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Notre Dame Quick Facts

Location.....	Notre Dame, IN 46556
Founded	1842
Enrollment	8,261 (undergraduate), 11,311 (total)
Nickname	Fighting Irish
Colors.....	Gold and Blue
Conference	Central Collegiate Hockey Assoc.
Facility	Joyce Center
Capacity	2,713
Ice Surface	200 x 85
President	Rev. Edward A. Malloy, C.S.C.
Provost	Dr. Nathan Hatch
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Introduction

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Photographs, feature ideas and results are always available from the Notre Dame Sports Information Office. For information and interviews, call Tim Connor at (574) 631-7516 or view the official website of the Notre Dame athletic department at www.und.com

Website

The Central Collegiate Hockey Association maintains its presence on the internet at www.ccha.com, which contains current information on all facets of the CCHA. Standings, notes, schedules, results and statistics are updated on a daily basis.

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 SID office(419) 372-7077
 Press box(419) 372-1236

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 Press box(269) 387-3065

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 Hotel fax(260) 483-2892
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 War Memorial Press box(260) 449-4818

Oxford, Ohio

10/14 Depart via chartered bus

The Hamiltonian
 1 Riverfront Plaza
 Hamilton, OH 45011

10/15 Game at Miami (7:35 p.m. EDT)

10/11 Game at Miami (7:35 p.m. EDT)
 Return by chartered bus to South Bend

Bowling Green, Ohio

11/3 Depart via chartered bus

Best Western Falcon Plaza
 1450 Wooster Street
 Bowling Green, OH 43402

11/4 Game at Bowling Green (7:05 p.m.)
 Return by chartered bus to South Bend

Kalamazoo, Michigan

11/12 Depart via chartered bus (3:00 p.m.)
 Game vs. Western Michigan (7:35 p.m.)

Clarion Hotel
 3600 East Cork Street
 Kalamazoo, MI 49001

11/13 Game vs. Western Michigan (7:05 p.m.)
 Return by chartered bus to South Bend

Fairbanks, Alaska

11/24 Depart by bus to Chicago (2:30 p.m.)
 Depart Alaska Airlines #131
 Chicago - Anchorage (7:20 p.m. - 11:16 p.m.)
 Depart Alaska Airlines #133
 Anchorage-Fairbanks (11:55 p.m. - 12:50 a.m.)

Regency Fairbanks Hotel
 95 10th Avenue
 Fairbanks, AK 99701

11/25 Practice (TBA)

11/26 Game vs. Alaska Fairbanks (7:05 p.m.)

11/27 Game vs. Alaska Fairbanks (7:05 p.m.)

11/28 Depart Alaska Airlines #4
 Fairbanks - Seattle (2:00 a.m. - 6:28 a.m.)
 Seattle - Chicago (8:45 a.m. - 2:41 p.m.)
 Return by chartered bus to South Bend

Ann Arbor, Michigan

12/2 Depart via charter bus (7:00 p.m.)
 Sheraton Inn Ann Arbor
 3200 Boardwalk Street
 Ann Arbor, MI 48108

12/3 Game vs. Michigan (7:35 p.m.)
 Return by chartered bus to South Bend

East Lansing, Michigan

12/10 Depart post-game ND-Michigan State
 Radisson Hotel Lansing
 111 Grand Avenue North
 Lansing, MI 48933

12/11 Game vs. Michigan State (7:05 p.m.)
 Return by chartered bus to South Bend

Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan

1/6 Depart via chartered bus (8:00 a.m.)
 Practice (6:00 p.m.)

Ramada Plaza Ojibway
 240 West Portage Avenue
 Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783

1/7 Game at Lake Superior (7:05 p.m.)

1/8 Game at Lake Superior (7:05 p.m.)
 Return by chartered bus to South Bend

Green Bay, Wisconsin

1/17 Depart via chartered bus (3:00 p.m.)
 Hilton Garden Inn
 1015 Lombardi Avenue
 Green Bay, WI 54304

1/18 Game vs. Michigan Tech (6:35 p.m. CST)
 Return by chartered bus to South Bend

Bowling Green, Ohio

1/27 Depart via chartered bus after practice

Best Western Falcon Plaza
 1450 Wooster Street
 Bowling Green, OH 43402

1/28 Game vs. Bowling Green (7:05 p.m.)
 Return by chartered bus to South Bend

Fort Wayne, Indiana/Ann Arbor, Michigan

2/17 Depart via chartered bus (4:00 p.m.)
 Practice (7:00 p.m.)

Marriott Fort Wayne
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2/18 Game vs. Michigan (7:35 p.m.)
 Depart for Ann Arbor following game via
 chartered bus

Sheraton Inn Ann Arbor
 3200 Boardwalk Street
 Ann Arbor, MI 48108

2/19 Game at Michigan (7:35 p.m.)
 Return by chartered bus to South Bend

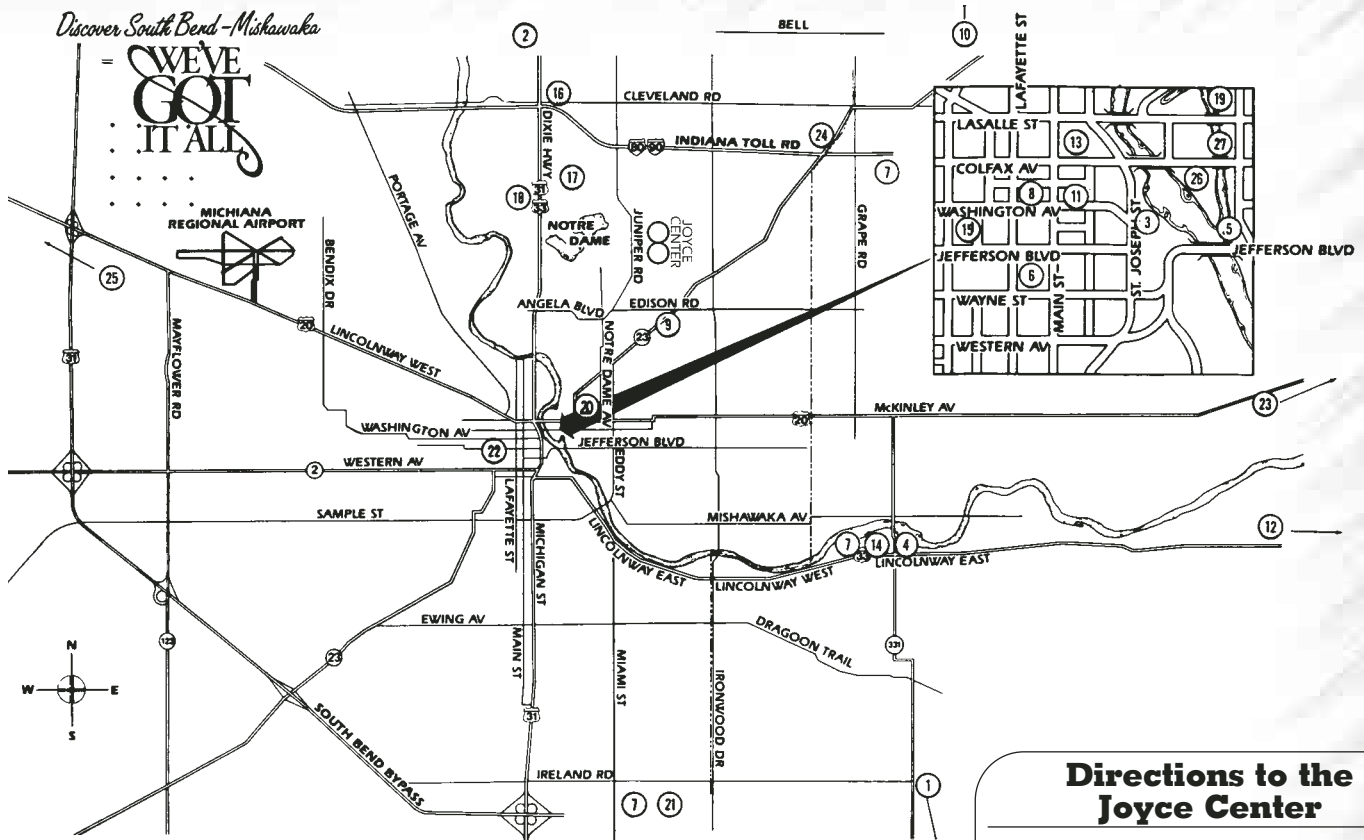
East Lansing, Michigan

3/4 Depart via chartered bus (7:00 p.m.)

Radisson Hotel Lansing
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 Lansing, MI 48933

3/5 Game vs. Michigan State (7:05 p.m.)
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WESTERN AV

SAMPLE ST

Directions to the Joyce Center

- **Approaching from South or North**
Take Highway 31 to Angela Boulevard (which becomes Edison Road). Proceed east on Angela and make a left turn at the second light, onto Juniper Road. Proceed north on Juniper to the next light and turn right into the Joyce Center Fieldhouse parking area (Moose Krause Drive). The Joyce Center is located on the southeast side of the intersection of Juniper and Krause, while Notre Dame Stadium is situated to the southwest of that intersection.

- **Approaching from West or East**
Exit Indiana Toll Road at Notre Dame exit 77. Follow access road and turn right (south) onto U.S. 31 before following the above north/ south directions.

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(574)-277-7700

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Days Inn Motel

52757 U.S. 31/33
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Fairfield Inn

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(574)-273-2202

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52709 U.S. 31/33
(574)-277-9373

Hampton Inn

445 W. University Dr., Mishawaka
(574)-273-2309

Marriott Residence Inn

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(574)-289-5555

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213 West Washington
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6701 North Main, Granger
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130 U.S. 31/33
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53993 U.S. 31/33
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1404 Ivy Road
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Knights Inn

236 U.S. 31/33
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Marriott

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Irish Hockey on WDND ESPN Radio 1580

Notre Dame hockey games will be broadcast during the 2003-04 season by WDND South Bend's **ESPN Radio 1580**, with live internet broadcasts also available via the Notre Dame Athletic Department's official website (www.und.com).

Back for his third season behind the microphone is the voice of Notre Dame hockey, Mike Lockert. A Los Angeles native, Lockert has worked the past three seasons as the public relations director and the voice of the South Bend Silverhawks, a Class-A affiliate of the Arizona Diamondbacks.

Lockert's energetic style brings out the excitement of Irish hockey every weekend home and away.

The voice of the Irish earned his hockey broadcasting start during 1999-2000 season as the play-by-play man for the Huntington Blizzard of the East Coast Hockey League (ECHL).

Prior to joining the Silverhawks in 2002, Lockert worked as a national talk show host on the Cable Radio Network.

He also has hosted several radio shows in his hometown of Los Angeles and has served as host for UCLA pre-and post-game shows and the Los Angeles Clippers halftime show.

Lockert attended California State University - Los Angeles, where he majored in broadcast communications. He resides in South Bend.



Irish On Fox Sports and CSTV

Once again, the Central Collegiate Hockey Association will team with Fox Sports Net Detroit to televise college hockey action throughout the winter. At press time, the 2004-05 schedule had not been released.

College Sports Television (CSTV) will also broadcast its national college hockey "Game of the Week" package on Friday nights throughout the season beginning in early October. CSTV's schedule was also not available at press times.

Fox Sports coverage of the CCHA also includes "CCHA Weekly," a 30-minute weekly magazine show that begins in January and provides in-depth coverage of the league.

FOX Sports Net, which reaches 3.5 million homes in Michigan, Northwest Ohio and Northern Indiana, also will carry a first-round game from the CCHA playoffs, both semifinal games from Joe Louis Arena and the league championship game on March 19.



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Notre Dame Scholastic

South Dining Hall
Notre Dame, IN 46556
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225 West Colfax Avenue
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Online Fax (703) 907-4465

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Credentials for home games can be obtained by contacting the Sports Information Office 24 hours prior to game time.

Radio stations wishing to broadcast from the Joyce Center must inform the SID office two weeks in advance. As per CCHA guidelines, one courtesy radio line is provided for visiting CCHA opponent radio stations.

Additional phone lines can be made available by calling Carolyn Rush of the Notre Dame telecommunications office, at (574) 631-6014.





An Open Letter To The College Ice Hockey Community From NCAA Commissioners And Supervisors Of Officials

The following is an open letter to the college ice hockey community, as submitted by the NCAA commissioners and supervisors of officials, in conjunction with the NCAA Men's and Women's Ice Hockey Rules Committee. The letter came from Ty Halpin, the Associate Director of Playing Rules Administration. It concerns the decrease in offensive opportunities on the ice.

Over the past year, a common discussion has taken place in both the professional hockey community and the college hockey community. The discussion has focused on somewhat recent developments in the game, many, but not all of which have resulted in a decrease in offensive opportunities on the ice.

These developments have been identified as wide ranging and include, but are not limited to, the areas of technology, officiating, coaching, equipment and talent. Many of these areas are inter-related. Technology allows players to train better and become bigger, stronger, and faster. Technology allows coaches to break down game tapes and better prepare for an opponent. Technology leads to larger, lighter, more protective equipment for goaltenders and non-goaltenders alike. Input from coaches has influenced how the game is called by on-ice officials.

There is a growing consensus among many of us in the college hockey community that the time has come to affect changes of our own. The "us" refers to the NCAA Men's and Women's Ice Hockey Rules Committee, the college ice hockey commissioners and supervisors, NCAA staff and many head and assistant coaches. This document has been produced to identify the changes that are being sought this winter.

First step

The NCAA Men's and Women's Ice Hockey Rules Committee reviewed the overall state of the game at its annual meeting June 2004. The committee, after some consultation with commissioners and supervisors, voted only one point of emphasis for the upcoming season - proper rules enforcement.

Purpose

The stated purpose of this initiative is to allow all players to benefit from the rules book and how the book is called. While the so-called "let them play" philosophy has become deep rooted and the concept of penalty selection is universally accepted, these philosophies need to be amended. The traditional approach - "let them play" - has allowed too many infractions to go without a penalty being called and the result is a different game. The result is, in our opinion, a less attractive game.

Critics of this initiative may suggest we are adding new penalties to an already-bloated rules book. We are not adding any new penalties. The book currently has all the penalties needed for a great game to emerge. We are simply calling for the existing book to be called more responsibly.

Critics of this initiative may suggest we are asking officials to call more penalties. No one is asking for more penalties to be called. We are establishing new standards and expect the players and coaches to adapt. If they choose not to abide, more penalties are likely to be called. In the end, the players and coaches will have more to say about how many penalties will be called than the officials.

Target Areas

We have a general target: allowing all players the right to meet their offensive and defensive responsibilities without being held, hooked, or otherwise obstructed. While we hope to see increased offensive opportunities from this initiative, there is evidence that attacking players are also frequent offenders in the area of obstruction (e.g., face-off picks).

We also have identified three specific target areas:

- a) Offensive players coming through the neutral or offensive zones being unfairly/illegally held-up while they make a legitimate attempt to get or remain open for a pass from a puck-controlling teammate.
- b) Offensive players coming through the neutral or offensive zones being unfairly/illegally held-up while they attempt the legitimate pursuit of a loose puck.
- c) Players along the boards, on or away from the puck, being unfairly/illegally restrained.

Defining the Standard

The NCAA Men's and Women's Ice Hockey Rules Book already defines the above actions as penalties. However, we feel that too often these situations are allowed to play out without penalties being called. And so the following standard is being adopted for the 2004-05 season.

In all of the areas above, we feel that a player, who, through the use of physical skill and/or anticipation, has a positional advantage on an opponent, shall not lose that advantage through the illegal use of hands, arms, or stick. Any player in pursuit of a puck or open lane shall not lose a perceived positional advantage by the illegal use of hands, arms, or stick by an opponent. If a player is deprived of that advantage by an illegal act (e.g., hook, hold, interference, etc.), the appropriate penalty must be called.

A "positional advantage," in other terminology, might be called "a step," as in: "He/she had a good step on the defender, but the player hooked just enough to catch up."

Please note: the illegal acts we are targeting include, but are not necessarily limited to, the following:

- * Using a free or open hand or arm to restrain an opponent, along the boards (pinning) or in open ice;
- * Using a free or open hand to grab any part of an opponent's uniform (tugging), equipment, or stick;
- * Tying up an opponent by illegal use of hands, arms or stick, rather than by body position;
- * Picking or screening a player who does not have possession of the puck, and, in the process, preventing the player from moving to open or unoccupied ice in any zone; and
- * Placing the stick between an opponent's legs, preventing his or her right to participate in the play.

NOTE: We are identifying a limited number of situations and actions. But they MUST be called. For this initiative to be effective, players, coaches, and the public should notice a difference in how the game is called in 2004-05.

Weathering the Storm

For this initiative to work, all parties must know that we are determined to see it through. The standard is what it is. If you take away a player's legitimate positional advantage through an illegal action, no matter how slight (a little hook, a slight tug, etc.), it is a penalty. It must be called. And this means:

- a) Officials have to understand this and make the call;
- b) Supervisors and commissioners must work to stress to their officials that they must make these calls;
- c) Officials who show a pattern of not making these calls must be held accountable (e.g., lose assignments);
- d) Players and coaches have to accept that penalties will result if they continue these practices;
- e) Commissioners must respond strongly to coaches who criticize officials who do their job as directed or who criticize this initiative itself; and
- f) This initiative must be seen through for the entire season.

A Start

The attempt to treat the above situations with more stringent enforcement is only the start of a longer process. We hope to see greater enforcement in a wider area of situations beginning in the 2005-06 season. One area for future consideration is the culture of situational standards. By this, we mean the changing of standards according to the time and score of the game. Is there a tougher standard to meet in overtime for a penalty to be called? If Team A receives a penalty in overtime, don't we currently expect the standard to be lightened so that a penalty can be called on Team B to mitigate the situation? Isn't the standard different for a team already killing a penalty?

Unlike the topic of restraining fouls detailed above, there is no consensus currently on the concept of situational standards. And so we wish to begin a national dialogue on the subject in the coming months to see if there is reason to address this in the future.



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