

## General Intramural Rules

### **Participation**

1. All Shawnee State students, faculty, and staff are eligible to participate in the Shawnee State University Intramural Program. All participants must present a valid SSU ID prior to participating.
2. Teams may have on their roster no more than two former or current (or one of each) SSU varsity members, including ineligible and/or red shirt players. This only applies to that sport, or related sport, in which the athlete participates (i.e. no more than two SSU soccer players may play on one intramural soccer team, yet three basketball players could play on one soccer team.)
3. An ineligible participant is one who does not meet all eligibility requirements, uses an assumed name, has been suspended from intramural participation, or violates any of the following:
  - ➔ A player can play on only one team in any intramural sport;
  - ➔ Once a player enters a game for a given time, he/she is on that team and cannot change to a different team.

Teams may not play ineligible players, even by mutual agreement. Teams playing ineligible players forfeit each game played with that player. It is the team captain's responsibility to make sure his/her teammates do not play on another team.

4. Players may not use an assumed name or someone else's ID or student number. Anyone found playing under an assumed name or ID shall be suspended from participation for the remainder of the season. A second violation shall result in suspension from all intramural activities for the remainder of the semester. A third violation results in suspension from intramural activities for one year.

### **Team Sports Entry Procedures**

1. To enter a Team in an intramural sport, you must do the following:
  - a. Designate a team captain;
  - b. Submit TEAM entry form, roster, on or before the entry deadline;
  - c. Have at least one team member (preferably the team captain) attend the captain's meeting for that sport.
2. Individuals may enter a team sport as a free agent. The Intramural coordinator will attempt to place the individual on a team, however, placement is not guaranteed.  
Free agents must complete the INDIVIDUAL ENTRY FORM and attend the captain's meeting.
3. Each team's captain will serve as a liaison between the IM office and members of his/her team.

**The following will be used as guidelines for unsportsmanlike penalties, technical fouls, ejections, and disciplinary action.**

- A. No player, captain, or spectator shall:
  - 1) Use abusive language or physically or verbally threaten any spectator, player, or IM staff member before, during, or after a contest;
  - 2) Disrespectfully address a game official, umpire, or supervisor. ONLY the team captain may address game officials concerning the interpretation of a rule;
  - 3) Intentionally strike a player, spectator, or IM official. Unnecessary physical contact is considered fighting and is cause for immediate ejection;
  - 4) Mistreat the facilities, equipment, or supplies of the Intramural department;
  - 5) Use or be under the influence of alcohol or other illicit drugs on campus property.  
Abuse of this rule is cause for immediate ejection.
- B. Penalties and Discipline for unsportsmanlike behavior
  - 1) Any player, manager, or spectator ejected from a game will be ineligible to participate in the next scheduled game;
  - 2) Any individual verbally or physically abusing or threatening a player, official, or spectator shall be barred from participation for one year at the time of the infraction;
  - 3) Any individual mistreating or damaging the facilities or equipment shall be held liable for all repairs and replacements;
  - 4) Extreme unsportsmanlike conduct will be handled on a case-by-case basis.

### **Intramural Officials**

Intramural events will be officiated by Shawnee State University students. The student officials are not professionals. Participants should compete with this understanding. Officials are trained and must show competent understanding of all rules and regulations. Questions or concerns about intramural officials should be directed to the IM coordinator or Supervisor.

### **Warning**

There are inherent risks of physical and mental injury in all sports and activities. Shawnee State University's goals are to eliminate as many risks as possible. However, injuries may still occur. Participants are expected to cooperate fully and completely in regards to proper conduct, use of equipment and facilities, and adherence to the rules of participation. Participants are responsible for any injuries that may occur. It is highly recommended that all participants have adequate health insurance. Health insurance can be secured through the Bursar's Office.