



CHARLES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION, PARKS AND TOURISM PS4 AND XBOX ONE MADDEN 20 LEAGUE GUIDELINES

I. THE LEAGUE:

- A. Mission** – To enhance the quality of life of our residents and visitors by providing well rounded recreational and competitive sports programs focusing on building a sense of community and improving the overall quality of life for current and future generations
- B. Philosophy** - The Charles County Madden 20 League is first and foremost a recreational esports league. The purpose of this league is to provide an opportunity for Charles County residents to participate in an organized Madden 20 League.
- C. Administration** - The tournament will operate under the jurisdiction of the Charles County Department of Recreation, Parks and Tourism. (All guidelines are subject to review and changes may be made at the discretion of the League Director.) Items not specifically listed in these guidelines will be decided upon by the League Director, and any questions or discrepancies should be directed to the League Director Tyler Roberts at robertmt@charlescountymd.gov.
- D. League Format** - Players will play round robin season.
 - a. Grace Period:** Players will have a 10-minute grace period to join the game within the scheduled game time. If a player does not arrive within the 10 minutes the game will be ruled a forfeit and the player who logged on to play during scheduled time will get the win. (Screen shot of proof will need to be submitted with time and date)

II. PLAYER RESPONSIBILITIES:

- A.** It is the players responsibility to:
 - a. Be the liaison between League Director.
 - b. Read all information pertaining to the tournament (rules, regulations, schedule, etc.).
 - c. Submit all scores to the League Director.
 - d. Follow the recreation philosophy

III. SUSPENSIONS:

- A.** Consequences for suspensions/ejections will be decided by the Recreation, Parks, and Tourism office based upon a 3 Tier system. If games are postponed or rescheduled, suspensions are indefinite until games are played.
 - 1. Tier One: 2 game Suspension**
 - a) A tier one offense may be issued to any player, parent, coach, or spectator based on the following criteria, which includes but is not limited to:
 - 1. Is ejected from a game or asked to leave a game or practice site by an official or Department of Recreation, Parks and Tourism staff member for harassment, obscene gestures or language, or any other unsportsmanlike behavior. The result of these actions may result in a 2 game suspension, effective immediately, starting with your teams next scheduled game.
 - 2. Any further ejections may result in suspension from the league.

3. Esports Specific - Any forms of cheating or use of a microphone.

2. Tier Two: Suspension for remainder of season

- a) Players may be suspended from the league and all Department of Recreation, Parks, and Tourism programs for the remainder of the season.
- b) A tier two offense may be issued, at the discretion of the League Director to any player, coach, or spectator based on the following criteria, which includes but is not limited to:
 1. Committing multiple tier one offenses within the same season.
 2. Strike, shove, bump, trip, or threaten an official, player, coach, spectator, Recreation, Parks, and Tourism staff member or league official during or after a game, on Charles County Community Center, Public School, or Park property.
 3. Use of a microphone to harass or threaten another player.
 4. Sending harassing or threatening messages to another player.

3. Tier Three: 2 Year Suspension

- a) Anyone involved in a tier 3 offense may be suspended from the league and all Department of Recreation, Parks, and Tourism programs for a minimum of two years.
- b) A tier three offense may be issued, with discretion from the League Director, to any player, parent, coach, or spectator based on the following criteria, which includes but is not limited to:
 1. Committing multiple tier one or tier two offenses with a year of previous offenses.
 2. Is involved in a severe incident that displays excessive or relentless disobedience of our mission, including but not limited to; harassment, fighting, or conduct with intent to harm an official, player, coach, spectator, Recreation, Parks, and Tourism staff member or league official during or after a game, on Charles County Community Center, Public School, or Park Property.

IV. TOURNAMENT ELIGIBILITY:

- A.** This is a **FREE** tournament offered by Charles County Recreation, Parks and Tourism.
- B.** Each player must be registered to participate in the league.
- C.** Players may play with only one team in the league. Any violation of this rule will result in forfeiture of all games played by the player committing the infraction.
- D.** **When registering for the league you must select your team. Players MUST use the current in game rosters.**

- E. Out of County Players: Non-residents are welcome to participate, however, in the circumstance where a division has reached a full capacity of teams, rosters with Charles County citizens may be given priority.
- F. All participants must play in the proper age divisions.
 - a. Division I: 11-Year-Old – 17-Year-Old
 - i. **Must be registered by an adult**
 - b. Division II: 18+

V. Tournament Format

- A. Four tournaments will be offered:
 - a. Xbox One: 11-year-old – 17-year-old & 18+
 - b. Play Station 4: 11-year-old – 17-year-old & 18+
- B. Max number of players per league is sixteen (16).
- C. Players will play round robin season and be seeded into a two game guarantee elimination tournament at the end of the season based off league play standings.
- D. League schedules can be found on www.CharlesCountyParks.com and League Republic
- E. **Game times will be at 7:00 pm.**
- F. **Grace Period:** Players will have a 10-minute grace period to join the game within the scheduled game time. If a player does not arrive within the 10 minutes the game will be ruled a forfeit and the player who logged on to play during scheduled time will get the win. Screen shot of proof will need to be submitted with time and date.

VI. LEAGUE RULES:

- A. Players must add the opponent to their friends list via their Gamertag (Xbox) or PSN ID (PlayStation). Both will launch the game and enter the “Exhibition” on the main menu, select “Online Head to Head” and select “Play With A Friend”. Invite one another to the game and begin game.
- B. Quarter Length: 6 minutes
- C. Play Clock: 40 seconds (default, cannot change)
- D. Skill Level: All-Madden
- E. Weather: Clear
- F. Accelerated Clock: Off
- G. Game Speed: Normal
- H. Game Style: Competitive
- I. Event Type: Quick Presentation
- J. Onside Kicks: **Onside kicks are not allowed in the first half.** A Competitor may attempt an onside kick at any time in the 2nd half.
- K. Excessive Offsides: Neither the offense nor defense should purposefully go offsides with the intent of delaying the game nor exhibiting unsportsmanlike conduct. Intent is at the sole discretion of the tournament administration.
- L. **NO MICROPHONES!**

VII. GAMING PLATFORM/EQUIPMENT:

- A. Play Station Four or Xbox One

- B. Controller
- C. Internet Access (Xbox Live/PlayStation Network)
- D. Madden 20 with latest update.

VIII. FORFEITURE/PROTESTS:

- A. Players who fail to field a team two consecutive games may be suspended from the league (determined by the league director).
- B. **Cheating of any kind will not be tolerated. If you believe that these rules have been violated please submit video clips via email to the League Director.** If it was found that the rules were violated the game will be forfeited the violator will be eliminated.
- C. Anyone eliminated via forfeit may not participate in any Charles County Recreation, Parks and Tourism Esports Leagues until speaking with League Director before future tournaments.

IX. Tie Break Procedures:

- A. The tie break procedures will only be used if players are tied in pool play (identical number of points accumulated for wins/losses/ties):
 - a. Win/Loss record in head to head competition.
 - b. Points against
 - c. Coin Flip

XI. GAME RESULTS POLICY:

- A. At the completion of each game, both players need to photograph the final score and email them to the league coordinator at **RobertMT@charlescountymd.gov.**