

UW-La Crosse Intramural Sports

Team Name Policy

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Overview

One of the components that make Intramural Sports so unique is the opportunity for all teams to name themselves. There are, however, instances when questionable team names are used. Please follow the guidelines outlined in this form when naming your team.

Competitively Unfair Names

Team names deemed competitively unfair will be changed automatically. These names may not necessarily be offensive in-nature but may cause an unfair advantage when it comes to reading a schedule or competing in a fair manner. Some (but not all) of these names include:

“Team Bye Week”

“No Game”

“Away Team” or “Home Team”

“Team Spot Available”

“Cancelled”

Suggestively Inappropriate and Offensive Names

Team names **MAY NOT** reference items including (but not limited to):

- Sex and/or Gender Inequality
- Racial or Ethnic References
- Alcohol, Drugs and/or Other Substances
- Derogatory Use of Someone’s Likeness
- Physical Violence
- Inappropriate Social Behavior/Actions
- Inappropriate Innuendos
- Distasteful Cultural or Societal References

Duplicate Names

Having duplicate names means there are multiple teams with the same name within a league. Since leagues are broken into divisions (in some activities), some teams may have no way of knowing this. However, come playoff time, divisions are combined as leagues compete to crown a bracket champion.

In the event there are duplicate team names within a league, administration reserves the right to change a team name.

Example: “Team Awesome” may be changed to “Team Awesome (captain last name)”

Disclaimer

The goal of Intramural Sports is to provide a welcoming environment in a way that is safe, fair and fun for ALL involved. Team names violating one of these components will be changed and teams may not receive warning or notice about said change.

If administration questions any component of a team name, available resources will be used and if ANY signs indicating an inappropriate interpretation may be made of a name, the name will be changed regardless of a team’s intent of the use of the name. Approval of team names is at the discretion of administration and decisions are final.

IMLeagues will always automatically show your current teams, so in the event of a name change, it is suggested participants log in to view their current team name.

Lastly, it is NOT guaranteed administration will catch a team name violating these policies right away or at all. Names may be changed at any time, including playoffs.

THANK YOU FOR HELPING US CREATE A FUN ENVIRONMENT FOR ALL!

CONTACT US WITH ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS

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