

Team Reps:

As you prepare for the 17-18 season, here is are some reminders to make sure you remaining good standing with the ACHA.

Start of the Season Checklist

1. Eligibility Form
 - Download Fall 2017 eligibility form,
 - Correctly fill out eligibility form, signature sheet, and transfer form(if needed)
 - Submit to Registrar,
 - Send a scanned copy and paper copy sent to addresses at the bottom of the form
2. Pay ACHA dues (see attached invoice)
3. Complete Website requirements
 - Post schedule
 - up to date roster
 - coaching staff w/emails listed on main team page.

Reminders for Eligibility form

You will use the form marked Fall 2017. You are encouraged to complete these forms as soon as possible, while the form is not actually due until October 31st, you must comply with all ACHA and Division 3 eligibility rules and regulations.

It is acceptable to email a scanned copy of the completed form but you will still need the original completed form to be mailed to the Commissioner and the Compliance Coordinator and post marked no later than October 31. Any teams using ineligible players will be subject to game(s) vacated, team membership suspension, post-season suspension, etc.

If you have any transfer students, fill out the transfer form as well and return it with the above eligibility form.

Any teams not meeting the October 31 deadline, **WILL NOT BE ELIGIBLE FOR THE NATIONAL TOURNAMENT OR POST SEASON ACADEMIC HONORS.**

Players from the Spring 2017 semester that were not eligible to play may play this Fall, provided they meet all of the current eligibility standards.

Players that will become ineligible after this semester's fall grades are posted, are not allowed to play after December 31.

If you do not expect to see your completed eligibility form before your first game this fall, I would urge you, as coaches, to take the initiative and require your players to show you their grade reports from the fall semester. Every one of your players has access to their grades. "I didn't know, doesn't cut it."

For all players that are returning and played in the spring semester, they must have the following:

1. Men's Division 3 student-athlete shall be enrolled in a program of study leading to an associates baccalaureate, masters, or doctoral degree as determined by the regulations of the university or college. Men's Division 3 student-athletes shall be degree seeking according to that school's definition of degree seeking and carry a minimum credit requirement of nine (9) semester hours (or the equivalent quarter hours) for undergraduates and six(6) semester hours (or equivalent

- quarter hours) for master or doctoral candidates .
2. **Pass** 9 credits taken and passed in Spring 2017
 3. Have an overall cumulative GPA of 2.00 (any player in his first year of collegiate hockey does not have to meet this requirement until the end of year #1). Any questions about this, ask me.
 4. Players in their final academic semester/quarter prior to graduation are not required to meet the required semester/quarter 9 credit hour requirement.
 5. You will need to submit a signature sheet with all players signatures on it.
 6. If you have any transfers that played for another school last season, you must fill out the transfer form.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Thanks,
David Kurtz
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Information for 2017-2018 Season

Below you will find out items that will help you prepare for the upcoming season. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Dave Kurtz, m3commissioner@achahockey.org

ACHA General Meeting

- The National Tournaments for all divisions will again be held in Columbus, OH. Three different rinks in the area will host the tournaments.
- Chris Van Timmeren was elected to continue to serve as the USA Hockey Rep.
- Paul Hebert was elected for another term as ACHA Exec. Board President.
- ACHA has experienced 6% growth in teams over the last three seasons
- Total ACHA teams: 520
- ACHA will continue with Pointstreak for additional. year. Blue Star has bought both Pointstreak and Goal line (former vendor) so historical data will be able to put on the site.
- New options for website next year: Admin control of full schedule and rosters. Quick scoring of games

Division 3 Breakout Session

- The 2017-2018 season will be the first year of computerized rankings in Division 3. Intradivisional games (D3 vs. D3) will be the only games that will count in rankings.
- ACHA Ref-in-Chief indicated that there were not major points of emphasis that the NCAA will focus on.
- The All Star Challenge was discussed and will happen again at the Ice Line Quad Rinks in West Chester, PA. on April 13-15, 2018
- Tournament Pools were drawn and will be updated in the D3 policy section of the ACHA Manual

Other Information

- Ref in Chief would like to remind all programs that the ACHA has a point of emphasis when it comes to head contact.
- For the 2017-2018 season, any player who has played 4 years of ACHA D1 hockey has exhausted their ACHA eligibility.
- Regionals will be 2/23-2/24, 2018. Nationals will be 3/13-3/18, 2018

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Invoice

Date	Invoice #
7/13/2017	2465

Bill To

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P.O. Number	Terms	Rep	Ship	Via	F.O.B.	Project
	Due Sept 30		7/13/2017			

Quantity	Item Code	Description	Price Each	Amount
	M3 Dues	ACHA Dues, Men's Division 3, 2017-2018 . Remit check to address above Pay via ACH – Routing: ABA 021052053 Acct: 12485088 Pay via credit card: www.shopacha.com (convenience fee applied) EIN: 86-0818150	1,500.00	1,500.00

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