



MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY Campus Recreation Intramural Sports

SPORTS TRIVIA RULES HANDOUT

ELIGIBILITY RULES:

1. You must have a MTSU ID to participate. NO ID, NO PLAY...NO EXCEPTIONS!
2. No Person shall play on more than one single sex and co-rec team per sport. If caught doing so by supervisor or official, Player shall be suspended for remainder of season and that game shall be forfeited. Opposing team does not have to protest if caught by supervisor or official.
3. No person shall use false identification in order to participate. If caught, person will be suspended from Intramural Sports and possibly Campus Recreation activities for a period of time determined by the Associate Director of Intramurals, Sport Clubs, and Wellness.

THE GAME:

1. **Game Location:** Sports trivia will be held in the Campus Recreation Center.
2. **Teams:** Team will consist of 4 players, but a team may participate with 2 individuals.
3. **Game:** Games will consist of two 10 minute rounds and a final round.

THE RULES:

- Each round shall consist of five categories with five questions of increasing levels of difficulty in each category. Point values will increase with the difficulty level of the question. Point values will double in the second round.
- A coin flip will determine which team selects the first category in round one. The team with the fewest points shall select first in round two. If tied, the team which did not select the first category in round one will select first in round two.
- All questions will be toss-up questions in which any player may buzz-in to answer. The person who signals that he/she wants to answer the question must answer within 5 seconds of recognition by the scorekeeper without conferring with his/her teammates.
- The question will be stated by the moderator. **Players may NOT buzz in until the moderator finishes reading the question.**



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- Each contestant shall place his or her finger or hand on the buzzer at the start of the question. When a contestant wishes to answer a Toss-Up Question, they should depress the buzzer. The scorekeeper will indicate who signaled first. The decision of the scorekeeper shall be final. Contestants must wait until recognized by the scorekeeper to answer. If the improper contestant answers a question, that team shall be penalized the point value of the question and will lose its opportunity to answer the question.
- Following an incorrect response, the opposing team will have an opportunity to buzz in. The team which buzzed in may not respond again to this question.
- Following a correct response, the team member who answered correctly will select the next category and point value. The team member may consult with teammates on category selection for no more than 5 seconds.
- If neither team answers the Toss-Up Question correctly, play will continue with the team who had the last correct response selecting another category / point value.
- The moderator will judge the accuracy of the response to each question and tell the scorekeeper how to record it. The decision of the moderator shall be final.
- A contestant may complete his/her answer to the question asked immediately preceding the expiration of the 10-minute time period for a round.
- The final round will consist of one question chosen from a category at random by the moderator. Teams will be informed of the category and will have 2 minutes to discuss their answer once the question has been asked. At this time the team will also determine amongst themselves the point value they will wager on the final question. After 2 minutes have expired, each team will must write their answer and the point total on the index card they have been provided. The moderator will then re-read the question, inform the teams of the correct answer, and provide both teams answers and point values wagered.
- The scorekeeper will record the running total points for each team on a board visible to all contestants.

SCORING:

- Point values for each question vary and are displayed on the categorical board visible for each team. A correct response earns the team the assigned number of points. An incorrect response results in a deduction of the same assigned number of points. It is possible for a team to have a negative score at the end of the game.