

2019 Fantasy Hurricane League Rules

Selection/Draft/General rules:

1. The Draft is to be held Saturday, April 20st at a local pub with a full bar and salty snacks.
2. The Draft selection order is determined by drawing numbers from a hat before each of three total rounds.
3. Each team has two picks in each round, with the selection order of first-to-last, then last-to-first.
4. The storm list is prepared by the commissioner, creating a 45 storm field out of North Atlantic and North Pacific hurricanes. Greek letter storm names can be chosen at will.
5. To be awarded points, storms must be named during the (pool extended) hurricane season of May 1st – November 30th.
6. The League season is complete and scoring is over when the last storm named before December 1st dissipates below TD level and November 30th has passed.
7. Final League ties are decided by highest recorded wind speed of any hurricane, then number of hurricanes named, then a two out of three rock-scissors-paper throw.
8. NOAA is the final source of hurricane classifications, wind speed, landfall location, dates named, etc.

Scoring:

Points are cumulative and awarded for each storm based on the following rules:

1. One point X the highest CAT level reached by each hurricane.
2. One point X the highest CAT level at time of USA or Mexico landfall.
3. One point X the highest CAT level at time of Florida landfall.
4. One point X the highest CAT level at time of Palm Beach County landfall.
5. -0.5 point for all named tropical storms that do not reach CAT-1 level, nor make US or Mexico landfall.
6. +0.5 point for all named tropical storms that do not reach CAT-1 level, but make a US or Mexico landfall.
7. Two additional points will be awarded for each full week a storm maintains hurricane winds.
8. All non-bonus hurricane points are doubled for hurricanes named in October and are tripled for hurricanes named in November.
9. Hurricanes making multiple landfalls will be awarded points for the single highest scoring landfall only.
10. 2019 Bonus – Call Your State Rule: Teams may choose a US state for each storm to hit as a hurricane for an additional 5 points per called landfall. To be in play, the storm's state must be submitted to the Commissioner via message board, e-mail, or text 72 hours prior to landfall and before the storm is named. Any storm in play that fails to make landfall in the called state as a hurricane will lose 50% of any total positive points.