

Welcome to the 1st annual 2024 Orange County Cup



Captain's Notes

Pool Address:
Woollett Aquatics Center
4601 Walnut Ave, Irvine, CA 92604

Note: Parking is limited! Please arrive early to avoid issues...

Surplus parking located at Heritage Park: 14301 Yale Ave & Walnut Ave, Irvine, CA

AREA MAP



Hello Team Captains,

This document serves as the official Captains' Notes for the 1st Annual Orange County CUP (OCCs)

These notes will be attached to the OCCs Event page on UWH Portal. There will NOT be a captains meeting at the pool, so any questions you have need to be addressed via phone, email, or personal chat with a tournament organizer.

The schedule, and subsequent results/rankings, will be available at the UWH Portal event page. Thanks to Atlantis Sports for making this possible!

Please read through completely and carefully and distribute these notes to your teams. You are responsible for making sure your team knows the rules. Captains must acknowledge receipt and agreement to abide by these Captains notes/tournament rules. Ignorance will not be a valid excuse. Failure to follow these rules will impact your team, players and games to be played. Rules are subject to the discretion of the Tournament Organizers.

Thank you!!!!!!!!!!... We are looking forward to a fun weekend of Underwater Hockey!

EVENT CONTACTS:

Casey Nakamura,, Tournament Director

Beven McWilliams, Assistant Tournament Director

John Paden, Tournament Referee

Alex Webster, OCCs Treasurer (The Money Man)

Weston Monroe, Equipment Manager –

Eric Straily – Virtual Atlantis Sports/UWH Portal Admin

Tristan Debrunner – Atlantis Sports Score & Timing systems.

HOUSE RULES:

- SUNSCREEN - USE ONLY CLEAR SPRAY FORMULAS (For water CLARITY)
- No Deck Changing – Please use Locker Rooms
- No Alcohol allowed (Immediate ejection from Tournament)
- No illegal Drugs allowed (Immediate ejection from Tournament)
- No smoking or vaping in the Aquatics Facility
- No profanity or fighting allowed (Immediate ejection from Tournament)
- No running on the deck
- Food Area – please keep clean and only take what you need –

We have a budget and must maintain it for the whole weekend.

- Be courteous and professional to all pool staff
- Pick up trash and maintain a safe and clean facility
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Note: Failure to respect the facility or to follow these rules can and will lead to suspensions in games.

- Team Captains MUST read and distribute notes to their teams and acknowledge receipt and agreement to abide by tournament rules to the Tournament

SCHEDULE OF TOURNAMENT

- Entry to facility starts at 7:00 am on both days

Saturday – Warm up/pool time starts at 8:00am on Saturday – 1st game at 8:30

Sunday - Warm up/pool time starts at 7:00am on Sunday - 1st game at 7:30

Note: The USA Time Change to Day-light savings occurs this weekend, where we will Spring Forward 1 Hour on Sunday at 02:00 AM to 03:00 AM

POOL/COURT SET-UP:

We have only 1 court as indicated per layout.

- **BLACK Team** is the Near side (Black Bleachers)

- **WHITE TEAM** is the Far side (White Walks)

Note: There are multiple events happening all around the facility. All other pools are off-limits to UWH.

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE:

- We will be using the Atlantis Sports Tournament management system, an automated timing system for all courts. Change-over time between games is maintained by the computer, and games WILL start on schedule. Teams and refs are responsible for being ready when games start.

- Awards will be Presented outside the Pool after Pool clean up completed

- All scores and standings can be found on UWH PORTAL

<https://uwportal.com/events/us-2024-orange-county-cup>

Tournament Format -

The OCC 2024 will have 1 Division with all 10 teams.

All 10 teams will compete in 1 single Round Robin, followed by final seeded placing games of 1v2, 3v4, 5v6, 7v8 and 9v10.

We have 50 games throughout the weekend, please do your best to be ready on time for your game and ref assignments.

Round Robin Game Scoring:

- Win: +3, Tie: +1, Loss: 0, Forfeit: -3
- Seeding ties broken by (in order): Head-to-Head record, Most RR wins, Fewest RR losses, Fewest RR goals allowed, Coin toss

Final game ties: Go straight to running time sudden-death after 1-minute break (do not change ends)

REFEREES and RULES:

- We are using the **Minnesota Rule** - each team must provide 2 refs after each game they play.
- All referees are to be respected at all times, before, during and after games.
- **All Teams must Put your team's Player Ref name on the line of the game you PLAY, not the game you ref.**
 - If your team doesn't have a name on the board by 3 minutes before the published start time of your game, your opponent will choose the player who will serve the penalty at the beginning of that game.
 - This penalty will be at least one minute long (during which time, said player may go and write a name on the board) and will continue until the name of an eligible Player Ref has been added to the appropriate line on the board.
 - The Dilly-Dally Rule will apply: If your team's Player Refs are not ready to start (geared up, in position, hand up) at the published start time of the game they're signed up to ref, your opponent can select the player who will serve the 1-minute penalty at the start of your next game. In the event that your team is assessed both a Player Ref Rule penalty AND a Dilly-Dally Rule penalty for the same game, your opponent will choose a second player to serve a simultaneous 1-minute penalty.
- Tournament Hosts will arrange the referees for the first game EACH DAY.
- All referees are to wear appropriate vest, cap and gloves
- Ref gear will be available at officials table with gloves, vest/top, red swim caps and red polo caps
- Basic first aid supplies will be made available at each official table.

USOA Player Requirements

- All players must sign USOA waiver and pay USOA registration before playing in the tournament (other country registration is exempt, ex CUGA)
- Translations of the waiver are available upon request.

Rules & Protests

- We will be using CMAS rules version 12.0 (Volume 1 v12.0, Volume 2 v12.0), all players are strongly encouraged to at least read volume 2 of these rules.

<https://www.underwater-society.org/uwhreferees>)

- Upon request, there has been a form created for official protests. USOA rules require a \$50 protest fee to accompany it, and the form must be filled out within 1 hour after the match. See Tournament ref for more info.

Communicating with Referees:

- Players arriving late to a game must notify officials at the officials table before entering the game.

- Only active team captains (vice-captain in captain's absence) may speak to officials during a match.

- 'Colorful metaphors' and other inappropriate language/gestures toward players or

referees will be considered un-sportsman like behavior and will not be tolerated.

2 minute penalty for first offense, followed by 5 minutes, ejection from the game, and ejection from the tournament.

Rules Modifications, Special Notices:

- Penalty times may be reduced from those specified in the CMAS rules due to shorter game length (1,2,5 minute penalties will be used, but 2 may become 1 and 5 may become 2 at the discretion of the officials).

- Players to enter the pool from the penalty box by being seated on deck and sliding in

- Teams have already submitted rosters through the UWH Portal, however if any updates have been initiated, teams must update their portal roster prior to the first game

- No roster changes will be allowed after the first game

Player Gear & Markings:

- "C" and "VC" should be clearly marked on both shoulders of captain and vice-captain, respectively. There will be black permanent marking pens at the official's table. No body writing
- All players should have unique numbers on their respective teams. Player numbers will be used to keep track of warnings, penalties and goals. If numbers are not unique, incorrect players may get penalized or credited goals. Please make every attempt to have a unique number.
- Appropriate color hat/swim cap must be worn during play to match stick color. Ear-guards and straps are excluded from color requirements provided they do not create confusion about what color.
- Wrestling headgear does not count as a hat. An appropriate color hat must be worn together with a wrestling headgear.
- BLUE and BLACK are acceptable hat colors when playing black/dark.
- WHITE is the acceptable hat color when playing white.
- Ear and mouth guards must be worn. Players will not be allowed to play without them.
- In-water coaches must wear shirts during games. Preferred: Green cap or no polo cap/headgear
- Gloves must contrast the playing stick. Gloves may not be red, yellow, orange, or pink in color. Unsportsmanlike conduct infringements may be called if glove color is being used to intentionally mislead or confuse other players or officials.

Post Tournament Plans – Join us and raise a CUP!:

Post Tournament **OCC PIZZA PARTY**

Lamppost Pizza

14450 Culver Drive
Irvine, CA

6 pm
Sunday



**Pizza and soft
drinks included**

**Please send acknowledgement and
this information to orangeuwh@gmail.com**

Captain's Notes -Sign-off INFO

Team Name: _____

Captain's Name and Phone Number:

Vice-Captain Name and Phone Number: (in case, Captain can't be reached):
