



Wildcard Player Participation Policy

Intramural Sport Program Wildcard Purpose: To establish a guideline for teams who cannot play competitively due to not having the minimum number of participants at game time, thus, avoiding a forfeit and forfeit fee.

Wildcard Definition: Any current UK Student/Faculty/Staff member or valid BCTC Student/Faculty/Staff member who is acquired at game time to avoid a forfeit or during the game to play competitively.

Administration of the Wildcard Policy:

The UK Intramural Sport Program reserve to the right to change, modify or cancel this rule at the league, team and/or participate-level at any time during the season if the staff determines the spirit or intent of the rule has been misused, abused or no longer effective.

How Wildcard Player (s) Works:

1. Any team may pick up free agent (s) (person without a team and wanting to play) **OR** currently rostered player (s) from another team in the same Co-Rec, Men's or Women's League to play for their team to avoid forfeit and play competitively.
2. Teams who have ***less than the required minimum number of player (s) at game time = Wildcard***
3. **Teams may only add enough Wildcards to meet the standard number of players for the game.**

Team and Wildcard Eligibility:

1. **Wildcard use applies to teams that DO NOT have enough current rostered players signed in at game time**
2. **Teams MUST have at least one (1) rostered player checked in at game time to avoid a forfeit (10 minute rule)**
3. **Teams MUST have at least one (1) rostered player on the court/field at all times**
4. **Teams CANNOT use Wildcard player (s) for bench/alternate players or try to fill a roster**
5. **A free agent who is a Wildcard player (s) will automatically be added to first team in which they played**
6. **Teams are responsible for the sportsmanship/actions of entire team including added Wildcard player (s)**
7. **An ejected Wildcard player (s) CANNOT be replaced by another Wildcard player (s)**
8. **Teams may pick up enough Wildcard player (s) to fill gender requirements at game time**
9. **Gender and Player Clarifications: Teams may use specific Wildcard player (s) to fill requirements**
 - a. **Single Gender League (Men's and Women's): Flag Football Example**
 - i. **To avoid a forfeit: Women's Team A has 4 players at game time**
 1. Team A is allowed 1 female to meet 5 player requirement to avoid a forfeit
 - ii. **In order to meet the 7 players requirement to play competitively:**
 1. Team A can add 2 Wildcard players to play competitively
 - b. **Co-Rec League: Flag Football Example**
 - i. **To avoid a forfeit: Co-Rec Team A has 4 players = 2 males & 2 female at game time**
 1. Team A is allowed 1 female Wildcard OR 1 male Wildcard to meet 5 player requirement
 - ii. **In order to meet the 8 player requirement to play competitively:**
 1. Based on having 5 players = 3 men and 2 women
 - a. Team A can add either 1 man and 2 women
 2. Based on having 5 players = 2 men and 3 women
 - a. Team A can add 2 men and 1 women
10. **Greek Leagues: Only current and active Greek members may participate**
 - a. **Wildcard player (s) CANNOT play in the Greek league (Fraternity A or Sorority A) that earn Greek Points**
 - b. **Wildcard player (s) can play in all other leagues (Fraternity B – H or Sorority B - H)**
11. **When a currently rostered player (s) signs in, a corresponding Wildcard player (s) must sign out and stop playing**
12. **Teams may NOT use the Wildcard during the playoffs or special event**