

## Section 11: Participant Eligibility-General

- 11.1) Only currently enrolled CNU students and faculty or staff enrolled in or employed by the University (full-time, part-time; graduate assistants eligible, volunteers ineligible), shall be eligible to participate in intramural sports.
- 11.2) CNU alumni are not allowed to participate in intramural sports.
- 11.3) Spouses of CNU students, faculty and staff are not allowed to participate in intramural sports unless they meet policy 11.1.
- 11.4) **Captain's Card**-All participants must present a valid Captain's Card also known as the CNU ID card (ID) before each intramural game. The ID must have a visible picture and the name and ID number must be visible to the intramural staff. If the intramural staff member cannot distinguish the picture, name or ID number, the participant will be turned away. Furthermore, ID cards must have current semester stickers on them. If no current semester sticker is present, the participant will be turned away.
  - 11.4)1. The ID should remain on-site for the duration of the game. Participants will otherwise be considered ineligible.
  - 11.4)2. The ID card is the only identification accepted by the intramural staff. **NO EXCEPTIONS.**
  - 11.4)3. If an intramural staff member determines that an individual is attempting to check-in with false identification in order to participate in an intramural contest, the ID will be confiscated and that individual will not be allowed to play.
  - 11.4)4. If the intramural staff determines that the team captain was aware of the individual's use of improper identification, then that team will forfeit their game and subsequently be removed from further competition.
  - 11.4)5. Any individual who has played or attempts to play using an invalid or false ID card will immediately be suspended from all intramural activities. This individual's case will be forwarded to the Center for Honor Enrichment and Community Standards. Further involvement by that individual's team will be reviewed on a case by case basis.
  - 11.4)6. **The intramural staff cannot and will not allow anyone to play without the proper identification. Regarding ID use, the decision of the intramural staff on-site is final. No appeals regarding ID use will be accepted.**
- 11.5) Male participants may play on one men's team and one coed team per sport.
- 11.6) Female participants may play on one women's team or one men's team (but not both) and one coed team per sport.
- 11.6)1. A player found to be playing on two teams (one of those not being coed) in the same sport will be suspended from play in that sport for the remainder of the semester (further suspensions may be given at the discretion of the intramural staff).

## Section 12: Eligibility of Collegiate Athletes

- 12.1) Current CNU Varsity athletes are not eligible in their respective sports (or intramural congruent sport or event) during the academic year in which they are playing. Current being defined as "any person who is on any active roster(s) for Christopher Newport University athletics."
  - 12.1)1. Current CNU Varsity athletes are eligible to play intramural sports outside of their congruent sport (see below for reference). There is no limit on the number of current Varsity players on a team if outside of their congruent sport. **Please Note:** Rec. Services will not be held liable for any injury resulting from intramural play.
  - 12.1)2. **Former CNU Varsity athletes may participate in intramural sports. Former being defined as "any person who quits, uses a semester or more of intercollegiate eligibility, or their eligibility has expired (NCAA deems this for Division III athletes as 10 months or 15 quarters upon entry into school) and were on a varsity team at one point."**
  - 12.1)3. Former CNU Varsity athletes may participate and have an unlimited number of players on a team **only** when it's outside of their congruent sport.
  - 12.1)4. **Limitations regarding former Varsity athlete participation within their intramural congruent sport:**
    - Former Varsity = Limit 2 per team (in all leagues: men's women's and coed)
    - A former Varsity player will return to the "general" (see Section 11) intramural participant status after one full academic year (or two semesters) under the "former" Varsity athlete status.
    - **Example:** A Soccer player quits the team Fall 2009. They cannot play intramural soccer (indoor) Spring 2010. They can play intramural soccer (outdoor) Fall 2010 if they aren't on the active Varsity Soccer roster as a "former" Varsity athlete. Spring 2011 they will still be considered "former." Fall 2011 they will be considered a "general" intramural participant.
  - 12.1)5. **Congruent sports include, but are not limited to:**
    - Collegiate baseball and softball – any intramural softball related activity
    - Collegiate football – any intramural flag football related activity
    - Collegiate basketball – any intramural basketball related activity
    - Collegiate track and field/cross country – any intramural track and field related activity
    - Collegiate volleyball – any intramural volleyball related activity
    - Collegiate soccer – any intramural soccer related activity
    - Collegiate tennis – any intramural racquet activity

## Section 13: Eligibility of Christopher Newport University Sport Club Participants

- 13.1) **Team Sports** - Current sport club members may participate in their respective sport; however, a maximum of 2 are allowed per team in all sports and leagues (men's women's and coed).
- 13.1)1. **Individual or Dual Competitions** - may have only 1 sport club participant.

**Section 14: Eligibility of Olympic or Professional Athletes**

- 14.1) Current or former Olympic athletes are not eligible to compete in their respective sport(s).
- 14.1)1. Olympic athletes are considered individuals who competed for their country in the Olympics or World Championships, not the Olympic trials.
- 14.2) Current or former professional athletes are not eligible to compete in their respective sports.
- 14.2)1. Professional athletes are considered individuals if they were on an official roster in any North American (affiliated) professional sporting league. These leagues include, but are not limited to: National Football League, NFL Europe, Canadian Football League, Major League Baseball, National Hockey League, National Basketball Association, Women's National Basketball Association, Major Indoor Soccer League, Major League Soccer, Association of Volleyball Professionals, Professional Golf Association, Ladies Professional Golf Association, Women's Tennis Association, Association of Tennis Professionals, etc.
- 14.2)2. Participants who have been affiliated with other professional sport organizations around the world will be declared eligible for all intramural sports but should check their eligibility prior to participation.