

NATIONAL FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

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INTRODUCTION

The National Football Association (NFA) continues its strong run, soon to begin its eleventh season, in 2006. In that time, there have been enthusiastic new franchise owners, exciting playoff races, surprising championship results. And, with a similarity paralleling the National Football League (NFL), the NFA keeps reaping the fruits of parity, resulting in eight different champions over the League's ten-year history.

Given how the first decade of the NFA have been, the NFA is committed to furthering this and looking to make some changes to spark even more enthusiasm and excitement in future seasons. To this end, the NFA is making some changes to the existing rules. This document represents this summary for rules changes. If you have any questions about this document or would like to discuss any item detailed in this document further, please feel free to contact the Commissioner.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF CHANGES

The rules changes involve personnel transactions, tiebreakers and an additional League Officer. The changes are:

- 1) Waiver wire specification for players dropped
 - 2) Inclusion of new tiebreakers
 - 3) Specification of Treasurer responsibilities
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DETAILS OF RULE CHANGES

WAIVER WIRE SPECIFICATION FOR PLAYERS DROPPED

Any player that is dropped as part of an add / drop or trade will revert back to the player availability pool on that personnel transaction day. That player will remain unclaimed until the following personnel transaction day, on which any franchise can file claims to obtain the player, by submitting an add / drop or including the player as part of a trade proposal, or waive the opportunity to do so.

INCLUSION OF NEW TIEBREAKERS

To break a tie between two franchises, the system for determining the participants in the NFA Playoffs is as follows:

- 1) Better won-lost-tied record
- 2) Head-to-head competition
- 3) Better won-lost-tied percentage in conference games

- 4) Better average points for in conference games
- 5) Better average points for in all games
- 6) Coin flip

To break a tie among three franchises, the system for determining the participants in the NFA Playoffs is as follows:

- 1) Head-to-head competition
- 2) Better won-lost-tied percentage in conference games
- 3) Better won-lost-tied percentage in common games excluding multiple games against teams
- 4) Better average net points for in conference games
- 5) Better average points for in all games
- 6) Strength of victory (i.e., combined overall records of teams defeated)
- 7) Strength of schedule (i.e., combined overall records of all teams played)
- 8) Coin flip

SPECIFICATION OF TREASURER RESPONSIBILITIES

Each year prior to the regular season, the Commissioner will select an owner to serve in the capacity of League Treasurer. The primary responsibility of the Treasurer will be to handle all financial matters for the League. Tasks associated with this include, but are not limited to, the following:

- 1) Emailing owners of full fees to be collected for the upcoming season
- 2) Establishing viable methods of payment for owners
- 3) Managing of all fees collected throughout the season to ensure no loss of monies
- 4) Refunding of unused fees collected throughout the season after all transactions and injured reserve designations are completed (i.e., Week 12)
- 5) Processing of prizes as money distribution to NFA Bowl participants
- 6) Processing of variable salary for the Commissioner
- 7) Transitioning of any relevant Treasury materials to successor and the Commissioner

The Treasurer's responsibilities are considered complete for the season once all monies for the season are distributed to the appropriate people.

CONCLUSION

The NFA is committed to making its game more exciting for its franchise owners. Changes to its rules represent the vehicle in which to spark more enthusiasm and excitement in future seasons. To this end, the NFA is making some changes to the existing rules. This document represents this summary of rules changes. If you have any questions about this summary or would like to discuss any item detailed in this document further or if you would like to make any suggestions, please feel free to contact the Commissioner.

