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Pacific Coast Athletic Conference

Baseball Supplemental

00. Baseball

01. Season Limit on Contests

A. The baseball season is limited to a maximum of forty-four (44) contests including scrimmages. The season begins and ends as prescribed in the California Community College Commission on Athletics Constitution and Bylaws, Section 3.11, Sports Season Chart.

B. Schedule:

- (1) Games are to be played on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturdays.
 - (A.) Any contest involving Imperial Valley College may schedule PCC games (including double headers) on Friday, with the approval from both colleges (games may only be scheduled on Friday, instead of Saturday games).
 - (B.) Games may be moved to Friday from Saturday with mutual consent from both colleges during three (3) game series
- (2) The starting time for conference games scheduled Monday through Friday shall be 2:00 p.m. Saturday single games and doubleheaders shall begin at 12:00 Noon.
- (3) Both games of a doubleheader are to be nine (9) innings.
- (4) Make-up and Rain-out schedule is as follows:

Tuesday - make-up will be on the next available weekday

Thursday - make-up will be on the next available weekday

Saturday - make-up will be on the next available weekday

Any rain-out game involving Imperial Valley College may be rescheduled at a later date with consent from both participating schools. (Rule .01, B., (4) applies to all other Pacific Coast Conference contests.)

The make-up games will be played in the same sequence as they occurred. Sequence rules will apply, depending on field availability. Conference Commissioner must approve out-of-sequence makeup games. Colleges may play a maximum of four (4) games per week.

Monday – No conference make-up games unless agreed to by both coaches.

Non-conference games should be scheduled on days established for the rescheduling of make-up games.

- (5) In the event of rain, the site may be changed with agreement of both coaches and Athletic Directors.

- (6) Rain outs or halted games refer to the NCAA official rules. It shall be a regulation game if called by the umpire at any time after five innings have been completed. Athletic Directors must be involved with rescheduling of any type of make-up games.

.02 Playing Rules

- A. The NCAA official rulebook shall be the rulebook used by the Conference.
 - (1) Batting practice is allowed for all games. Home team may start at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, 12:00 noon on weekdays (head coaches are not concerned if home team starts early on any day). Visiting team will have 30 minutes for batting practice starting at 10:45 a.m. on Saturday, and 12:45 p.m. on weekdays.
- B. Two officials, a plate umpire and a base umpire, are to be assigned for all Conference games. Umpires for non-conference games will be assigned upon request. If one official fails to appear, the contest shall be played and the official shall be paid in accordance with the Southern California Community College Officials Fee Schedule.
- ~~C.~~ The official Conference baseball shall be the sanctioned CCCBCA baseball.
 - (1) A batter must wear a plastic helmet as protective headgear.

D. Protests

Protests shall be considered only when based upon the violation or interpretation of a playing rule or the use of an ineligible player. No protest ever shall be permitted on judgment decisions by the umpire.

Protests shall be made as follows:

The head coaches of contesting teams shall have the right to protest a game. The head coach must make his protest to the umpire who made the decision. Such protest must be made before any succeeding play. The umpire shall notify the umpire-in-chief who, at that time, shall inform the opposing head coach, that the game is being played under protest and the reason shall be stated. The umpire-in-chief and the head coaches shall notify the Commissioner in writing and postmarked within forty-eight (48) hours, of the protest, setting forth the situation in detail with code and rule book provisions noted. The Conference Commissioner will then make a ruling. If a protest is approved, the game will be replayed from the point of the protest.

Protested games are to be made up on the next available date. Protest games will be played relative to their time of occurrence (same as rain out schedule).

First in time will be first played in accordance with the Conference playing dates of Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. Protest games will be played at their original sites.

Forfeiture

A forfeited game shall be declared by the umpire-in-chief in favor of the team not at fault if a team fails to appear on the field prepared to play within fifteen (15) minutes after the designated starting time unless such delay in commencing the game is unavoidable.

E. Tie Game

Any game halted by the umpire due to darkness with the score tied or a game suspended by the officials due to the conduct of players, coaches and/or spectators shall be continued with the following conditions:

- (1) The halted or suspended game to be continued on the date and site of the next scheduled conference game between the two teams in question. It shall be the first part of two games with the second game being the regularly scheduled game for that date. The starting time for the halted/suspended game make-up Monday through Friday shall be 1:00 p.m. Saturday games shall begin at 12:00 noon.
- (2) The suspended or halted game must resume play at exactly the point of suspension, with the lineups and batting orders of both teams exactly the same, subject to the rules of substitution; any player (or pitcher) who played, or was announced as a substitute prior to the suspension, must be in the lineup when play resumes or be ineligible the remainder of the game.
- (3) Host college for the regular scheduled game responsible to notify the official's appointment secretary of the additional game. Umpire fees for the suspended/halted game will be \$5.00 per official for each inning played and to be paid by the host college.
- (4) Halted tie games and/or suspended games that occur in the final round of conference play and are determined to effect the outcome of the Conference Championships or Post Conference Playoff representatives will be made up; otherwise they will be considered as regulation games. The Commissioner will consult with the participating colleges to determine the date, time and site for completion of the halted or suspended game.

03. Awards

A. Team

A conference champion shall be determined by the final standings of conference play. A co-championship will result in duplicate awards.

B. Individual

The head coaches or their representatives shall meet following the last scheduled conference game to select an All-Conference team and an Athlete of the Year.

C. All Conference

The All-Conference team will consist of 22 players to include a utility player and designated hitter and they shall receive conference certificates. No student-athlete shall receive recognition unless approved by his coach. Each college shall be permitted one vote by the head coach or designee. Colleges may vote for their nomination. The vote shall consist of a ranking of the number of allowable players with the first place receiving the maximum weight and the last place a minimum number. Each nominee's points shall be totaled with the final election decided from the ranking of total points received. Final selection will be made by secret ballot and the results shall be forwarded immediately to the Conference Commissioner.

D. Total Awards

Championship Plaque	1	
Athlete of the Year	1	
Conference Certificate	22	(6 infielders plus 1 first baseman, 6 outfielders, 2 catchers, 3 pitchers, 1 utility, 1 designated hitter, 1 outstanding athlete and 1 relief pitcher)
First Place Team Awards	20	

.04 Playoff/Championship Determination

The Conference playoff representative shall be the winner of the conference standings. If any number of teams are tied for first place, they shall be designated as Co-Champions, Tri-Champions, Quad-Champions, etc. However, for determining the Conference Playoff Representative, the following criteria will be used for two-way ties, three-way ties and four-way ties.

A. Two Teams Tied for First Place

- (1) Individual conference win-loss record against each other. (Head-to-Head Competition)
- (2) RPI (Season) Final

B. Three Teams Tied for First Place

- (1) Individual conference win-loss record against each other. (Head-to-Head Competition)
Example:
Team A 3-2 vs Team B and 3-2 vs. Team C (won both series, 6-4 record)
Team B 2-3 vs. Team A and 5-0 vs. Team C (won one series, 7-3 record)
Team C 2-3 vs. Team A and 0-5 vs. Team B (won neither series, 2-8 record)
(Team A would be our number 1 seed for winnings both series)

- (2) RPI (Season) Final

C. Four Teams Tied for First Place

- (1) Individual conference win-loss record against each other. (Head-to-Head Competition)
- (2) RPI (Season) Final

D. Teams Tied for Second/Third Place

- (1) Individual conference win-loss record against each other. (Head-to-Head Competition)
- (2) RPI (Season) Final
- (3) Overall Season percentage.

.05 Committee

A. Conference appointed sports representative

- (1) Chair and preside at all meetings. Shall not have a vote.
- (2) Schedule a minimum of one meeting a year immediately following the last conference game.

B. Membership to consist of all conference baseball coaches.

- (1) Voting membership shall consist of one vote per college.
- (2) PCC Baseball Coaches Representative will be elected by the head coaches for a three-year term, voted on by head coaches.