

GRAND VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY **RECREATION**

NOTE: Forfeits do not just affect your team. They also affect the other team who showed up and was ready to play, as well as the staff that is on site for your game. Please default your games if you know you will not have enough people to participate, out of respect of the GVSU community that is impacted. This is why we charge a forfeit fee.

SECTION 6: Defaults

Article 1: Default Policy

Any team knowing in advance that they will be unable to play a regularly scheduled contest is provided the opportunity to default (not play this contest). In order for the contest to be considered a default, a team member must contact the Campus Recreation Office by 4:00PM the day of the contest. Weekend requests must be made by 4:00PM the Friday before. Team captain's may call or email to default their game. Please include the team name, captain name and sport when contacting us about a default.

- Defaults during the regular season will not count as a loss if the contest would have been canceled due to inclement weather or unsafe playing conditions.
- Defaults during the playoffs will not count as a loss if the contest would have been canceled due to inclement weather or unsafe playing conditions and rescheduled. If either team cannot make the rescheduled contest, they will need to submit a new default form.

Article 2: Default vs. Forfeit

A team that legally defaults will receive a loss in the league standings, not a forfeit.

SECTION 7: Forfeits

Article 1: Types of Forfeits

Forfeits will be classified based on the following:

- No-show: Team does not have the required number of players to participate as of the scheduled game time.
- Eligibility: Game results in forfeit due the ineligibility of one or more players. Ineligibility may be due to a player having been previously ejected or ruled ineligible for sportsmanship-related issue, etc. at time of game.
- Sportsmanship: Game is ended by staff for sportsmanship-related reasons. Teams dropping below 2.75 Sportsmanship rating in the playoffs will also forfeit any contest.

Article 2: Game Time

Game time is listed on the IMLeagues.com website. The location of the official clock will be kept by the student supervisor staff for that evening. Any team failing to report to participate at the scheduled starting time may forfeit to their opponent. If both teams fail to report to participate, each team shall be credited with a no-show forfeit and the game shall not be rescheduled.

Article 3: Grace Period

All teams will be given a 5 minute grace period after game time to get enough players checked in to play. If a team does not have enough players at the end of that five minutes, the game will be declared a forfeit.

Article 4: Limit of Forfeits and Forfeit Fee

A team that receives a forfeit for any reason will be charged a \$30 forfeit fee that must be paid one day prior to playoff selection. A team may elect not to pay the fee and will be disqualified from participation in the playoff tournament.

A team that receives two forfeits will be removed from the league and is ineligible for playoff participation.