monday.

D. All-Academic Team. To be selected for the All-Academic Team, a student-athlete must meet the following criteria:

1. Must be a sophomore or higher in class standing. Transfers must have served a year in residence. Graduate transfers are immediately eligible.
2. Must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.30 or higher (or its equivalent as determined by the institution) based on a 4.0 scale. The GPA must be at least 3.30, not 3.29 and rounded to the nearest tenth of a point.

SWIMMING & DIVING (MEN'S & WOMEN'S)

I. League Tournament.

A. Championship Format.

1. **Date:** The Liberty League Championship shall be conducted the Wednesday through Saturday, the week immediately preceding NCAA championship selections.
2. **Meet Program:** All member institutions are eligible to compete in the championship. The meet program shall follow the Standard Four-Day, Common-Site Established Program outlined in Appendix B, Article 5 of the NCAA Swimming & Diving Rules. Refer to the Order of Events for a full listing of events.
3. **Facility:** The swimming events shall be conducted in a facility that meets NCAA short-course requirements of 75 feet in length by at least 60 feet in width, providing for not less than nine, 7-foot lanes with additional width outside lanes one and nine. A minimum water depth of 7 feet is desirable for competition. Diving shall consist of two 1-meter and two 3-meter diving boards.
 - a) Any institution that can provide a facility meeting the specified requirements can serve as host.
4. **Admission:** Spectator admission prices shall be established by the host institution in consultation with the league. The host institution shall retain all revenues generated through the championship, including admission proceeds, heat sheets and programs.

B. Entry Process.

1. **Entry Fee:** An entry fee of \$125 per gender (\$250 per institution competing with both a men's and women's program) plus \$10 per student-athlete shall be paid to the designated host institution. Entry fees must be received by the meet host no later than 7 p.m. on Tuesday prior to the start of the meet.
2. **Entry Deadline:** All entries shall be submitted electronically via the Hy-Tek Meet Manager file to the meet director no later than noon on Monday, the week prior to championship. The meet director will compile and disseminate a "psych sheet" no later than Wednesday, the week prior to the championship. Diving lists shall be submitted to the meet director by noon on Wednesday, the week prior to the championship.
 - a) Unlimited entries are permitted; however, each team's roster must be no greater than 22 scoring athletes at the time of the

scratch deadline of 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday before the first day of the meet with a total roster size of no greater than 24, including exhibition athletes. The host institution is permitted additional exhibition entries beyond 24 to compete in the trials only.

- b) Non-scoring athletes must be declared at the time of the scratch deadline of 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday before the first day of the meet.
- c) Scoring rosters will follow guidelines as deemed per the NCAA and will be 18 athletes with divers counting 1/3 of a scoring athlete. Scoring rosters shall not exceed 22 individual athletes (16 swimmers and 6 divers, for example).
- d) Each swimmer may compete in 7 total events with no more than 3 of those being individual events.
- e) Entry times for athletes and relays are entered at current season-achieved times (not personal-best times).
- f) Entry times for the 1,650 are based on achieved 1,000 times for the current season.

- 3. **Scratches:** The initial scratch deadline is 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday before the first day of competition. Scratches shall be submitted to the meet director. Subsequent scratches are due at 5:30 p.m. prior to each day of competition and shall be submitted to the scratch box.

C. **Meet Information.**

- 1. **Meet Committee:** A meet committee shall be formed annually in the fall to address matters related to the championship. The meet committee shall consist of the meet director, host coach and three other coaches established via an annual rotation. For matters that arise during the championship, the head referee shall be consulted to provide rules interpretations as needed. If there is a conflict or dispute during the championship that involves the team of a coach serving on the meet committee, the meet director shall select another coach. Beginning with the 2025 championship, the meet committee will rotate annually among the head coaches as follows (assumes Ithaca is the host coach):
 - 2025:** Bard-RPI-St. Lawrence
 - 2026:** RIT-Hobart and William Smith-Vassar
 - 2027:** Clarkson-Skidmore-Union
- 2. **Coaches Meeting:** A coaches technical meeting shall be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, the day prior to the start of competition.
 - a) **Hospitality:** The host institution shall provide a hospitality room for coaches and officials throughout the meet. Heat sheets, forms, results and ballots shall be available in the hospitality room. Student-athletes are not permitted in the hospitality room.

3. **Team Seating:** Each team will select seating and deck space according to the previous year's finish. The host institution will select first. Selections will then alternate between women and men. Banners may be hung up accordingly with each team's seating assignment.
4. **Seeding:** Event seeding shall adhere to the following guidelines:
 - a) Prelims are seeded slowest to fastest. The fastest three heats are circle seeded.
 - b) The 1,650 will be conducted as timed finals. The fastest heat will swim at night during event finals. The remaining heats will be at the conclusion of the preliminary session and shall be seeded slowest to fastest.
 - (1) Teams are responsible for providing backup timers and lap counters for the 1,650 event.
5. **Scoring:** 24 places shall be scored:
 - a) Individual events: 32-28-27-26-25-24-23-22-19-17-16-15-14-13-12-11-9-7-6-5-4-3-2-1.
 - b) Relay events: 64-56-54-52-50-48-46-44-38-34-32-30-28-26-24-22-18-14-12-10-8-6-4-2.
 - c) Relays will be contested as timed finals events during the evening session. All A relays will be Finalists placing between 1st and 16th place, B Relays are eligible to place between 17th and 24th place. If there are 10 relays entered, there will be two heats seeded by time with three relays in the first heat and seven relays in the second heat. (5/25)
 - d) **800 Freestyle Relay.** The 800 Free relay is also conducted as timed finals. The A relays will be held in the evening session in the same format as the other relays, seeded slowest to fastest. The B relays will be held in the morning session seeded slowest to fastest. (5/25)
6. **Results:** Results will be posted on the website of the host institution and Liberty League and Meet Mobile.
7. **Disqualification:** Disqualification procedures shall be followed as outlined in the NCAA Swimming & Diving Rules.
 - a) **Electronic Takeoff Equipment:** When electronic relay judging equipment (relay judging platforms) is utilized at the championship, Rule 4, Article 6 of the NCAA Swimming & Diving Rules will be utilized to disqualify relay teams.
8. **Suits:** All suits must be FINA approved only.
9. **Heat Sheets:** Heat sheets will be made available for each session and each team will receive three (3) copies.

10. Ice and Water: The athletic training staff of the host institution shall provide ice and water.

11. Time Trials: By contacting the meet referee ahead of time, time trials may occur 15 minutes prior to the start of any session, and are requested to be submitted two (2) hours prior to the start of the session.
 a) Time trials requested on Saturday’s session should be for NCAA Cut Times only.

12. Warm-Ups and Competition Start Times.

| Day(s) and Sessions | Warm-up Start Time | Competition Start Time |
|---|---|--|
| Warm ups: Tuesday only Swimming & Diving Warm-ups | 2:00 – 8:00 p.m. | None |
| Preliminaries: Wednesday-Saturday | Swimming Warm-up 8 – 9:45 a.m. Diving Warm-ups 9:45 – 12:45 p.m. | Swimming Start Time: 10:00 a.m. Diving Start Time: 1:00 p.m. |
| Finals: Wednesday-Friday | Swimming & Diving Warm-ups 4:00 – 5:45 p.m. | Competition Start Time: 6:00 p.m. |
| Finals: Saturday | Swimming & Diving Warm ups 4:00 – 5:30 p.m. | Saturday presentations for Academic honors & Seniors begin at 5:30 p.m. Competition Start Time: 6:00 p.m. |

D. Order of Events: The time schedule and order of events shall be as follows:

DAY 1 – Wednesday

Session 1 Trials – 10 a.m.

1. 500-yard freestyle M
2. 500-yard freestyle W
3. 200-yard individual medley M
4. 200-yard individual medley W
5. 50-yard freestyle M
6. 50-yard freestyle W
- 20-minute intermission: Starts at the conclusion of each respective gender’s event
- Time Trials

Diving Trials – 1 p.m.

7. Three-meter diving M — Trials

Session 2 Finals – 6 p.m.

1. 500-yard freestyle M
2. 500-yard freestyle W
3. 200-yard individual medley M
4. 200-yard individual medley W
5. 50-yard freestyle M
6. 50-yard freestyle W
7. Three-meter diving M — Finals
8. 200-yard medley relay M
9. 200-yard medley relay W

DAY 2 – Thursday

Session 3 Trials – 10 a.m.

12. 200-yard freestyle M
13. 200-yard freestyle W
14. 100-yard butterfly M

DAY 3 – Friday

Session 5 Trials – 10 a.m.

21. 200-yard butterfly M
22. 200-yard butterfly W
23. 100-yard backstroke M
24. 100-yard backstroke W
25. 100-yard breaststroke M
26. 100-yard breaststroke W
- 20-minute intermission: Starts at the conclusion of each respective gender’s event
28. 800-yard freestyle relay (W) — B Relays
timed finals (slowest to fastest)
29. 800-yard freestyle relay (M) — B Relays

Diving Trials – 1 p.m.

27. One-meter diving M — Trials

Session 6 Finals – 6 p.m.

21. 200-yard butterfly M
22. 200-yard butterfly W
23. 100-yard backstroke M
24. 100-yard backstroke W
25. 100-yard breaststroke M
26. 100-yard breaststroke W
27. One-meter diving M — Finals
28. 800-yard freestyle relay M — A Relays
29. 800-yard freestyle relay W — A Relays

DAY 4 – Saturday

Session 7 Trials – 10 a.m.

32. 100-yard freestyle M

- 15. 100-yard butterfly W
 - 16. 400-yard individual medley M
 - 17. 400-yard individual medley W
20-minute intermission: Starts at the conclusion of each respective gender's event
- Time Trials

Diving Trials - 1 p.m.

- 18. One-meter diving W — Trials

Session 4 Finals - 6 p.m.

- 10. 200-yard freestyle relay M
- 11. 200-yard freestyle relay W
10-minute intermission: Starts at the conclusion of each respective gender's event
- 12. 200-yard freestyle M
- 13. 200-yard freestyle W
- 14. 100-yard butterfly M
- 15. 100-yard butterfly W
- 16. 400-yard individual medley M
- 17. 400-yard individual medley W
- 18. One-meter diving W — Finals
- 19. 400-yard medley relay M
- 20. 400-yard medley relay W

- 33. 100-yard freestyle W
- 34. 200-yard backstroke M
- 35. 200-yard backstroke W
- 36. 200-yard breaststroke M
- 37. 200-yard breaststroke W
20-minute intermission: Starts at the conclusion of each respective gender's event
- 30./31. 1,650-yard freestyle (M/W) —
Fastest to slowest alternating genders

Diving Trials - 1 p.m.

- 38. Three-meter diving W — Trials

Session 8 Finals - 6 p.m.

- 30. 1,650-yard freestyle M — Last heat of timed finals
- 31. 1,650-yard freestyle W — Last heat of timed finals
- 32. 100-yard freestyle M
- 33. 100-yard freestyle W
- 34. 200-yard backstroke M
- 35. 200-yard backstroke W
- 36. 200-yard breaststroke M
- 37. 200-yard breaststroke W
- 38. Three-meter diving W — Finals
- 39. 400-yard freestyle relay M
- 40. 400-yard freestyle relay W

1. Warm-Up Lanes: Warm-up shall be conducted according to the following schedule:

| Lane | Prelims 8:15-9:15 a.m. | Prelims 9:15-9:45 a.m. | Finals 4:15 -5:15 p.m. | Finals 5:15-5:45 p.m. |
|------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 | General Warm up | Pace | General Warm up | Pace |
| 2 | General Warm up | Sprint | General Warm up | Sprint |
| 3 | General Warm up | Sprint | General Warm up | Sprint |
| 4 | General Warm up | General Warm up | General Warm up | General Warm up |
| 5 | General Warm up | General Warm up | General Warm up | General Warm up |
| 6 | General Warm up | General Warm up | General Warm up | General Warm up |
| 7 | General Warm up | General Warm up | General Warm up | General Warm up |
| 8 | General Warm up | Sprint | General Warm up | Sprint |
| 9 | General Warm up | Pace | General Warm up | Pace |

a) Saturday Night Warm-Up: all times will move up 30 minutes to accommodate a Senior Parade.

- (1) Senior Parade: 5:30-5:45 p.m. (athletes will be called at 5:15/5:20 to line up)
- (2) Time trials: 5:45-6:00 p.m. Finals Start Time: 6 p.m.

2. Breaks: Each intermission starts at the conclusion of each respective gender's event.

E. Diving.

1. Diving Lists: Diving lists shall be submitted to the meet director by noon on Wednesday, the week prior to the championship.

2. **Warm-Up Times:** Diving shall be conducted according to the following schedule:
 - a) Tuesday: 2 p.m. – 8 p.m.
 - b) Wednesday-Saturday: 10 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.

2. **Competition:** Diving competition will begin at 1 p.m. each day. The men's 3M event will begin during the 1,650. The order of events shall be as follows:
 - a) Wednesday: Women's 3-meter
 - b) Thursday: Men's 1-meter
 - c) Friday: Women's 1-meter
 - d) Saturday: Men's 3-meter

II. Awards.

- A. **Championship Awards.** Championship awards will be decided by a vote of the League coaches on Saturday. Coaches will vote on swimmers nominated. The meet director or League representative will tabulate the votes and announce the recipients. The following awards shall be selected with the League office providing plaques/trophies for the major award winners:
 1. **Most Outstanding Men's and Women's Swimmer.**
 2. **Most Outstanding Men's and Women's Diver.**
 - a.) **Diver of the Meet Tiebreaker:** Point totals from both the 1- and 3-meter boards shall be combined to determine the winner.

- B. **All-Liberty League Team:** The winner of each event shall be designated All-Liberty League first team; the second-place finisher shall be designated All-Liberty League second team; the third-place finisher shall be designated All-Liberty League third team. Medals shall be presented to the top eight finishers in each event.

- D. **Awards Ceremony Sequence:**
 1. Athletes should report to the staging area when called.
 2. Athletes must wear their official team warm-ups on the awards podium.
 3. Top 8 finalists will parade out behind blocks across bulkhead.
 4. Top 8 finishers will be put in order 8-6-4-2-1-3-5-7 by lane 1 and paraded across bulkhead by the award stand.

- E. **Team Championship Trophies/Plaques:** Shall be awarded at the conclusion of the meet.

- F. **End-of-Season Awards.** The following awards will be selected and announced following the conclusion of the NCAA Championships (voting will be facilitated by the League office):
 1. Men's and Women's Swimmer of the Year
 2. Men's and Women's Diver of the Year

3. Men's and Women's Rookie of the Year
4. Men's and Women's Coaching Staff of the Year

For the Swimmer, Diver, Rookie and Coaching Staff of the Year honors, coaches shall vote for their top three choices with three points given for a 1st-place vote, two for a 2nd-place vote, and one for a 3rd-place vote. **Coaches may not vote for their own nominees or coaching staff.** Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named.

- G. Weekly Honors.** The League Office, in coordination with the athletic communications offices, will recognize a Swimmer of the Week, Diver of the Week and Rookie of the Week for individual performances throughout the season. Nominations shall be submitted electronically by each institution to the League Office no later than noon each Monday.
- H. All-Academic Team.** To be selected for the All-Academic Team, a student-athlete must meet the following criteria:
1. Must be a sophomore or higher in class standing. Transfers must have served a year in residence. Graduate transfers are immediately eligible.
 2. Must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.30 or higher (or its equivalent as determined by the institution) based on a 4.0 scale. The GPA must be at least 3.30, not 3.29 and rounded to the nearest tenth of a point.
 3. The complete list of All-Academic Team members shall be announced prior to the start of Friday's finals session.

TENNIS (MEN'S & WOMEN'S).

I. General Regulations.

- A. Determination of Regular-Season Champion.** The regular-season champion will be the team with the best winning percentage in league play. Head-to-head competition will determine the winner in a tie situation. If three or more teams remain tied after head-to-head results are considered, the Liberty League tennis tiebreaker system will be implemented.
- B. Scheduling.** Each league team shall play one match against all other league teams (single round-robin). A schedule will be established by the league. Institutions without campus facilities shall secure an indoor backup site for league dates. (9/10; 1/11; 5/11; 5/13; 1/14)
1. If mutually agreed upon by both coaches, a regular-season Liberty League match may be rescheduled due to inclement weather. The match must be rescheduled prior to the departure of the traveling team. The match must be completed by Sunday prior to the championship. A match can only be rescheduled one time. Both head coaches must communicate rescheduled date and time with the Commissioner. If the coaches cannot agree on a rescheduled date/time, then the match must be played on the originally scheduled date. Note: If a match begins and inclement weather occurs, the match cannot be rescheduled and must be moved indoors.
 - a. A minimum of three courts must be available to start a match indoors during a regular-season Liberty League match.
- C. Official.** An ITA official, assigned through each institution's local assigner, shall be required in all Liberty League regular-season matches. (9/19)
- D. ITA Rules Protests.** Per Intercollegiate Tennis Association (ITA) rules, if a match is between two schools from the same conference, the protest must be handled by the conference. The following procedure shall be followed for protests of ITA rules in matches between Liberty League teams:
1. Any coach who wishes to submit a match protest after the completion of the match must first submit the protest with the institution's Director of Athletics using the ITA protest form. The Director of Athletics will then file the protest with the Liberty League office within 24 hours of the completion of the match.
 2. Once the protest has been filed with the League Office, the Commissioner will contact the Director of Athletics from the opposing team and request a written report with any information relating to the protest within 24 hours or the next business day.

3. A committee consisting of the Commissioner, the Executive Committee, the sport liaison, and an ITA official will review the protest per ITA guidelines.
4. The committee will review the reports and make ruling on the protest by a majority vote. If appropriate, the committee will issue possible sanctions including, but not limited to: letter of reprimand, reversing or overturning results of individual singles/doubles matches or forfeiture of the team match.
5. The Commissioner will issue letters on behalf of the committee to the Athletic Directors of both institutions informing them of the committee's decision. The decision of the committee is final.
6. Liberty League Tournament lineup protests must be made in accordance with the league policy for tournament lineups.

E. Coaches Meeting. An annual coaches meeting shall typically be held on the Tuesday following NCAA regional competition or on another date mutually agreed upon by the coaches.

II. League Tournament.

A. Date. The Liberty League Men's and Women's Tennis Championship tournament will be conducted on the last available weekend (Friday-Sunday) prior to NCAA championship selections.

B. Site.

1. The Liberty League Men's and Women's Tennis Championship will be held at a site that meets the following criteria:
 - a) Is a tennis-specific facility (i.e., not a multi-purpose facility)
 - b) Has a minimum of six indoor tennis courts
 - d) Optional criteria:
 - (1) Has spectator seating
 - (2) Has a minimum of six, lighted outdoor tennis courts
 - (3) Multiple-year bid
2. By April 1 of the year prior to the Championship, the Liberty League Commissioner will secure bids from tennis venue managers.
3. By May 1 of the year prior to the Championship, the Liberty League Commissioner will present the venue options to the tennis coaches and secure a majority vote.

4. The venue voted on by the majority of tennis coaches will be presented to the Athletic Directors in their spring meeting. Due to the combined men's and women's championship, the vote will be one per institution.

C. Format.

1. The Liberty League Men's and Women's Tennis Championship will be a 6-team single-elimination tournament with no back draw.
2. The Liberty League Champion will be the winner of the tournament. The winner of the tournament receives the league's automatic bid to the NCAA championship.
3. The ITA seven-point dual match format shall be utilized in all tournament matches. Only the winning teams will advance.
 - a) **Dual Match Team Score:** Seven team points. The team that wins two of the three doubles matches receives one point. Each singles match is worth one point. Four points are required to win the dual match.
 - b) **Order of Play:** Three doubles followed by six singles. The format is three six-game set doubles matches with a seven-point tiebreak at six-all. Doubles will be followed by six best-of-three set singles matches.
 - c) **Clinch-Clinch Format:**
 - (1) *Doubles* - Once one team wins two of the three doubles matches, doubles play ends.
 - (2) *Singles* - Once one team has four team points, the match ends.
4. If the venue meets the criteria for outdoor courts, then competition will be held outside as long as the weather meets ITA guidelines; otherwise, all matches will be held inside.
 - a) If a match starts outside then is moved indoors due to inclement weather, the remaining matches for that day, may be played outside if weather conditions permit.
 - (i) If the match is moved indoors, players will be provided with a 5-minute warm-up with the opponent.
 - (ii) New tennis balls shall be issued when play resumes indoors.
 - b) If a match starts inside, it will finish inside.

D. Entry Fees.

1. If the League is unable to fund the cost of court time, each competing institution will split the total cost of court time. Payment will be communicated by the Liberty League Commissioner.
2. The League will provide six dozen (72) cans of Wilson U.S. Open Extra Duty tennis balls for the tournament.

E. Selection and Seeding of Teams.

1. Schools must play all League opponents, as per the approved League schedule.
2. Teams will be selected and seeded based on league regular-season results (winning percentage). Seeding will be determined by the Commissioner and communicated to all League schools on the Monday prior to tournament.
3. The following tiebreaking criteria will be utilized to seed teams in the Championship. (6/16)
 - a. Head-to-head results;
 - b. Results vs. conference opponents in descending order;
 - c. Total number of individual singles and doubles matches won among teams involved in the tie;
 - d. Winning percentage vs. common opponents in non-conference play;
 - e. The most recent NCAA Regional Ranking published prior to the league tournament;
 - f. Winning percentage vs. all in-region opponents with an end-of-season record of .500 or above.
 - g. Winning percentage vs. all opponents with an end-of-season record of .500 or above;
 - h. Winning percentage vs. all opponents with an end-of-season record of below .500, and
 - i. Coin flip.
4. The League Office will post all match scores on the Liberty League website and coordinate reporting of results with the competing institutions' athletic communications offices.

F. Lineups & Protests- Prior to Start of Championship

1. A Games Committee shall be formed consisting of the Commissioner and the head coach of each of the participating teams.
2. All teams participating in the championship shall submit lineups to the League Office by Monday at 4 p.m. the week of the championship. The league office will circulate all lineups to the participating teams Monday evening.
3. Any coach who wishes to submit a lineup protest must inform the Games Committee in writing (by email) and file a copy with the League Office. Lineup protests must be sent with rationale no later than Wednesday at 10 a.m.
4. If a lineup is being protested, the Commissioner shall inform the Head Coach whose lineup is being protested by noon on Wednesday.

5. Rebuttals to lineup protests shall be submitted in writing (by email) to the Games Committee, with a copy to the League Office, no later than 5 p.m. Wednesday.
6. The Games Committee will review protest information per ITA guidelines and respond by noon Thursday. If necessary, the Games Committee will convene via conference call Thursday morning to review/discuss the protest.
7. The Commissioner shall notify the following individuals of the Committee's decision: Head Coach of the team whose lineup was protested, Head Coach who submitted the protest and all Committee members.
8. If changes to any lineup are adopted by the Games Committee, then the Commissioner shall resend the lineups to all coaches.
9. A coach serving on the Games Committee who is involved in a protest (either lodging a protest or having his/her lineup protested) must remove himself/herself from committee deliberations.
10. The decision of the Games Committee is final.

G. Lineup Protests – Following the Start of Championship

Lineups must remain in order of strength throughout the championship. If a lineup change is made following the start of the championship, the following protest procedure shall be used:

1. Any coach who wishes to submit a lineup protest must inform the Games Committee of such protest prior to the start of their match.
2. If a lineup is being protested, the Commissioner shall inform the Head Coach whose lineup is being protested and provide an opportunity for rebuttal.
3. A coach serving on the Games Committee who is involved in a protest (either lodging a protest or having his/her lineup protested) must remove himself/herself from committee deliberations.
4. The Games Committee shall make a decision on the protest prior to the start of the match.
5. If the full Games Committee cannot be convened, then a decision shall be made by the Head Coaches of teams still participating in the tournament at the time of the protest. Coaches involved in a protest (either lodging a protest or having his/her lineup protested) must remove themselves from deliberations.
6. If not enough Head Coaches remain, or are available at the time of the protest, to make a decision, then the protest will be decided by the USTA officials assigned for the match.
7. All decisions are final.

H. Schedule.

1. In even-numbered years, the men will play the 8:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. first round/semifinal matches and the 9 a.m. championship match. In

odd-numbered years, the women will play the 8:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. first round/semifinal matches and the 9 a.m. championship match.

2. Friday (First Round):
8:30 a.m. - #4 seed vs. #5 seed
11:30 a.m. - #3 seed vs. #6 seed

2:15 p.m. - #4 seed vs. #5 seed
5:00 p.m. - #3 seed vs. #6 seed
 3. Saturday (Semifinals):
8:30 a.m. - #1 seed vs. #4/#5 seed
11:30 a.m. - #2 seed vs. #3/#6 seed

2:15 p.m. - #1 seed vs. #4/#5 seed
5:00 p.m. - #2 seed vs. #3/#6 seed
 4. Sunday (Championships):
9:00 a.m. - winners of the 8:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. matches
1:00 p.m. - winners of the 2:15 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. matches
 5. If the hosting facility has 6 lighted outdoor courts, the above schedule will remain in effect.
 6. All matches will be played to decision.
- J. Team Practices.** There shall be no on-site practices prior to the start of the championship. (9/17)
- K. Pre-Tournament Meeting.** A pre-tournament meeting (conference call) shall be conducted with the coaches of the competing teams on Monday to review the schedule and logistics for the tournament. (9/18)
- L. Championship Conduct and Information.**
1. Tournament play will be conducted in accordance with ITA rules and regulations including the match format: three doubles followed by six singles.
 2. No team introductions will take place prior to the designated dual match time.
 3. Coaches must confirm the team line-up with the tournament desk and opposing coach thirty minutes prior to the start of the match.
 4. Upon completion of each match, both players must report scores and return tennis balls to the tournament desk. Coaches must confirm scores

with the tournament desk after the completion of their team's respective match.

5. Team Warm-ups:
 - a) Each team/player is allowed a 30 minute warm-up prior to each match.
 - (1) After the first match of the day, the 30-minute warm-up begins 35 minutes prior to the scheduled match time or 30 minutes from the time the previous match finishes, whichever is later (e.g. matches will not start early but may start late).
 - (2) Teams may begin to warm-up on any open court. One court per team on the next available court, split between teams.
 - (3) Doubles players should warm-up first. Singles-only players can warm-up during the doubles matches.
 - b) If transitioning from outside to inside due to inclement weather and the match has not been completed, players will be provided a 5-minute warm-up with the opponent.

L. Responsibilities of the Liberty League office.

1. Secure two certified USTA Officials.
2. Secure an on-site administrator from a League institution.
3. Secure a certified athletic trainer for the entirety of the championship and ensure that the certified athletic trainer will be available one and a half hours prior to the start of the first match each day.
4. Provide Championship t-shirts as per Liberty League policies.
5. Present the Liberty League plaque/trophy to the winning team.

III. Awards

A. All-League Team. At the conclusion of the regular-season, the league coaches will select an All-Liberty League team. The tennis teams will generally be comprised of (6) singles players and (3) doubles teams on both a 1st and 2nd team. The coaches will also select a Player of the Year, Rookie of the Year and Coaching Staff of the Year.

1. **Nominations.** Coaches shall nominate players and doubles teams from their teams for All-League no later than the Monday prior to the league tournament. Nominations shall be submitted electronically to the League Office in coordination with the athletic communications staff at each institution. There is no limit on the number of players that can be

nominated for All-League consideration, although nominees should be starters or key reserves. Only one player may be nominated for the Rookie of the Year award.

2. **Voting Procedure.** The League Office will compile and disseminate a ballot on the Monday prior to the league tournament. Coaches should rank-order the top 12 singles players and top six doubles teams, placing the best player/team first, the second-best player/team second, the third-best player/team third, etc. Coaches should also select a Rookie of the Year and a Coaching Staff of the Year. **Coaches may not vote for their own players.** The completed ballot shall be submitted electronically to the League Office no later than Wednesday prior to the league tournament.
 3. **Determination of All-League Team.** The top-ranked singles player on each ballot will be awarded 12 points, the second-ranked player 11 points, the third-ranked player 10 points, etc. In doubles, the top-ranked doubles team on each ballot will be awarded 6 points, the second-ranked team 5 points and the third-ranked team 4 points, etc. The top 12 singles players and top six doubles teams accumulating the most points shall be accorded All-League status. Additional players may be added to the All-League team in the event of a tie for the final spot. Any singles player or doubles team receiving votes from one-third of the coaches, but not on 1st or 2nd team, will be recognized as honorable mention.
 4. **Determination of Player/Rookie/Coaching Staff of the Year.** For the Player, Rookie and Coaching Staff of the Year honors, coaches shall vote for their top three choices with three points given for a 1st-place vote, two for a 2nd-place vote, and one for a 3rd-place vote. **Coaches may not vote for their own players or coaching staff.** Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named.
 5. **Awards Announcement.** The All-Liberty League team and awards will be announced no earlier than Tuesday following the conclusion of the Liberty League championship.
- B. Most Outstanding Performer.** At the conclusion of the championship, the league representative in conjunction with the coach of the championship team shall select a Most Outstanding Performer. The honoree shall be recognized at the conclusion of the championship and shall receive a plaque/trophy. (5/18)
- C. Weekly Honors.** The League Office, in coordination with the athletic communications offices, will recognize a Singles Performer of the Week, Doubles Team of the Week and Rookie of the Week for individual performances throughout the season. Nominations shall be submitted electronically by each institution to the League Office no later than noon each Monday.
- D. All-Academic Team.** To be selected for the All-Academic Team, a student-athlete must meet the following criteria:

1. Must be a sophomore or higher in class standing. Transfers must have served a year in residence. Graduate transfers are immediately eligible.
2. Must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.30 or higher (or its equivalent as determined by the institution) based on a 4.0 scale. The GPA must be at least 3.30, not 3.29 and rounded to the nearest tenth of a point.

TRACK & FIELD (MEN & WOMEN).

I. Indoor Track & Field Pre-Championship Guidelines.

- A. Format.** The Liberty League Indoor Track & Field Championships will be contested over two days, beginning on a Friday and concluding on Saturday, with the women's and men's events alternating throughout the schedule. The official NCAA Cross Country/Track & Field rule book will govern the competition.
- B. Host Facility Requirements.** The following are facility requirements in order to host the Liberty League Indoor Track & Field Championships:
- 200-meter, 6-lane oval
 - 8-lane straightaway
 - 1 Horizontal jumping pit
 - 1 High jump apron + NCAA-approved landing pad system
 - 1 Pole Vault runway + NCAA-approved landing pad system
 - At least 1 Throws circle that can safely accommodate weight throw and shot put
 - A curb along all curves, if track is surveyed based on the existence of a curb, or cones must be placed along the inside white line at appropriate intervals if track was surveyed for no curb (per NCAA Cross Country/Track & Field Rules Book)
 - Locker/Restroom facilities
- C. Site Rotation.** Beginning with the 2019-20 indoor track and field season, the championship host shall rotate annually among the following institutions: RIT, St. Lawrence, Ithaca.
- D. Championship Dates.** The men's and women's indoor track and field championships shall be held annually on the Friday-Saturday which falls two (2) weekends prior to the NCAA Indoor Championships.
- E. Information Packet.** At least one month prior to the championship, the host institution will be required to send out an initial information packet for the championship which will include: schedule of events, hotel/restaurant info, roster forms, championship information, awards information, scoring information and final entry instructions.
- F. Timing & Scoring.** Timing and scoring services for the championship will be arranged by the League office. The host institution is responsible for all costs associated with these services.
- G. Performance List.** The official Liberty League performance list is published via the NCAA-approved results reporting database (currently TFRRS), following the protocol established by the NCAA. Qualifying performances may only be

recorded in sanctioned meets, in accordance with the current edition of the NCAA Cross Country/Track & Field Rules Book. Conversions for different-length events (e.g. using a performance in the 55m as a qualifier for the 60m) or facility differences (banked, oversize, or undersize) or altitude are calculated via the NCAA standardized conversion factors to a flat, 200-meter track.

- H. Qualifying Process.** Each institution shall be allocated a minimum of two participants per event at the championship. In order for an institution to qualify more than two participants per event, all individuals must meet the established Liberty League qualifying standards. Those individuals will be entered if declared.
- 1. Wild cards.** Each institution shall be allowed one wild card entry into the meet per gender, which will allow for the entry of a student-athlete that has not yet achieved the threshold for qualifying.
 - 2. Combined Event Qualification.** Combined event qualification will be limited to the top 12 declared from a list that includes the compiled points acquired throughout the season (points can only be acquired during the respective season – indoor points cannot be used for outdoor qualification). There is no minimum point standard, but competitors must have competed in at least 50 percent of the events in order to qualify for their respective combined events. ***Note:** the two-participant-per-school allocation does not apply to the combined events. Also, a separate list will be published by the League office each week with updated point totals.*
- I. Entry Submission.** A final declaration/entry of competitors must be submitted via DirectAthletics by Tuesday at NOON for each championship. Late entries will not be accepted. The meet timer will produce and disseminate an entry/performance list by 5 p.m. Tuesday.
- J. Heat/Flight Sheets & Scratches.** Heat sheets will be posted by the timing company by 12 p.m. on the Thursday prior to the championships. Any initial scratches should be submitted to the timing company by 9 a.m. Thursday morning. Scratches for Day 2 of the competition should be submitted by 9 p.m. Friday evening.
- K. Meet Management.** A Meet Management group shall be convened to address and take action on issues that arise prior to or during the championship that are not explicitly covered in the sport guidelines. Meet Management shall consist of a Liberty League representative, the host championship manager and three coaches that shall rotate alphabetically by institution/team gender. If a coach in the Meet Management group is from an institution involved in the issue, then that coach shall be replaced by the next coach of the same team gender in the alphabetical listing.

Indoor Track & Field

2023: RIT (M), Bard (W), St. Lawrence (M)

2024: Ithaca (W), Union (M), RPI (W)

2025: Vassar (M), Rochester (W), Bard (M)

2026: RIT (W), Ithaca (M), St. Lawrence (W)

2027: RPI (M), Union (W), Rochester (M)

2028: Vassar (W), RIT (M), Bard (W)

- L. Coaches Meeting.** A mandatory Pre-Championships Coaches meeting will take place at 11 a.m. on the Wednesday prior to the Indoor Championships. This meeting will be conducted via Zoom or another video conference platform, and a representative from each institution must be in attendance.

II. Indoor Championship Meet Operations.

- A. Time Schedule.** See Appendix C at the end of this document for the time schedule for the Liberty League Indoor Track & Field Championships.

- B. Officials.** The meet officials will be selected by the host institution's assignor and job duties will follow the recommendations set forth in the NCAA Cross Country/Track & Field Rules Book. The following officials are required for the Liberty League Indoor Championship:

Referee (1 each day)

Starter (2 each day)

Head Finish (1 each day)

Clerk (1 each day)

Umpires (2 each day)

Heptathlon (2 each day)

Pentathlon (2 on Day 1)

Long Jump (2 on Day 1)

Shot Put (2 on Day 1)

Pole Vault (2 on Day 1)

High Jump (2 on Day 2)

Triple Jump (2 on Day 2)

Weight Throw (2 on Day 2)

- C. Meet Personnel.** The host institution is required to provide volunteers/staff necessary to run the championship meet. The following staff are recommended:

Athletic Training Staff

Public Address Announcer

Photographer

Video Stream Personnel (if applicable)

Clerk Assistants (2)

Heptathlon (2 each day)

Pentathlon (2 on Day 1)

Shot Put (2 on Day 1)

Long Jump (3 on Day 1)
Pole Vault (2 on Day 1)
High Jump (2 on Day 2)
Triple Jump (3 on Day 2)
Weight Throw (2 on Day 2)
Hurdle Crew (8-10 each day)

- D. Hospitality.** Food and beverages should be provided by the host institution for the head and assistant coaches of each institution and meet officials during the championship. Hospitality should be located somewhere with easy accessibility for coaches and officials during the competition. If officials' schedules do not include a break that would allow them to eat, boxed or bagged lunches are recommended.
- E. Scoring.** The league championship shall score the top eight places in all individual and relay events, using the following point system: 10-8-6-5-4-3-2-1. The league champion for both Women and Men will be the top team finisher at the league championship meet.
- F. HJ/PV Height Progressions.** On the Monday before the championship the meet host will send out the progressions for high jump and pole vault competitions. Heights will be based on the 12th seeded athlete on the NCAA list (the "NCAA height"). Heights will proceed down from the NCAA height on 15cm/5cm progression and then proceed up from the NCAA height on 3cm/10cm progression. The starting heights will be at least 3cm below the league qualifying standard in the HJ and 10 cm below the standard in the PV.
- G. Rules for Forming Preliminary and Final Heats & Flights:**
1. **Field Events:** The number of finalists for all field events shall be nine (9) (ties per NCAA rules). The announcement of finals qualifiers should be made as soon as possible following the completion of the last preliminary flight.
 2. **Track Event Finals:** Track event finals shall qualify finalists as follows:
 - a. Events with preliminaries:
60 meters & 60 hurdles: One (1) section of 8. Runners will advance to finals in accordance with NCAA Rules 7-11 & 7-12.
 - b. Finals only events:
 - i. 200m & 400m: finals only, sections will be based on time. Maximum of 4 competitors in each section. Section and lane assignments based on seed time, per NCAA rule 7-10.2 and Rule 7-11. Heat progression will be slowest first and the last section being the fastest.
 - ii. 800m: finals only, sections based on time, fast section runs last. Maximum of 8 competitors assigned to each section.

- iii. ***Mile***: finals only, sections based on time, fast section runs last. If there are 15 or fewer entries, the event would be run as one section. If there are more than 15 entries, 12 would run in the fast section with remaining competitors running in the slower section.
 - iv. ***3000 meters and 5000 meters***: finals only, sections based on time, fast section runs last. If there are 18 or fewer entries, the event would be run in one section. If more than 18 competitors are entered, then 15 would run in the fast section with remaining competitors running in the slower section.
 - v. ***Distance Medley Relay***: One (1) section.
 - vi. ***4 X 400 Relay***: One (1) section if 6 or fewer teams declare; otherwise two (2) sections split evenly, fast section runs last. Relays with an odd number of teams shall seed the larger number of teams into the fast heat (e.g., seven (7) teams participating would require four (4) teams in the fast heat and three (3) teams in the slow heat).
3. ***Starting procedures***: All oval races shall start as follows:
 - a. 400 meters and 4 x 400 Relay: 2-turn stagger by lanes.
 - b. 800 meters: 2-turn stagger, double waterfall.
 - c. Distance Medley Relay: waterfall.
 - d. Mile, 3000 meters and 5000 meters: double waterfall.
 4. ***Lane preference***: Per the NCAA Rules 4-2 & 7-11, Meet Management shall determine the ranked order of preferred lanes/alleys for seeding purposes.
 5. ***Seeding running events***: All running events (prelims and finals) contested at the indoor championships shall be seeded in accordance with NCAA Rules 7-9, 7-10 & 7-11. If any performance marks are tied, for seeding purposes, the descending order on TFRRS will be used. The higher rank will receive priority for placement.
 6. ***Seeding field events***: The number of flights and the seeding for all field events shall be done in accordance with NCAA Rules 5-2 & 5-4. Field events with 30 or fewer entries are limited to two flights with an additional flight added if there are more than 30 entries.
 7. ***Seeding combined events***:
 - a. The pentathlon & heptathlon shall be grouped and seeded in accordance with NCAA Rule 5-2.6 & 7-9.
 - b. If sections are necessary in the 60 meters or 60 Hurdles, they may be determined by season-best performance in that event. Sections shall be as equal in number of competitors as possible. Not fewer than 3 competitors should start in any section.

- c. In the 800 meters and 1000 meters, a maximum of 12 competitors should be assigned to each section. The sections should be arranged so that the last section contains the leading athletes after the penultimate event, and starting position shall be determined by overall event scores following the penultimate event.
 - d. Competitors shall be assigned to alternating lanes (2-4-6-8) in the 60 Hurdles.
 - e. Individual event marks (season best performance) can be used to seed wild card entries into combined events.

- H. Packet Pick Up.** Meet packets should be available for pickup by coaches beginning at 9:30 a.m. on Day 1 of the championship. Printed copies of the heat/flight sheets should also be available.

- I. Implement Certification.** Throwing implement inspection will take place between 10:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. on Day 1 of the championship (Friday), and from 9:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m. on Day 2 of the championship (Saturday), at a location designated by the host. Meet-certified implements will be impounded and made available during the allotted warm-up times.

- J. Warm-Ups.** Each preliminary flight of throws and horizontal jumps will be allowed a 20-minute flight-specific warm-up. There is no general warm-up period. A maximum 15-minute warm-up period will be allowed before finals. However, finals competition may begin before 15 minutes elapses, if all competitors agree to start earlier. Competitors will be allowed a 90-minute warm-up period for pole vault and a 60-minute warm-up period for high jump. Per NCAA Rule 16-1.6, all high jump competitors shall have their measured marks in place a minimum of 30 minutes prior to the start of competition. At that point, no tape measures or measuring devices shall be allowed on the high jump apron for a competitor to measure or establish a mark.

- K. Clerking/Check-In.** Competitors in all track events must check in at the clerking table, at least 20 minutes prior to the start of the event. Relay teams must present a relay card to indicate composition and order of the team. Field event competitors must check in at the respective event venues, at least 20 minutes prior to the scheduled start of the event. Failure to check-in during the established period will result in the competitor being scratched from the event and all subsequent events.

- L. Protest.** All protests must be made in writing by the Head Coach of the protesting school, or designated representative, within 15 minutes of the posting of results. All implicated coaches must be notified of a tendered protest or any disqualification. The referee shall review the protest or report leading to a disqualification and shall render a decision after determining and considering

available evidence. The referee's decisions in all matters shall be final and without appeal.

M. Championship Awards. The following awards will be provided by the Liberty League at the Championship site:

- Team Champions: The league team champions for men and women will be awarded plaques at the conclusion of each championship.
- Medals: Medals shall be presented to the top 8 individual finishers and the top 3 relay teams in each event at the league championship meet. All student-athletes must be dressed in team apparel (uniform or team warm-ups) while being honored on the podium.
- Performers of the Meet: The coaches shall select a Track Performer of the Meet and Field Performer of the Meet at the conclusion of the championship meets. A brief meeting shall be held at the conclusion of the meet in which the coaches shall nominate individuals from their respective teams and select the honorees by ballot vote. The honorees shall be recognized in the awards ceremony at the conclusion of the championship and shall receive a plaque/trophy.

N. Post-Season Awards. The following awards will be announced following the conclusion of the NCAA Championships (voting for will be facilitated by the League office):

- Track Performer of the Year
- Field Performer of the Year
- Rookie of the Year
- Coaching Staff of the Year
- All-League: The top 3 finishers in each individual event and the winning relay teams from the league championship meets will be named All-League (1st team, 2nd team, honorable mention).

O. Weekly Honors. The League Office, in coordination with the athletic communications offices, will recognize a Track Performer of the Week, Field Performer of the Week and Rookie of the Week for individual performances throughout the season. Nominations shall be submitted electronically by each institution to the League Office no later than noon each Monday.

III. Outdoor Track & Field Pre-Championship Guidelines.

- A. Format.** The Liberty League Outdoor Track & Field Championships will be contested over two days, beginning on a Friday and concluding on Saturday, with the women's and men's events alternating throughout the schedule. The official NCAA Cross Country/Track & Field rule book will govern the competition.
- B. Host Facility Requirements.** The following are facility requirements in order to host the Liberty League Outdoor Track & Field Championships:
- 400-meter, 8-lane oval with steeplechase water jump
 - 8-lane straightaway
 - 1 Horizontal jumping pit
 - 1 High jump apron + NCAA-approved landing pad system
 - 1 Pole Vault runway + NCAA-approved landing pad system
 - Adequate throws facility for hammer, discus, shot put and javelin
 - A curb along all curves, if track is surveyed based on the existence of a curb, or cones must be placed along the inside white line at appropriate intervals if track was surveyed for no curb (per NCAA rule book).
 - Locker/Restroom facilities
- C. Site Rotation.** Beginning with the 2020 outdoor track and field season, the championship host shall rotate annually among the following institutions: St. Lawrence, Rochester, Rensselaer, RIT, Vassar.
- D. Championship Dates.** The men's and women's outdoor track and field championships shall be held annually on the Friday-Saturday which falls three (3) weekends prior to the NCAA Outdoor Championships.
- E. Information Packet.** At least one month prior to the championship, the host institution will be required to send out an initial information packet for the championship which will include: schedule of events, hotel/restaurant info, roster forms, championship information, awards information, scoring information and final entry instructions.
- F. Timing & Scoring.** Timing and scoring services for the championship will be arranged by the League office. The host institution is responsible for all costs associated with these services.
- G. Performance List.** The official Liberty League performance list is published via the NCAA-approved results reporting database (currently TFRRS), following the protocol established by the NCAA. Qualifying performances may only be recorded in sanctioned meets in accordance with the current edition of the NCAA Cross Country/Track & Field Rulebook. Conversions for different-length events (e.g. Mile to 1500m, 4x100y Relay to 4x100m Relay, Mile Relay to 4x400m Relay) are calculated via the NCAA standardized conversion factors.

- H. Qualifying Process.** Each institution shall be allocated a minimum of two participants per event at the championship. In order for an institution to qualify more than two participants per event, all individuals must meet the established Liberty League qualifying standards. Those individuals will be entered if declared.
- 1. Wild cards.** Each institution shall be allowed one wild card entry into the meet per gender, which will allow for the entry of a student-athlete that has not yet achieved the threshold for qualifying.
 - 2. Combined Event Qualification.** Combined event qualification will be limited to the top 12 declared from a list that includes the compiled points acquired throughout the season (points can only be acquired during the respective season – indoor points cannot be used for outdoor qualification). There is no minimum point standard, but competitors must have competed in at least 50 percent of the events in order to qualify for their respective combined events. *Note: the two-participant-per-school allocation does not apply to the combined events. Also, a separate list will be published by the League office each week with updated point totals.*
- I. Entry Submission.** A final declaration/entry of competitors must be submitted via DirectAthletics by Tuesday at NOON for the championship. Late entries will not be accepted. The meet timer will produce and disseminate an entry/performance list by 5 p.m. Tuesday.
- J. Heat/Flight Sheets & Scratches.** Heat sheets will be posted by the timing company by 12 p.m. on the Thursday prior to the championships. Any initial scratches should be submitted to the timing company by 9 a.m. Thursday morning. Scratches for Day 2 of the competition should be submitted by 9 p.m. Friday evening.
- K. Meet Management.** A Meet Management group shall be convened to address and take action on issues that arise prior to or during the championship that are not explicitly covered in the sport guidelines. Meet Management shall consist of a Liberty League representative, the host championship manager and three coaches that shall rotate alphabetically by institution/team gender. If a coach in the Meet Management group is from an institution involved in the issue, then that coach shall be replaced by the next coach of the same team gender in the alphabetical listing.
- Outdoor Track & Field:**
2023: RIT (W), Ithaca (M), St. Lawrence (W)
2024: RPI (M), Union (W), Rochester (M)
2025: Vassar (W), RIT (M), Bard (W)
2026: RIT (M), Bard (W), St. Lawrence (M)

2027: Ithaca (W), Union (M), RPI (W)
2028: Vassar (M), Rochester (W), Bard (M)

- L. **Coaches Meeting.** A mandatory Pre-Championships Coaches meeting will take place at 11 a.m. on the Wednesday prior to the Outdoor Championships. This meeting will be conducted via Zoom or another video conference platform, and a representative from each institution must be in attendance.

IV. **Outdoor Championship Meet Operations.**

- A. **Time Schedule.** See Appendix D at the end of this document for the time schedule for the Liberty League Outdoor Track & Field Championships.

- B. **Officials.** The meet officials will be selected by the host institution's assignor and job duties will follow the recommendations set forth in the NCAA Cross Country/Track & Field rule book. The following officials are required for the Liberty League Outdoor Championship:

Referee (1-2 each day)*
Starter (2 each day)
Head Finish (1 each day)
Clerk (1 each day)
Umpires (2 each day)
Decathlon (2 each day)
Heptathlon (2 each day)
Long Jump (2 on Day 1)
Hammer (3 on Day 1)
Javelin (3 on Day 1)
Shot Put (2 on Day 2)
Discus (3 on Day 2)
Pole Vault (2 on Day 1)
High Jump (2 on Day 2)
Triple Jump (2 on Day 2)

**Depending on facility layout, host may consider hiring a Track Referee and a Field Referee.*

- C. **Meet Personnel.** The host institution is required to provide volunteers/staff necessary to run the championship meet. The following staff are recommended:

Athletic Training Staff
Public Address Announcer
Photographer
Video Stream Personnel (if applicable)
Clerk Assistants (2)
Decathlon (2 each day)
Heptathlon (2 each day)
Long Jump (4 on Day 1)

Pole Vault (2 on Day 1)
Hammer (2 on Day 1)
Javelin (2 on Day 1)
High Jump (2 on Day 2)
Triple Jump (4 on Day 2)
Discus (2 on Day 2)
Shot Put (2 on Day 2)
Hurdle/Steeplechase Crew (8-10 each day)
Starting Block movers (2-3 each day)
Wind Gauge operator - track events (1 each day)

- D. Hospitality.** Food and beverages should be provided by the host institution for the head and assistant coaches of each institution and meet officials during the championship. Hospitality should be located somewhere with easy accessibility for coaches and officials during the competition. If officials' schedules do not include a break that would allow them to eat, boxed or bagged lunches are recommended.
- E. Scoring.** The league championship shall score the top eight places in all individual and relay events, using the following point system: 10-8-6-5-4-3-2-1. The league champion for both Women and Men will be the top team finisher at the league championship meet.
- F. HJ/PV Height Progressions.** On the Monday before the championship the meet host will send out the progressions for high jump and pole vault competitions. Heights will be based on the 12th seeded athlete on the NCAA list (the "NCAA height"). Heights will proceed down from the NCAA height on 15cm/5cm progression and then proceed up from the NCAA height on 3cm/10cm progression. The starting heights will be at least 3cm below the league qualifying standard in the HJ and 10 cm below the standard in the PV.
- G. Rules for Forming Preliminary and Final Heats & Flights:**
1. The number of finalists for all field events shall be nine (9) (ties per NCAA rules). The announcement of finals qualifiers should be made as soon as possible following the completion of the last preliminary flight.
 2. The 100m, 100 hurdles, 200m, 400m, 400 Hurdles & 800m at the outdoor championships shall be contested and seeded in accordance with NCAA Rules 15-10, 15-11, 15-12, and 15-13. The League will utilize NCAA rules for qualifying by place and time to a final round.
 3. Lane preference: Per the NCAA Rules 4-2 & 15-12, Meet Management shall determine the ranked order of preferred lanes/alleys for seeding purposes.

4. Wind reversal: In instances in which it has determined that unfavorable wind or weather conditions exist, and the facility allows for it, the referees in consultation with the meet host may reverse the direction of running events (provided it is at least ½ hour prior to the start of the event) and designate the site or runway of field events (provided it is at least one hour prior to the start of the event).
5. The distance races shall be run as timed finals, and be seeded as follows:
 - a) 1500 meters: One (1) section for 15 or fewer declared competitors; two (2) sections for more than 15 competitors declared, with 12 in the fast section.
 - b) The 5000 meters and 10,000 meters: One (1) section only.
 - c) Steeplechase: The Steeplechase will be conducted in one (1) section if 18 or fewer declare. If more than 18 declare, then 12 will run in the fast section with the remainder in the first section.
6. Advancing to finals:
 - a) The method for advancing runners to finals in events with preliminaries at distances of 400 meters or less will be to advance heat winners and all others on times (NCAA Rule 15-12.2).
 - b) The method for advancing runners to finals in the 800 meters will be to advance the first two finishers in each heat and all others on times, if there are 3 or fewer heats. In the event of 4 or more heats, the winner of each heat will advance and all others on time (NCAA Rule 15-12.2).
7. Seeding combined events:
 - a) All combined events are to be grouped and seeded in accordance with NCAA Rules 13-2.6 and 15-10.
 - b) If sections are necessary in the 100 meters, 200 meters, 400 meters, 100 Hurdles, or 110 Hurdles, section assignments should be determined by season-best performance in that event. Sections shall be as equal in number of competitors as possible, and not fewer than 3 competitors should start in any section.
 - c) In the 800 and 1500 meters, a maximum of 16 competitors should be assigned to each section. The sections should be arranged so that the last section contains the leading athletes after the penultimate event, and starting positions shall be determined by overall event scores following the penultimate event.
 - d) Competitors shall be assigned to alternating lanes (2-4-6-8) in the 100 and 110 Hurdles.
 - e) Individual event marks can be used to seed wild card entries into combined events.

8. **Field event flight limits:** Field events with 30 or fewer entries are limited to two flights with an additional flight added if there are more than 30 entries.
- H. Packet Pick Up.** Meet packets should be available for pickup by coaches beginning at 9:30 am on Day 1 of the championship meet. Printed copies of the heat/flight sheets should also be available.
- I. Implement Certification.** Throwing implement inspection will take place between 12:30 p.m.-1:30 p.m. on Day 1 of the championship (Friday), and from 9:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m. on Day 2 of the championship (Saturday), at a location designated by the host. Meet-certified implements will be impounded and made available during the allotted warm-up times.
- J. Warm-Ups.** Each preliminary flight of throws and horizontal jumps will be allowed a 20-minute flight-specific warm-up. There is no general warm-up period. A maximum 15-minute warm-up period will be allowed before finals. However, finals competition may begin before 15 minutes elapses, if all competitors agree to start earlier. Competitors will be allowed a 90-minute warm-up period for pole vault and a 60-minute warm-up period for high jump. Per NCAA Rule 16-1.6, all high jump competitors shall have their measured marks in place a minimum of 30 minutes prior to the start of competition. At that point, no tape measures or measuring devices shall be allowed on the high jump apron for a competitor to measure or establish a mark.
- K. Clerking/Check-In.** Competitors in all track events must check in at the clerking table, at least 20 minutes prior to the start of the event. Relay teams must present a relay card to indicate composition and order of the team. Field event competitors must check in at the respective event venues, at least 20 minutes prior to the scheduled start of the event. Failure to check-in during the established period will result in the competitor being scratched from the event and all subsequent events.
- L. Protest.** All protests must be made in writing by the Head Coach of the protesting school, or designated representative, within 15 minutes of the posting of results. All implicated coaches must be notified of a tendered protest or any disqualification. The referee shall review the protest or report leading to a disqualification and shall render a decision after determining and considering available evidence. The referee's decisions in all matters shall be final and without appeal.
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- **Medals:** Medals shall be presented to the top 8 individual finishers and the top 3 relay teams in each event at the league championship meet. All student-athletes must be dressed in team apparel (uniform or team warm-ups) while being honored on the podium.
 - **Performers of the Meet:** The coaches shall select a Track Performer of the Meet and Field Performer of the Meet at the conclusion of the championship meet. A brief meeting shall be held at the conclusion of the meet, in which the coaches shall nominate individuals from their respective teams and select the honorees by ballot vote. The honorees shall be recognized in the awards ceremony at the conclusion of the championship and shall receive a plaque/trophy.
- N. Post-Season Awards:** The following awards will be announced following the conclusion of the NCAA Championships (voting for these awards will be facilitated by the League office):
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 - Field Performer of the Year
 - Rookie of the Year
 - Coaching Staff of the Year
 - All-League: The top 3 finishers in each individual event and the winning relay teams from the league championship meets will be named All-League (1st team, 2nd team, honorable mention).
- O. Weekly Honors.** The League Office, in coordination with the athletic communications offices, will recognize a Track Performer of the Week, Field Performer of the Week and Rookie of the Week for individual performances throughout the season. Nominations shall be submitted electronically by each institution to the League Office no later than noon each Monday.
- P. All-Academic Team.** To be selected for the All-Academic Team, a student-athlete must meet the following criteria:
1. Must be a sophomore or higher in class standing. Transfers must have served a year in residence. Graduate transfers are immediately eligible.
 2. Must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.30 or higher (or its equivalent as determined by the institution) based on a 4.0 scale. The GPA must be at least 3.30, not 3.29 and rounded to the nearest tenth of a point.

APPENDIX A

LIBERTY LEAGUE INDOOR QUALIFYING STANDARDS

| | <u>MEN</u> | <u>WOMEN</u> |
|-----------------------|------------|--------------|
| 60 Meter | 7.35 | 8.40 |
| 60 Hurdles | 9.50 | 10.50 |
| 200 Meters | 23.50 | 28.00 |
| 400 Meters | 53.00 | 64.00 |
| 800 Meters | 2:00.00 | 2:28.00 |
| 1 Mile Run | 4:28.00 | 5:30.00 |
| 3,000 Meters | 8:50.00 | 11:00.00 |
| 5,000 Meters | 15:35.00 | 20:00.00 |
| High Jump | 1.70m | 1.45m |
| Pole Vault | 3.80m | 2.60m |
| Long Jump | 6.10m | 4.90m |
| Triple Jump | 12.00m | 10.00m |
| Shot Put | 12.00m | 10.00m |
| Weight Throw | 12.00m | 10.00m |
| Heptathlon/Pentathlon | see below | see below |

Combined event qualification will be limited to the top 12 declared from a list that includes the compiled points acquired throughout the season (points can only be acquired during the respective season – indoor points cannot be used for outdoor qualification). There is no minimum point standard, but competitors must have competed in at least 50 percent of the events in order to qualify for their respective combined events.

Note: The two-participant-per-school allocation does not apply to the combined events.

APPENDIX B

LIBERTY LEAGUE OUTDOOR QUALIFYING STANDARDS

| | <u>MEN</u> | <u>WOMEN</u> |
|----------------------|------------|--------------|
| 100 Meters | 11.60 | 13.60 |
| 110/100 Hurdles | 18.00 | 18.00 |
| 200 Meters | 23.30 | 27.00 |
| 400 Meters | 52.00 | 64.00 |
| 400 Hurdles | 1:02.00 | 1:15.00 |
| 800 Meters | 1:59.50 | 2:28.00 |
| 1,500 Meters | 4:07.00 | 5:00.00 |
| 3,000 Steeplechase | 10:45.00 | 13:00.00 |
| 5,000 Meters | 15:30.00 | 19:00.00 |
| 10,000 Meters | 33:30.00 | 42:00.00 |
| High Jump | 1.70m | 1.43m |
| Pole Vault | 3.65m | 2.60m |
| Long Jump | 6.00m | 4.70m |
| Triple Jump | 12.00m | 9.76m |
| Shot Put | 11.60m | 9.50m |
| Discus Throw | 33.00m | 27.00m |
| Hammer Throw | 35.00m | 30.00m |
| Javelin Throw | 40.00m | 24.60m |
| Decathlon/Heptathlon | see below | see below |

Combined event qualification will be limited to the top 12 declared from a list that includes the compiled points acquired throughout the season (points can only be acquired during the respective season – indoor points cannot be used for outdoor qualification). There is no minimum point standard, but competitors must have competed in at least 50 percent of the events in order to qualify for their respective combined events.

Note: The two-participant-per-school allocation does not apply to the combined events.

APPENDIX C

LIBERTY LEAGUE INDOOR TRACK & FIELD CHAMPIONSHIPS SCHEDULE

Friday

| | | |
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| 11:15 AM | Coaches Meeting | <u>Men's Heptathlon Order - Day 1</u> |
| 11:30 AM | Men's Heptathlon 60 Meters | 60m Dash |
| 11:45 AM | Women's Pentathlon 60 Hurdles | Long Jump |
| 12:00 PM | Men's Shot Put | Shot Put |
| | Women's Pole Vault | High Jump |
| 2:00 PM | Women's Mile Run (F) | (allow ½ hour between events) |
| | Men's Long Jump (T/F) | |
| 2:20 PM | Men's Mile Run (F) | <u>Women's Pentathlon Order</u> |
| 2:45 PM | Women's 60 Hurdles (T) | 60 Hurdles |
| 3:05 PM | Men's 60 Hurdles (T) | High Jump |
| 3:25 PM | Women's 60m Dash (T) | Shot Put |
| 3:30 PM | Men's Pole Vault (F) | Long Jump |
| 3:40 PM | Men's 60m Dash (T) | 800 meters |
| 3:55 PM | Women's 400m Dash (F) | (allow ½ hour between events) |
| 4:15 PM | Men's 400m Dash (F) | |
| 4:30 PM | Women's Shot Put (T/F) | |
| 4:35 PM | Women's 5000m Run (Sections if needed) (F) | |
| 5:00 PM | Women's Long Jump (T/F) | |
| 5:20 PM | Men's 5000m Run (Sections if needed) (F) | |
| 5:55 PM | Women's DMR (F) | |
| 6:15 PM | Men's DMR (F) | |

Saturday

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| 10:30 AM | Coaches Meeting <i>(if needed)</i> | <u>Men's Heptathlon Order - Day 2</u> |
| 11:00 AM | Men's Heptathlon 60 Hurdles | 60 Hurdles |
| | Women's High Jump | Pole Vault |
| 11:30 AM | Men's Triple Jump (T/F) | 1000 meters |
| | Men's Weight Throw (T/F) | (allow ½ hour between events) |
| 12:00 PM | Men's 60m Hurdles (F) | |
| 12:15 PM | Women's 60m Hurdles (F) | |
| 12:30 PM | Women's 60m Dash (F) | |
| 12:45 PM | Men's 60m Dash (F) | |
| 1:00 PM | Women's 800m Run (F) | |
| 1:20 PM | Men's 800m Run (F) | |
| 1:30 PM | Women's Triple Jump (T/F) | |
| | Women's Weight Throw (T/F) | |
| 1:40 PM | Women's 200m Dash (F) | |
| 1:45 PM | Men's High Jump (F) | |
| 1:55 PM | Men's 200m Dash (F) | |
| 2:10 PM | Women's 3000m Run (Sections if needed) (F) | |
| 2:40 PM | Men's 3000m Run (Sections if needed) (F) | |
| 3:10 PM | Women's 4x400m Relay (F) | |
| 3:20 PM | Men's 4x400m Relay (F) | |
| | Presentation of Team and Special Awards | |

Notes:

1. T = Trials, F = Finals, T/F = Trials followed by finals
2. The Men's and Women's 4x400m Relays will be contested when scheduled regardless of whether all other events of the same gender have been completed.

APPENDIX D

LIBERTY LEAGUE OUTDOOR TRACK & FIELD CHAMPIONSHIPS SCHEDULE

Friday

| | |
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| 11:00 AM | Coaches Meeting |
| 12:00 PM | Men's Decathlon 100m Dash Men's Pole Vault (F) |
| 12:30 PM | Women's Heptathlon 100m Hurdles |
| 2:00 PM | Women's 100m Hurdles (T) Women's Long Jump (T/F) Women's Hammer Throw (T/F) Men's Javelin Throw (T/F) |
| 2:15 PM | Men's 110m Hurdles (T) |
| 2:30 PM | Women's 400m Dash (T) |
| 2:45 PM | Men's 400m Dash (T) |
| 3:00 PM | Women's 100m Dash (T) |
| 3:15 PM | Men's 100m Dash (T) |
| 3:30 PM | Women's 800m Run (T) |
| 3:45 PM | Men's 800m Run (T) |
| 4:00 PM | Women's 400m Hurdles (T) Women's Pole Vault (F) |
| 4:20 PM | Men's 400m Hurdles (T) |
| 4:30 PM | Men's Hammer Throw (T/F) Women's Javelin Throw (T/F) Men's Long Jump (T/F) |
| 4:40 PM | Women's 200m Dash (T) |
| 4:55 PM | Men's 200m Dash (T) |
| 5:10 PM | Women's 3000m Steeplechase (F) |
| 5:35 PM | Men's 3000m Steeplechase (F) |
| 6:00 PM | Women's 10000m Run (F) |
| 6:50 PM | Men's 10000m Run (F) |

Women's Heptathlon Order

100m Hurdles
High Jump
Shot Put
200m Dash
(allow ½ hour between events)

Men's Decathlon Order

100m Dash
Long Jump
Shot Put
High Jump
400m Dash
(allow ½ hour between events)

Saturday

| | |
|----------|---|
| 10:00 AM | Coaches Meeting (if needed) |
| 10:30 AM | Men's Decathlon 110m Hurdles |
| 11:30 AM | Women's Heptathlon Long Jump |
| 12:00 PM | Women's 4x100m Relay (F) Men's High Jump (F) |
| 12:10 PM | Men's 4x100m Relay (F) |
| 12:20 PM | Women's 1500m Run (F) |
| 12:30 PM | Women's Shot Put (T/F) Men's Discus Throw (T/F) |
| 12:40 PM | Men's 1500m Run (F) |
| 12:45 PM | Women's Triple Jump (T/F) |
| 1:00 PM | Men's 110m Hurdles (F) |
| 1:15 PM | Women's 100m Hurdles (F) |
| 1:30 PM | Women's 400m Dash (F) |
| 1:40 PM | Men's 400m Dash (F) |
| 1:50 PM | Women's 100m Dash (F) |
| 2:00 PM | Men's 100m Dash (F) |
| 2:10 PM | Women's 800m Run (F) |
| 2:20 PM | Men's 800m Run (F) |
| 2:30 PM | Women's 400m Hurdles (F) Men's Triple Jump (T/F) |

Women's Heptathlon Order

Long Jump
Javelin Throw
800 meters
(allow ½ hour between events)

Men's Decathlon Order

110m Hurdles
Discus
Pole Vault
Javelin Throw
1500 meters
(allow ½ hour between events)

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| | |
|---------|---|
| | Women's High Jump (F) |
| | Men's Shot Put (T/F) |
| | Women's Discus Throw (T/F) |
| 2:45 PM | Men's 400m Hurdles (F) |
| 2:55 PM | Women's 200m Dash (F) |
| 3:05 PM | Men's 200m Dash (F) |
| 3:15 PM | Women's 5000m Run (F) |
| 3:40 PM | Men's 5000m Run (F) |
| 4:00 PM | Women's 4x400m Relay (F) |
| 4:10 PM | Men's 4x400m Relay (F) |
| | Presentation of Team and Special Awards |

Notes:

1. T = Trials, F = Finals, T/F = Trials followed by finals
2. The Men's and Women's 4x400m Relays will be contested when scheduled regardless of whether all other events of the same gender have been completed.

VOLLEYBALL (WOMEN'S).

I. General Regulations.

- A. Determination of Regular-Season Champion.** The regular season champion will be the team with the best winning percentage in round-robin competition. Head-to-head competition will determine the winner in a tie situation. If three or more teams remain tied after head-to-head results are considered, the Liberty League tiebreaker system will be implemented.
- B. Start Times.** Starting times for weekend competition shall be 7 p.m. Friday and 2 p.m. Saturday for weekends in which teams are either home or away both days. Starting times for split-site weekends (home one day and away one day) shall be 4 p.m. Friday and 4 p.m. Saturday. Match times may be adjusted by mutual agreement of the competing institutions. (1/19; 6/23)
- C. Travel Partner Matches.** Travel partner matches shall be scheduled by mutual agreement.
- D. Officials.** All Liberty League matches shall have line judges certified by the Professional Association of Volleyball Officials (PAVO). (5/14)
- E. Video Exchange.** Video exchange shall adhere to the following guidelines:
1. Video exchange shall be conducted through an online video exchange system designated by the league (Hudl in 2025).
 2. Each team must upload all of its matches to the designated exchange system, both league and non-league. (6/21)
 3. There shall be no limit to the number of league matches a team can download on other league teams.
 4. A team shall not be permitted to download any matches until all completed matches have been uploaded.
 5. The home team in league play shall be responsible for uploading the match. The home team shall share the video upload with the visiting team and all other teams for all league matches.
 6. Home matches must be uploaded by midnight following the match. (5/25)
 7. Weekend away matches (Friday-Sunday) must be uploaded by noon on Monday. Midweek away matches (Monday-Thursday) must be uploaded by noon the following day. (5/25)
- F. Statistics.** The host institution is responsible for keeping (not collecting and compiling) statistics for all league matches. Printed box scores for both the match and recently completed set shall be distributed to each team between sets during league matches. (5/14; 6/16).

II. League Tournament.

- A. Format.** A 6-team championship will be conducted on the last available weekend (Tuesday-Friday-Saturday) prior to the NCAA Championship selections. The tournament champion will receive the automatic qualifier to the NCAA championship.
- B. Selection & Seeding.** Teams will be selected and seeded based on league regular-season results (winning percentage).
- C. Tiebreaker Seeding.** Ties will be broken using the established Liberty League volleyball tiebreaker procedure:
 1. Head-to-head results;
 2. Record vs. conference opponents in descending order;
 3. Overall winning percentage multiplied by strength of schedule rating at the conclusion of the league schedule;
 4. Head-to-head results in non-league competition (6/11);
 5. Coin flip.
- D. Tournament Host.** The top seed will be given the first opportunity to host the semifinals and championship match. If the top seed declines, it will be offered to the next highest seed.
- E. Pre-Tournament Meeting.** A pre-tournament meeting (conference call) shall be conducted with the host institution and competing teams on Wednesday to review the schedule and logistics for the tournament. (6/24)
- F. Tournament schedule.**

| Tuesday | Pairings | Time |
|-----------------|---|-------------|
| First Round | #6 at #3 | 6 p.m. |
| First Round | #5 at #4 | 6 p.m. |
| Friday | | |
| Semifinal | #3/#6 winner vs. #2 | 4 p.m. |
| Semifinal | #4/#5 winner at #1 | 6:30 p.m. |
| Note: | See paragraph F below | |
| Saturday | | |
| Championship | Championship Match: Semifinal winners at top seed | 2 p.m. |

- G. Match Times.** Tuesday's first-round matches will be held at 6 p.m. or a mutually agreeable time. Friday's semifinal matches will be held at 4 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. with a guaranteed minimum 40-minute warm-up between matches. The number-one seed will have the option to play in the earlier or later match on Friday. Saturday's championship will be played at 2 p.m. (5/11; 5/20)

- H. **Practice Times.** Practice slots shall be available at 10, 11, 12, and 1 on Friday to be scheduled based upon the travel time (team that travels the furthest has first choice) in order and the host shall have the remaining slot. Practices are closed and should be free of interruptions or distractions to the greatest extent possible. (5/11)
- I. **Officials.** Two officials for the championship shall be selected and procured by the league prior to competitive season. Officials shall be provided \$35 per diem and lodging (if necessary) at championship site. Additionally, a certified scorekeeper shall be procured for the championship. (5/11; 5/13; 5/20)

III. Awards

- A. **All-League Team.** At the conclusion of the regular-season, the league coaches will select an All-Liberty League team. The volleyball team will generally be comprised of (7) players on both a 1st and 2nd team. The coaches will also select a Player of the Year, Rookie of the Year and Coaching Staff of the Year.
 - 1. **Nominations.** Coaches shall nominate players from their respective teams for All-League no later than the Monday prior to the league tournament. Nominations shall be submitted electronically to the League Office in coordination with the athletic communications staff at each institution. There is no limit on the number of players that can be nominated for All-League consideration, although nominees should be starters or key reserves. Only one player may be nominated for the Rookie of the Year award.
 - 2. **Voting Procedure.** The League Office will compile and disseminate a ballot no later than Monday prior to the league tournament. Coaches should rank-order the top 14 players, placing the best player first, the second-best player second, the third-best player third, etc. Coaches should also select a Rookie of the Year and a Coaching Staff of the Year. **Coaches may not vote for their own players.** The completed ballot shall be submitted electronically to the League Office no later than noon on the Wednesday prior to the league tournament.
 - 3. **Determination of All-League Team.** The top-ranked player on each ballot will be award 14 points, the second-ranked player 13 points, the third-ranked player 12 points, etc. The top seven players accumulating the most points shall be accorded 1st team All-League status. The next seven players shall be accorded 2nd team All-League status. If ties exist for the final spots on either the 1st or 2nd team, additional players shall be added to the respective teams. Any athlete receiving votes from one-third of the coaches, but not on 1st or 2nd team, will be recognized as honorable mention.
 - 4. **Determination of Player/Rookie/Coaching Staff of the Year.** The player accumulating the most points in the All-League voting shall be accorded Player of the Year status. The top first-year player accumulating the most points in the All-League voting shall be accorded

Rookie of the Year status. If no first-year players rank among the top 14 players, a separate Rookie of the Year vote shall be conducted. For Rookie of the Year and Coaching Staff of the Year honors, coaches shall vote for their top three choices with three points given for a 1st-place vote, two for a 2nd-place vote, and one for a 3rd-place vote. **Coaches may not vote for their own players or coaching staff.** Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named.

5. Awards Announcement. The All-Liberty League team and awards will be announced no earlier than Tuesday following the conclusion of the Liberty League championship.

B. Most Outstanding Performer. At the conclusion of the championship, the athletic communications staff of the host institution in conjunction with league officials shall select a Most Outstanding Performer. The honoree shall be recognized at the conclusion of the championship and shall receive a plaque/trophy. (5/18)

C. Weekly Honors. The League Office, in coordination with the athletic communications offices, will recognize a Performer of the Week and Rookie of the Week for individual performances throughout the season. Nominations shall be submitted electronically by each institution to the League Office no later than noon each Monday.

D. All-Academic Team. To be selected for the All-Academic Team, a student-athlete must meet the following criteria:

1. Must be a sophomore or higher in class standing. Transfers must have served a year in residence. Graduate transfers are immediately eligible.
2. Must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.30 or higher (or its equivalent as determined by the institution) based on a 4.0 scale. The GPA must be at least 3.30, not 3.29 and rounded to the nearest tenth of a point.



Sports Medicine Handbook

(Adopted: 8/31/2012; Revised: 10/19/2023)

This handbook is a guide for Liberty League sports medicine staffs when they host a league event or visit another league institution. By adhering to these policies, Liberty League institutions will provide athletic safety and effective injury care to all student-athletes.

I. Sports Medicine Committee.

- A. The Sports Medicine Committee shall be composed of the Head Athletic Trainers at each Liberty League institution and the Liberty League Representative (school administrator).
 1. Annually, this committee shall review and update its Sports Medicine Handbook found within the Liberty League Policies and Procedures Manual with the purpose of strengthening the communication between member institutions related to sports medicine services and its availability during all scheduled athletic events at the host site. This handbook shall provide a minimal standard of care and expectation.
 2. The Head Athletic Trainers in the League will serve in an advisory capacity to the league athletic directors, administrators and staff regarding policies and procedures relating to safety and healthcare concerns of all intercollegiate athletic teams.
 3. The Sports Medicine Committee should meet once per year (additional meetings as needed). The chair (see section I.B.) and the league representative (Liberty League Support Area Committee Liaison) (see section I.C.) will designate time and type of meeting (i.e. conference call). (6/17)

- B. The Sports Medicine Committee shall be chaired by the Head Athletic Trainer of the institution whose current Athletic Director is President of the League.

LIBERTY LEAGUE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ROTATION

| | <u>24-26</u> | <u>26-28</u> | <u>28-30</u> | <u>30-32</u> | <u>32-34</u> | <u>34-36</u> | <u>36-38</u> | <u>38-40</u> | <u>40-42</u> | <u>42-44</u> | <u>22-24</u> |
|--------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| <u>Exec. Comm.</u> | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <u>Elect</u> | <u>STL</u> | <u>UNI</u> | <u>VAS</u> | <u>BRD</u> | <u>CLK</u> | <u>HWS</u> | <u>ITH</u> | <u>RPI</u> | <u>RIT</u> | <u>SKD</u> | <u>STL</u> |
| <u>Chair</u> | <u>SKD</u> | <u>STL</u> | <u>UNI</u> | <u>VAS</u> | <u>BRD</u> | <u>CLK</u> | <u>HWS</u> | <u>ITH</u> | <u>RPI</u> | <u>RIT</u> | <u>SKD</u> |
| <u>Past</u> | <u>RIT</u> | <u>SKD</u> | <u>STL</u> | <u>UNI</u> | <u>VAS</u> | <u>BRD</u> | <u>CLK</u> | <u>HWS</u> | <u>ITH</u> | <u>RPI</u> | <u>RIT</u> |

1. The chair serves as the primary liaison between the sports medicine staffs and the league office.
 2. The chair conducts the annual meeting(s) and is responsible for ensuring that the minutes of all of the committee meetings/conference calls and other pertinent information are communicated to the Head Athletic Trainers at all Liberty League member schools.
 - a) The chair shall solicit items from the sports medicine staffs, athletic administrators, faculty athletics representatives and others (athletic communications directors, student-athletes) for inclusion on meeting agendas.
 3. The chair shall maintain an updated list of the Sports Medicine Staffs at each of the league institutions to include: work & cell phone numbers, email addresses, assigned sports (if applicable), athletic training room phone numbers.
- C. The Sports Medicine Committee shall be assigned a Liberty League Committee Liaison.
1. The league representative serves an ex-officio member of the committee and shall represent the league at related committee meetings/conference calls.
 2. The league representative is expected to work closely with the chair of the committee and should be prepared to represent the views of the committee at League Meetings.

II. Sports Medicine Staffs.

- A. Certified Athletic Trainer (ATC). All practicing and titled Certified Athletic Trainers must comply with national (NATABOC) and state certification and licensure standards.
- B. Appropriate Medical Coverage Providers. (6/16)

1. All appropriate medical coverage providers must have an unrestricted medical license and be an M.D., D.O., P.A., or N.P. with prior sports medicine experience and knowledge to manage any acute situation that may occur in the course of gameplay. It is the responsibility of the host institution to ensure that the covering provider meets these qualifications. (6/16)
2. Appropriate medical coverage providers shall be present at all football home games. (6/16)

III. Professional Courtesy by Host Institution.

- A. Pre-Event.** The host institution will extend the following professional courtesies to the visiting institution and its team:
1. Provide adequate space and tables for taping/treatment.
 2. Supply sideline ice for injury care and an adequate supply of water prior to the scheduled warm-up for the event.
 3. Requests for non-emergency services (i.e. taping) by visiting teams with prior notification and game officials should be accommodated by sports medicine staffs provided such activities do not interfere with the duties of the staffs in the treatment and/or preparation of their own student-athletes.
 4. Medical Time-Out prior to contest with necessary personnel to discuss EAP and related concerns.
- B. During Event.**
1. A member of the host institution's sports medicine staff shall be present for all home contests.
 2. During the event, the host sports medicine staff will provide assistance to the visiting team when requested by the visiting coach and/or visiting sports medicine staff. In the case of serious injury the host sports medicine staff will coordinate emergency care.
 - a) Each institution shall have an emergency plan for serious injuries and situations. These plans should be venue specific and shall address such issues of contacting emergency services (911, etc.), ambulance service/availability/contracting, care until EMS arrives, and chain of command. It is understood that each of these emergency action plans must be tailored to the needs of each individual institution's protocol.
 - b) An ambulance will be on-site for all home football contests.
 - c) The host sports medicine staff shall assist the visiting team by providing the location of the nearest medical facility. However, it is not the responsibility of the host institution to provide transportation to the nearest medical facility.
 3. The host institution shall provide the following emergency equipment:
 - a) Automated External Defibrillator (AED)
 - b) Rapid Vacuum Immobilizer Splints/Air Splints

- c) Crutches
 - d) Adjustable Cervical Collar(s)
 - e) Biohazard Waste Disposal
4. The host institution shall provide at least 1 table (treatment, taping table and/or standard event table) that shall be dedicated for sports medicine use only.

C. Post-Event.

1. The host sports medicine staff (Physician and/or ATC) shall be made available after the event to evaluate and treat any injuries sustained during the contest by both teams. This time period will be at the discretion of the host institution's sports medicine staff (recommended minimum of 15 minutes). The host sports medicine staff should follow-up with visiting team to inquire about further needs.
2. The host sports medicine staff will obtain the following information in case of injury to any athlete who requires more than immediate first aid:
 - a) Athlete's name
 - b) Type and severity of injury
 - c) Treatment administered
 - d) Physician's recommendations (if applicable)
 - e) Medical facility referred to (if applicable) and contact information
3. The host sports medicine staff should contact the sports medicine staff of the injured athlete regarding the evaluation and treatment.
4. The host sports medicine staff is not responsible for providing any post-event modalities with the exception of ice bags. (6/16)

IV. Professional Courtesy by Visiting Institution.

A. Pre-Event.

1. Teams requiring the assistance of the host sports medicine staff should notify that institution's staff at least two working days in advance of the contest that the team will be travelling without an ATC and any special needs of the team.
 - a) This notification should be done via telephone or email.
 - b) Sports that require travel by a member of the sports medicine staff (ATC and/or physician) are as follows: football, men's lacrosse.
2. Teams are required to supply their own sports medicine supplies and kit.
 - a) Kits are to be brought to both the sports medicine facilities and the site of competition by visiting team members.
 - b) Teams travelling without sports medicine supplies and kit should receive medically necessary treatments/preparations out of courtesy.
3. Visiting teams are required to travel with emergency information for each team member. The head coach or designee should provide

information to host institution's medical staff when requested. This information should include:

- a) Student-athlete's full name
- b) Emergency contact information
- c) Allergies
- d) Medical conditions
- e) Insurance information

4. Medical treatments for visiting teams will be limited to the use of ice and moist heat, based on host site's availability.

- a) The league has adopted the policy that no electrical or acoustic based modalities will be made available to visiting student-athletes unless administered by their sports medicine staff. Visiting student-athletes will receive basic treatments (taping, first aid, etc.).

B. During Event.

1. The visiting sports medicine staff and/or coach will be responsible for requesting medical assistance from the host sports medicine staff in case of serious injury to any student-athletes. The visiting sports medicine staff and/or coach is to remain with the injured student-athlete while the host sports medicine staff is attending to the injured student-athlete.
2. When a team is traveling without an athletic trainer all decisions regarding continued participation by that student-athlete in further athletic competition shall be at the sole discretion/unchallengeable authority of the host institution's sports medicine staff. It is expected that coaches and all other athletic staff will cooperate fully in the enforcement of this policy.

C. Post-Event.

1. The visiting sports medicine staff and/or coach should keep all injured student-athletes who should be examined by the host institution's physician or sports medicine staff together after the event so that medical evaluations can be completed promptly. The responsibility of care returns to the student-athlete's institution upon departure from the host site. It is the responsibility of the student-athlete and the visiting team's coach to discuss continued care with their institution's sports medicine staff.

V. Championship Events.

- A. When hosting a Liberty League Championship (semifinals, finals, etc.), the host sports medicine staff is responsible for coordinating all athletic training and emergency services. The host sports medicine staff may cover the event, arrange for coverage by the participating schools, or contract through a per diem ATC.

1. An ATC must be in attendance at all Liberty League Championship events, with the exception of golf, which must have a ATC on-call for event.

VI. Weather Related Policies. Host site policies and procedures will be followed.

TABLE #1

**Liberty League Sports / Support Area Committee Liaisons
2024-25 through 2027-28 (APPROVED 5/19)**

For more details on Liberty League Sports Committees, Committee Chairs, and Committee Liaisons, prefer to page 9 of the Policies and Procedures or page 15 of the Team Guidelines.

| Sport / Support Area | Athletic Director or Designee Serving as Sport Liaison |
|-----------------------------|---|
| FALL SPORTS | |
| Cross Country | RIT |
| Field Hockey | Skidmore |
| Football | RPI |
| Soccer | RPI |
| Volleyball | Bard |
| WINTER SPORTS | |
| Basketball | Hobart and William Smith |
| Swimming & Diving | Ithaca |
| Squash | St. Lawrence |
| Track & Field | RIT |
| SPRING SPORTS | |
| Baseball | Rochester |
| M/Golf | Clarkson |
| W/Golf | Union |
| M/Lacrosse | Skidmore |
| W/Lacrosse | Clarkson |
| Rowing | Hobart and William Smith |
| Softball | Rochester |
| Tennis | St. Lawrence |
| Track & Field | RIT |
| SUPPORT AREAS | |
| SAAC | Skidmore |
| Athletic Communications | RIT |
| Athletic Training | Vassar |
| Senior Woman Administrators | Rochester |
| Compliance | Hobart and William Smith |

TABLE #2

Liberty League / NCAA Regional Advisory Committee (RAC) Representatives

The following individuals represent the Liberty League on NCAA Regional Advisory Committees. Individuals will be selected in a vote of their respective sport committees to serve 3-year terms. All terms expire Sept. 1 of the year listed.

| Sport | RAC Representative | Term Expires |
|--------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|
| Field Hockey | Sophie Riskie, William Smith | 9/1/2026 |
| Football | Dan Puckhaber, St. Lawrence | 9/1/2027 |
| Men's Soccer | Franco Bari, St. Lawrence | 9/1/2028 |
| Women's Soccer | Zac Shaw, Clarkson | 9/1/2027 |
| Women's Volleyball | Annie DeLoid, Union | 9/1/2028 |
| Men's Basketball | Jeff Gorski, Clarkson | 9/1/2026 |
| Women's Basketball | Melissa Kuberka, RIT | 9/1/2028 |
| Baseball | Ron Plourde, Skidmore | 9/1/2026 |
| Men's Golf | Matt McGarvey, RPI | 9/1/2026 |
| Women's Golf | Jackie Beck, Wellesley | 9/1/2026 |
| Men's Lacrosse | John McCreery, Vassar | 9/1/2027 |
| Women's Lacrosse | Alyssa Treanor, Union | 9/1/2027 |
| Women's Rowing | Paul Bugenhagen, William Smith | 9/1/2026 |
| Softball | Amber Maisonet, Rensselaer | 9/1/2026 |
| Men's Tennis | Peter Fisher, Skidmore | 9/1/2028 |
| Women's Tennis | Mari Mitchell, Ithaca | 9/1/2028 |

TABLE #3

Liberty League Championship & Tournament Awards

| SPORT | Men | Women | Individual/Event Awards | Team Awards |
|---------------------|------------|--------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|
| Cross Country | X | X | Medal | X |
| Field Hockey | | X | | X |
| Football | X | | | X |
| Golf | X | X | Trophy | X |
| Soccer | X | X | | X |
| Volleyball | | X | | X |
| Basketball | X | X | | X |
| Swimming & Diving | X | X | Medal | X |
| Squash | X | X | | X |
| Indoor Track/Field | X | X | Medal | X |
| Baseball | X | | | X |
| Softball | | X | | X |
| Lacrosse | X | X | | X |
| Tennis | X | X | | X |
| Rowing | X | X | Medal | X |
| Outdoor Track/Field | X | X | Medal | X |

TABLE #4

Liberty League Weekly Awards. The following awards are presented on a weekly basis and will be in the form of a Liberty League certificate that will be lettered by the Sports Information office of the respective recipients.

| <i>AWARD</i> | <i>Player of the Week / Boat of the Week</i> | <i>Rookie of the Week</i> | <i>Offensive Player of the Week</i> | <i>Defensive Player of the Week</i> | <i>Special Teams Player of the Week</i> | <i>Athletes of the Week</i> | <i>Swimmer of the Week</i> | <i>Diver of the Week</i> | <i>Track Athlete of the Week</i> | <i>Field Athlete of the Week</i> | <i>Pitcher of the Week</i> |
|---------------|--|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|-----------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|
| SPORT | | | | | | | | | | | |
| FALL | | | | | | | | | | | |
| CC | X | X | | | | | | | | | |
| FTBL | | X | X | X | X | | | | | | |
| FHOC | | X | X | X | | | | | | | |
| SOCC | | X | X | X | | | | | | | |
| VOLL | X | X | | | | | | | | | |
| WINTER | | | | | | | | | | | |
| BSKB | X | X | | | | | | | | | |
| SWIM/DV | | X | | | | | X | X | | | |
| IT&F | | X | | | | | | | X | X | |
| SQUA | X | X | | | | | | | | | |
| SPRING | | | | | | | | | | | |
| BASE | X | X | | | | | | | | | X |
| SOFT | X | X | | | | | | | | | X |
| ROW | X | | | | | | | | | | |
| GOLF | X | X | | | | | | | | | |
| MLAX | | X | X | X | | | | | | | |
| WLAX | | X | X | X | | | | | | | |
| TENN | X | X | | | | X* | | | | | |
| OT&F | | X | | | | | | | X | X | |

* Tennis shall consist of a Singles Performer of the Week and Doubles Team of the Week. (5/14)

TABLE #5

Liberty League End of Season Awards. The respective recipients of the following awards will receive a Liberty League award.

| <i>AWARD</i> | <i>Player of the Year / Boat of the Year</i> | <i>Rookie of the Year</i> | <i>Offensive Player of the Year</i> | <i>Defensive Player of the Year</i> | <i>Special Teams Player of the Year</i> | <i>Diver of the Year</i> | <i>Swimmer of the Year</i> | <i>Track Athlete of the Year</i> | <i>Field Athlete of the Year</i> | <i>Pitcher of the Year</i> | <i>Coaching Staff of the Year</i> |
|---------------------|---|----------------------------------|--|--|--|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---|---|-----------------------------------|--|
| SPORT | | | | | | | | | | | |
| FALL | | | | | | | | | | | |
| CC | X | X | | | | | | | | | X |
| FTBL | | | X | X | X | | | | | | X |
| FHOC | | X | X | X | | | | | | | X |
| SOCC | X | X | | X | | | | | | | X |
| VOLL | X | X | | | | | | | | | X |
| WINTER | | | | | | | | | | | |
| BSKB | X | X | | X | | | | | | | X |
| SWIM/DV | | X | | | | X | X | | | | X |
| IT&F | | X | | | | | | X | X | | X |
| SQUA | X | X | | | | | | | | | X |
| SPRING | | | | | | | | | | | |
| BASE | X | X | | | | | | | | X | X |
| SOFT | X | X | | | | | | | | X | X |
| ROW | X | | | | | | | | | | X |
| GOLF | X | X | | | | | | | | | X |
| MLAX | | X | X | X | | | | | | | X |
| WLAX | X | X | | X | | | | | | | X |
| TENN | X | X | | | | | | | | | X |
| OT&F | | X | | | | | | X | X | | X |

(5/24)