

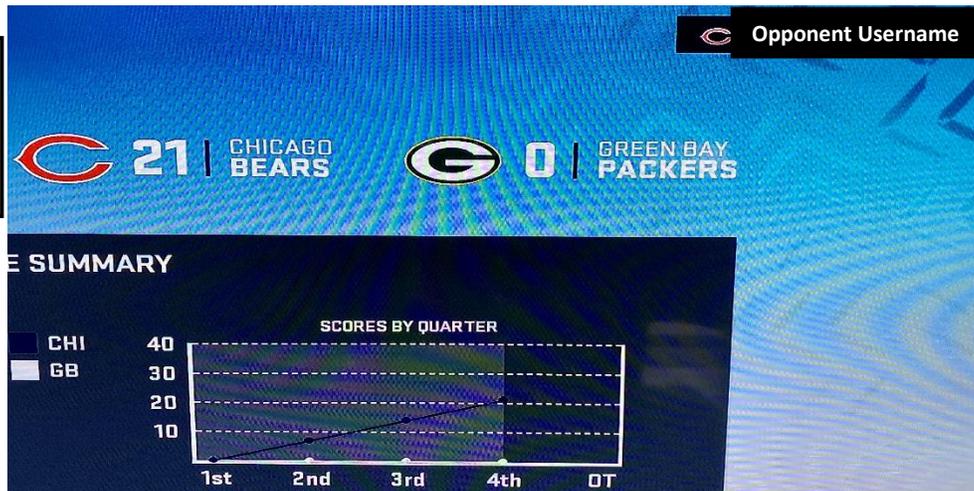
# Online Madden 20™ Tournament Rules & Guidelines

The following are the official rules of the New Lenox Community Park District, Madden 20™ Tournament. Any issues that arise which are not covered within the current rules will be settled at the discretion of the Recreation Supervisor. Rules may be added or modified if deemed necessary.

## Basics:

- To participate in this tournament, players must have the following equipment:
  - Xbox One or PlayStation 4 console connected to the internet with an online subscription.
  - 1 controller
  - Gamer Username (Gamertag/PSN Online ID)
  - TV or monitor
  - Madden 20™ game
  - Access to communicate on the application, Discord
- By participating in this tournament, you agree to share your Gamer Username with the rest of the participants in the tournament. Your first name or Gamer ID will also be used on the Discord™ Communication app and the New Lenox Community Park District Team Sideline website for the game schedule and tournament updates.
- Once registration is closed and the number of participants has been determined, the tournament layout will be emailed to all participants. See rule 21 for details on possible Tournament Layouts.
- Communication for the tournament will be held on the Discord app. See rules 16-20 for details on the tournament communication.
- Upon completion of the game, each player must take a picture of the final score and indicate what team you were. This picture then must be posted on the Discord group chat.

The picture at the end of the game should look like this!



## Gameplay:

- Before playing your game, each player must add each other as a “friend” on their console.
- To set up your game, load Madden 20™ on your device and follow these steps:
  - Select Exhibition
  - Online Head to Head
  - Play A Friend
  - Select the opponent you are scheduled to play
  - Create Game
  - Edit Game Settings (Settings are listed in rule 15)
  - Send Game Invite
  - Select your team
  - Ready Up!
- Players can choose to be any of the 32 NFL Teams.
- Games must be played with the most up to date Madden 20™ rosters.

10. **Players can't be the same team twice throughout the tournament.** The Recreation Supervisor will keep a record of what teams have been used with the final score on the Game Schedule.
  - If a player is found using the same team twice, they will forfeit the game.
11. A player can pick the same team as the opponent.
12. Games ending in a forfeit will have a final score of 28-0
13. Players are strongly discouraged from quitting out of matches during play. If a player intentionally disconnects from the game, the game will be considered a forfeit.
14. If a player unintentionally disconnects from the game and is not able to reconnect to the game, the following will happen:
  - **Disconnected any time before 2 minutes left in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter:**
    - a) If a team is winning by 28 or more points and the losing team disconnects, then the game will be considered complete.
    - b) If a team is winning by 28 or more points and the winning team disconnects, then follow option "c".
    - c) If a team is not winning by 28 or more points: players will restart the game and then work together to manually adjust all aspects of the game to match (or closest to) the point of the disconnect. These aspects include, game time, score, timeouts and if a player reached their "X-Factor".
  - **Disconnected under the last 2 minutes of the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter:** Game will be considered complete. If the game is tied, then the two players will restart the game and it will act as an "Overtime". The player winning after the first quarter will be declared the winner. If the game is still tied, this scenario will continue until there is a player winning at the end of a quarter.

#### Game Settings:

15. Games will be played with the following game settings:
  - Fatigue: ON
  - Injuries: OFF
  - Even Team: OFF
  - Quarter Length: 6 Minutes
  - Game Skill: ALL-PRO
  - Accelerated Clock: 20 Seconds
  - Weather: ON

#### Communication:

16. The Recreation Supervisor will send an email prior to the start of the tournament for all of the tournament details. The rest of the communication will be through the Discord app.
17. At the beginning of the tournament, the Recreation Supervisor will invite you to join the Discord group chat.
18. Players must communicate with each other on the Discord app for an agreed game time.
19. For instructions on how to use the Discord app, see the "Discord Basics" document sent by the Recreation Supervisor.
20. It is strongly discouraged for players to "party up" during the game to prevent players talking to each other before, during and after the game.

#### Tournament Layout:

21. The Tournament layout will be determined based on the number of participants registered by the deadline. Here are the different tournaments that may be played:
  - Single Elimination
  - Double Elimination
  - Round Robin
  - Pool Play
22. No matter the tournament format, each "team" is guaranteed at least two games.

23. Seeding and Home/Away will be decided randomly.
24. This schedule will be posted on the New Lenox Community Park District Team Sideline website.
- [www.teamsideline.com/sites/newlenoxparks/home](http://www.teamsideline.com/sites/newlenoxparks/home)

### **Finally, each player must abide by the Esports – Player Code of Conduct!**

#### **Esports – Player Code of Conduct**

*Esports should be an open and welcoming environment, where all parties involved feel safe, have fun and develop their skills. To create such an environment, we need to take personal responsibility for how we behave toward other players. By following the rules set out below, we make the Esports environment a safe and fun place for everyone.*

As an Esports player, I adhere to the rules below:

- I will not use any profane language, nicknames or other expressions that would insult another player.
- I will not use language that refers to sexual violence or other violence.
- I will not taunt the other player and I will show good sportsmanship before, during, and after the game.
- I will respect the game being played and control my temper.

Failure to comply will result in disciplinary actions being taken to resolve the issue. Actions may include but are not limited to verbal warnings, automatic forfeits and or suspensions. Incidents will be handled how staff deems appropriate based on the severity of the incident.