

Windy City Invite 2017

Everything You Need To Know

The Basics

Schedule: Start / end times for each day are listed below. A link to the schedule will be posted on the event webpage: www.glueulti.com/windy-city-invite-2017.html

Saturday: 9am-4:30pm, Showcase game: 5pm-6:15pm

Sunday: 9am-3:00pm

Field Address: Mercy Health Sportscore Two – Turf Complex, 4501, Sun Singer Way, Loves Park, IL 61111
Pin Drop: <https://goo.gl/maps/CQsSnAyCiwR2>

Tournament Central will be located at the turf complex entrance. This shares a parking lot with the Rockford Rivets stadium, accessible from Interstate Blvd.

Coaches/Captains Meeting: We will be having two coaches/captains meetings since some teams have a first round bye: **8:30am for first round games, 10:00 am for second round games.**

Spirit Captain's Meeting: There will be a Spirit Captain's Meeting immediately after the Captain's Meeting. **8:35am for 1st Round games, 10:05 for 2nd Round games.** See the "Spirit of the Game" section below for more information.

Check-In: Opens at 8:00am on Saturday. At check-in we will give each team their scorecards for the weekend. Teams that turn in all their scorecards will be given a free disc after games on Saturday.

Rosters & Waivers: All players & coaches must complete [registration and waivers](#) prior to the tournament.

Messaging & Alerts:

- 1) **Phone** – If you need immediate assistance at your field or require an athletic trainer, call the tournament director (TD) or find your nearest tournament volunteer and they will pass on the information. The TD's phone number can be found on the landing page of the Google Doc Schedule.
- 2) **GroupMe** – We will be using [GroupMe](#) as our quick tournament messaging app for the weekend. Download the App to get started! Invites will be sent out by Friday to the phone numbers given for each team during the online registration. Updates to schedule, pizza deliveries, and weather delays will be communicated through this method first.
- 3) **Email** - Will be used to communicate details for the GroupMe notifications if needed. This will be a slower method of communication
- 4) **Twitter** – Is for supplemental information, competition updates, weekend highlights, etc. Please do not use this method of communication for reaching out to the tournament staff.



Health & Safety

Athletic Trainers: We will have 3 trainers there on Saturday and 2 on Sunday. They will be there from 8:00am through the games each day. Please get to the fields early if you want to get taped before the games. Athletic trainers have a golf cart so that they can come out to injured players on the field. Call the TD or notify the nearest tournament volunteer if emergency attention is needed.

Hospital: Closest hospital is [OSF St. Anthony's, 5666 E State St, Rockford, IL 61108](#).

Inclement Weather Information: In the event of a severe storm, participants should seek shelter in their cars. A blast of 5+ horns signifies a weather emergency. The Tournament Staff will make every attempt to provide as much advance notice as possible if a storm is approaching the area. Coaches should ensure that they have their bus driver's cell phone # (if applicable) so the buses can be summoned quickly. Updates during a weather delay will be given first via the GroupMe and second via email. The Google Doc Schedule will be the "MASTER" version of the schedule if changes are needed.

Weather Contingency Plan: If lightning is spotted 30 miles out, games will be suspended and the weather delay will continue until we reach a period of 30 minutes without lightning. If games are interrupted during the day, we will consider the following in making changes to the schedule:

- Games may go until 6pm on Saturday evening, and possibly later under the turf field's lights
- Games may start at 8am on Sunday morning
- The last games on Sunday will finish by 3:30pm
- Time between games may be shortened to 10-15 minutes
- Games may be shortened to 65 minutes and 11 points
- Pool play or cross-over games may be clipped in favor of a straight bracket
- Games that are past half-time may be called "as is"

Spirit of the Game

Spirit Captains: In a sport that depends on fairness and sportsmanship for quality competition, we take Spirit of the Game very seriously and to help encourage all teams to have great spirit. Each team needs to elect a "Spirit Captain" for the weekend to make sure their team upholds these values all weekend.

More notes on SOTG:

- Winning is important, but not at the cost of sportsmanship and respect for your opponents
- Spirit captains and spirit timeouts: Every team will have a spirit captain. That spirit captain can call spirit timeouts if games get too "chippy." The teams should meet in a circle and discuss the issues and come to a resolution to continue to play spirited.
- Spirit scores will be recorded along with game scores. The highest spirit-scoring teams in each division will receive a special prize.
- If any team demonstrates bad spirit, the Tournament Director will talk to the team and give them a warning. If bad spirit persists, repercussions will occur.



Competition

Game Length: All games are to 13 points and 75 minutes

Halftime: 5 minutes

Hard Cap (Pool & Bracket): Pool & bracket games will be straight to hard cap. Hard time cap goes on at end of round time as scheduled. The game is over at the end of the point in progress, unless tied; if tied, play one more point. If cap is blown in between points or during halftime, you play the next point before hard cap is applied.

Soft Cap: There is no soft cap at this tournament.

Timeouts: Each team will have one time per half and one floater (for the entire tournament). You can use remaining timeouts in hard cap. Teams DO NOT get an extra timeout in overtime (12-12).

	Game To	Point Cap	Soft Cap	Hard Cap	Time-Outs
Pool Play	13	15	-	75 mins	1 / half, +1 floating
Bracket Play	13	15	-	75 mins	1 / half, +1 floating
Middle School	13	15	-	65 mins	1 / half, +1 floating

Tie Breakers: If there is a 2 or 3-way tie in pool play, it will be resolved in the order shown below:

- 1) Head-to-head between the tied teams
- 2) Point differential between the teams that are tied using only the games in which those teams played each other. For example: if A2, A3 and A4 are tied, you would only use the point differential from A2vA3, A2vA4 and A3vA4. The games against A1 would not count towards the point differential.
- 3) If point differential is tied between two teams, then you go back to the head-to-head result of those two teams

Score Reporting: Paper scorecards will be used to record game scores and spirit scores each round. Please fill these out immediately after the round is over and deposit in the nearest GLUE Mailbox. Teams that turn in all their scorecards on Saturday will receive a free disc! Stop by Tournament Central after games on Saturday to pick it up.

Horns:

- 1 blast – game starts
- 2 blasts – hard cap
- 5+ blasts – weather emergency, get to shelter immediately
- Middle school will need to keep their own time to avoid confusion with the 75min rounds



Tournament Amenities

Merchandise: [Spin Ultimate](#) is the official merchandise provider of the 2017 Windy City Invite and will be selling sweet merchandise all weekend long! *Any player caught stealing from the merch tent will have their team immediately disqualified from the tournament and will not be invited back in future years.*

Trade Night: Bring jerseys, shorts and other ultimate SWAG to trade during the showcase game on Saturday. Hang around TC and show off your wares as people come to pick up their pizza.

Water: Will be easily accessible all weekend. There will be one water station for every 2 fields.

Food for Sale: Sportscore will have concessions for sale at the building next to Tournament Central. Expect standard concessions fair like hot dogs, hamburgers, chips, snacks and sports drinks.

Tournament Food: GLUE is providing the standard tournament-fare of PB&J, bagels, apples, bananas, etc.

Pizza Party: Teams are encouraged to pre-order Papa John's pizzas for \$10 / pizza. Fill out the survey at the link below and send payment via PayPal (td@glueulti.com) or Venmo (@nlindeke / 6513244787).

Pizza Order Form: <https://goo.gl/forms/byC0gQV6VCynQ7fS2>

Food to Bring: One of the keys to a successful day of ultimate is managing your energy and food intake throughout the day. We recommend bringing a supply of your own snacks and food to keep your body energized. *Suggestions: fruit, granola bars, nuts, fruit leather, summer sausage, apple sauce, Bugles, Goldfish crackers, trail mix, etc.*

Media

Photography: Rudy DeSort from UltiPhotos will be providing Official Tournament Photography all weekend! Nightly highlights will be posted on UltiPhotos.com, with full coverage to follow shortly afterwards. Like and follow UltiPhotos on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) for coverage updates.

Twitter Account: [@GLUEulti](#) - Follow us on Twitter!



Other

Public Parking: The closest parking lot to Tournament Central is to the NW of the turf complex. The parking lot is shared with the Rockford Rivets stadium. Parking is also available closer to the fields on the East side of the campus. Please look at the complex map for parking locations.

Dogs: Dogs are allowed on the grass fields at Sportscore Two but have to be on a leash. Dogs are not allowed on synthetic turf.

Sponsors: We are excited to have amazing sponsors such as (click below to view website for each):

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- [Spin Ultimate](#)
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