

2007-08 WHAC HANDBOOK - WOMEN'S BASKETBALL RULES & REGULATIONS

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I. SEASON DEFINED

- A. WHAC basketball teams follow NAIA guidelines in regard to
 - 1. Number of contests - 30
 - 2. Number of scrimmages - 2

II. SCHEDULE

The league schedule will be devised by the conference scheduler and disseminated by the league President. The schedule is a double round-robin format. Each team will host every other WHAC school twice.

- A. Each WHAC school will follow double round robin format.
- B. Wednesday games will be played at 7:30 pm, Saturday games at 1:00 pm.

III. CHAMPIONSHIP DEFINED

- A. The team with the best WHAC record is declared the conference champion.
- B. Tournament winner receives an automatic bid to the NAIA national tournament.
- C. Seeding for post season tournament is based on regular season finish.
- D. If a tie exists, the following tie breaker system is used in this order
 - 1. Head to head competition between the teams tied
 - 2. Record against #1 seed, #2 seed, #3 seed, etc.
 - 3. Home winning percentage against common opponents
 - 4. Road winning percentage against common opponents
 - 5. Overall winning percentage
 - 6. Coin toss
 - 7. If more than two teams are tied, once one team is eliminated based on tie breakers, revert back and start process again from number one with remaining tied teams.
- E. Post Season WHAC tournament
 - 1. Will include all eight WHAC schools
 - 2. 1st round - #1 seed hosts #8, #2 seed hosts #7, #3 hosts #6, #4 hosts #5
 - 3. Semis - #1/#8 vs. winner of #4/#5, and #2/#7 winner vs. #3/#6 winner (at highest remaining seed)
 - 4. WHAC tournament final hosted by highest remaining seed
 - 5. Traveling teams are responsible for their own travel costs
 - 6. Host shall pay official fees
 - 7. 2008 Tournament dates: quarterfinals, Thursday, February 28; semi-finals, Saturday, March 1; Championship game, Tuesday, March 4.

IV. CONTEST PROCEDURES

- A. Officials assigned by Mike Smith (WHAC supervisor of officials)
 - 1. Mike Smith can be contacted via phone at (248) 543-4452, fax at (248) 543-4692 or e-mail at msmith627@hotmail.com
 - 2. Each conference school is responsible for providing their schedule to the assignor.
 - 3. Three officials will be assigned to all WHAC contests.
 - 4. Officials fees for the 2006-07 season will be \$145 per official per game.
- B. Home/Away schedule set by WHAC officials
- C. WHAC games shall be scheduled on Wednesdays and Saturdays
- D. WHAC schedule is seven weeks long, beginning the first full week of January
- E. HOME PASS LIST ONLY- Visitor pass list has been abolished
- F. Home Team responsibilities
 - 1. Supply balls (Rawlings composite Vision is allowed for game play), towels, and water
 - 2. Pay officials
 - 3. Provide phone and fax access
- G. A minimum of 20 minutes of warm-up time is required prior to the game
- H. Tape exchange/video taping procedures
 - 1. Coaches send opponent game tape request by November 17th
 - 2. Tape will be of game played prior to December 30, of that same season.
 - a) If game tape is requested before November 17th, tape shall be supplied by the requested date.
 - 3. Home team is responsible for taping all WHAC games.

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4. WHAC game tape should be dubbed and mailed the following day.
5. WHAC members MAY NOT video tape games in which a WHAC team is involved.

I. Scouting procedures

1. Hush policy on providing teams outside of the conference with information on WHAC schools.

J. Weather Issues

1. In case of weather effecting the ability to play a scheduled contest, the game shall be made up on the first available mutually acceptable date.

V. SPORTS INFORMATION

PLEASE REFER TO SPORTS INFORMATION GUIDELINES ON PAGES 15-16 OF THIS HANDBOOK

VI. ATHLETIC TRAINING

PLEASE REFER TO ATHLETIC TRAINING GUIDELINES ON PAGE 17 OF THIS HANDBOOK

VII. AWARDS

- A. A fifteen member All-WHAC Team will be chosen (Five first team, five second team, five third team)
 1. Each school is to nominate as many players as head coach feels are worthy of consideration.
 2. Open verbal discussion and stats shared on each player at the post season coaches meeting.
 3. Voting will be based upon discussion.
 4. Each school has one.
- B. A five member All-Defensive Team will be chosen in the same manor
- C. A five member Newcomer Team will be chosen in like manor, with highest vote getter chosen as WHAC Newcomer of the Year
- D. All Academic Team (juniors and seniors with minimum 3.25 cumulative GPA).
- E. A Coach of the Year shall be selected by a vote of all WHAC coaches.
- F. The WHAC will select weekly awards using the NAIA online submission form. Each school's submission should go through their SID office and be made no later than 9:00 am (ET) every Monday morning.
- G. Each school will select one member from their team for a WHAC Champions of Character team. Nominees should exhibit the five core values of respect, responsibility, integrity, servant leadership and sportsmanship.
7. Champions of Character Coach Award will be selected from among the conference head coaches as voted on at the All-Conference meeting.

VIII. TROPHY BREAKDOWN

- A. 1st Team All-Conference receive plaque (5), with exception of Player of the Year
- B. 2nd Team All-Conference receive plaque (5)
- C. Player of the Year receives separate plaque (1)
- D. Newcomer of the Year receives plaque (1)
- E. Coach of the Year receives plaque (1)
- F. 3rd team All-Conference/HM All-Conference/All-Academic & C of C receive certificates
- G. WHAC Regular Season Champion receives championship trophy (1).
- H. WHAC Tournament Champion receives tournament championship trophy (1).
- I. Team and individual awards will be distributed at WHAC tournament championship.
 1. Host of tournament championship is responsible to distribute awards.
 2. Awards will be supplied by WHAC office and distributed to host of event.