2024 Fantasy Hurricane League Rules

Draft General rules:

1. The Draft will be held Saturday, May 4th at 1:36PM at The Snuggery. All teams drafting remotely will submit a list of all storms in their order of selection preference two weeks prior to The Draft. All remote teams' top available selections will be proxy chosen during The Draft.

2. The Draft selection order will be set by picking numbers from a hat before the first round. The draft order will be staggered by a third for each round.

3. Each team has two picks in each round, with the selection order of first-to-last, then last-to-first. There will be three selection rounds for a total of six storms for each team.

4. The primary storm list consists of the 45 named storms in the North Atlantic and the North Pacific oceans. Supplemental/alternate/Greek list of 45 storm names can be chosen from at will and as often as desired. These lists are currently available at NOAA.

5. To be awarded points, storms must be named during the (League 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 only source for hurricane classifications, wind speed, landfall location, dates named, etc. The Commissioner's rulings are final.

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 half point X the highest CAT level at time of USA or Mexico landfall.
3. One half point X the highest CAT level at time of Florida landfall.
4. One half 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 as tropical storms.
6. +0.5 point for all named tropical storms that do not reach CAT-1 level, but make a US or Mexico landfall as tropical storms.
7. Hurricanes making multiple landfalls will be awarded points for the single highest scoring landfall only.
8. All non-bonus points are doubled for storms named in May and October and are tripled for storms named in November.
9. Puerto Rico, Hispaniola, and Cuba are all considered US states for 2024.
10. 2023 Bonus – Three bonus points will be awarded to the storm with the highest attained wind speed, all ties receiving the full three points. Two additional bonus points will be awarded for each full week any storm maintains hurricane winds.