



2019 TOURNAMENT FORMAT:

To maximize the amount of playing time for each team we have decided to divide the teams into 3 conferences and have a round robin tournament in each-- guaranteeing each team four games.

The top two teams in each conference will move on to the Quarter Finals. Two other teams will be selected based on the best records (overall winning percentage) of the remaining teams. "Ties" will be determined accordingly:

1. The team with the best winning percentage.
2. The team with the most overall points.
3. If still a tie, the team with the largest combined margin of victory advances
4. If still a tie, the team with the most points in any single game advances
5. If still a tie, one member from each team will compete in a sudden death free throw contest.

Game schedule will be provided through the August Madness website and at the Draft, as well as on the floor at PNC Arena throughout the day. All updates will be done on the floor at PNC Arena.

GAMES SPECIFICS AND RULES:

1. Games are played on a shortened court (50 feet)
2. Games will be 5 on 5
3. Hoops will be a 10 foot regulation height
4. Games will be 15 minutes long – Running clock
5. Each team consists of 4-7 members plus 1 all-star (from Draft). Teams must play their All-Star!
6. Each team may only have two National Wheelchair Basketball Association (former or current) and/or collegiate wheelchair basketball players on the court at any one time. This might include your All-Star. If teams have more than two NWBA and/or collegiate team members on their rosters, they must adhere to the two-person rule

Rules:

1. Referees will call each game and follow National Wheelchair Basketball Association rules but with the understanding that most players are novices and are learning the game
2. Each game will begin with a jump ball
3. Players must dribble the ball once for every two pushes of the chair
4. Players must avoid intentionally running directly into another player
5. No free throws during this tournament- a foul will result in a turnover
6. Sudden death overtime will be played if a game is tied after regulation time

EQUIPMENT:

Sport wheelchairs will be shared among teams during the day. You may not have the same chair all day. We will do our best to fit you in a chair appropriate for you. Unless playing in back-to-back games, chairs should be returned to the sport chair area for other teams to use.

REMINDER:

This is a fun, community event that is supporting a great mission with Bridge II Sports. With that in mind, it is understood that this is a competitive tournament, but it is expected that all participants and athletes demonstrate good sportsmanship, teamwork, and a positive image during the day.