



# LOUDOUN NFL FLAG

## Madden Tournament Series Rules

### 1. Eligibility & Player Conduct

- a. Only individuals who have registered through the Loudoun NFL FLAG website ([www.nvasports.org](http://www.nvasports.org)) are permitted to participate in the events. Playing for someone else or having someone play for you is not permitted.
- b. Participants must be of the appropriate age as listed during registration:
  - i. Youth Tournaments: 10 years old - 15 years old
- c. Players are expected to display positive sportsmanship and to honor the Loudoun NFL FLAG league rules/guidelines at all times. Foul or offensive language and the destruction of property will not be tolerated.
- d. Event staff reserves the right to disqualify any player that violates the above guidelines.

### 2. Tournament Outline

- a. Unless otherwise stated, all seeding and matchups will be created randomly.
- b. Unless otherwise stated, home and away team designation will be determined randomly.
- c. Unless otherwise stated, all tournaments will be 1v1 single elimination.



- d. Should a game end in a tie (not allowed), the players will start a new game with the exact same teams and get the game back into the exact same game situation (possession, down & distance, and yard line). Changing your team or your playbook is not permitted in this situation.

### 3. General Rules

- a. Participants may select any of the 32 NFL teams in Madden. You may select the same team as your opponent. No other teams are allowed (created teams, ultimate teams, etc.).
- b. Participants may change teams and/or playbooks between rounds. The higher seed gets one change during team selection after the lower seed has chosen.
- c. If you suspect your opponent is cheating by abusing game programming to gain an advantage or in a fit of rage, report it immediately to the tournament host.  
Examples:
  - i. Excessively toggling the screen
  - ii. Intentionally committing penalties in an effort to slow the game down or run out the clock
- d. No uniform editing (unless playing as the same team as your opponent).
- e. Games ending in a forfeit will be scored 28-0.
- f. In the event of an unintentional disconnect or freeze, the game will be restarted. Players will resume the game exactly as it was at the time of the error. This means the exact score, quarter, time remaining, team with possession, yard line, and down/distance.
  - i. If the game was in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter and the score differential was 24 points or more, the game will not be resumed and the score will be final.



## 4. Game Settings

- a. Game Skill: All Pro (there will be no changing of the sliders)
- b. Game Clock: 4 Minute Quarters (subject to change)
- c. Weather: Off
- d. Challenges: On
- e. Accelerated Clock: Yes – 25 Seconds Remaining
- f. Game Speed: Normal
- g. Injuries: Off
- h. Fatigue: On
- i. Even Teams: Off

## 5. Tournament Series & Tournament of Power

- a. Loudoun NFL FLAG will host Madden tournaments throughout the year as part of their Madden Tournament Series.
- b. Each tournament winner will receive a prize and have their spot reserved for the end of the series tournament, the Tournament of Power.
  - i. Please note that an individual who wins a tournament is not eligible to participate/win another.
- c. The Tournament of Power is reserved for those individuals who won one of the tournaments held during that year's series to determine who is the best of the best.

## 6. Miscellaneous

- a. If a player does not show up for their scheduled match, there is a 5-minute grace period. After this 5-minute grace period is up, the game will be recorded as a forfeit (28-0).