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## BIG TEN/HOCKEY EAST CHALLENGE TO BE DECIDED THIS WEEKEND

**Wakefield, Mass.** - The Big Ten/Hockey East Challenge will be decided this weekend with the final seven games being played, including top-ranked Minnesota hosting No. 5 Boston College at Mariucci Arena for a two-game series beginning on Friday night at 8 p.m. on Big Ten Network.

Hockey East currently has a 9 to 4 edge in the points department, but six of the final seven games will be played in Big Ten arenas during the upcoming weekend. Hockey East went 4-1-1 in the first six games played this past weekend.

Eleven of the country's most storied college hockey programs are competing in the inaugural Big Ten/Hockey East Challenge, which includes 13 games between October 18 and 27.

The conference that records the most points from the 13 games will be declared the winner, with points being awarded as follows: two points for a win, one point for a tie and a bonus point for a road win. Should each conference record the same number of points, the results of the Penn State vs. Vermont game on neutral ice at the Wells Fargo Center, host of the 2014 NCAA Frozen Four, in Philadelphia, Pa., will serve as the tie-breaker.

The 17 schools that play in these two conferences have compiled an unparalleled record of success on the ice, combining to claim 33 national championships during the 66 seasons that the NCAA has sponsored the sport. Of the 11 schools participating in the inaugural Big Ten/Hockey East Challenge, five took part in last season's NCAA Championship.

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### 2013 BIG TEN/HOCKEY EAST CHALLENGE SCHEDULE/RESULTS

#### Friday, October 18

at No. 6 Boston College 9, No. 2 Wisconsin 2  
at Massachusetts 3, Michigan State 1  
at No. 13 New Hampshire 1, No. 5 Michigan 1 (OT)

**Points**  
HEA-2  
HEA-2  
B1G-1/HEA-1

#### Saturday, October 19

At Boston University 7, No. 2 Wisconsin 3  
at Massachusetts 5, Michigan State 2  
No. 5 Michigan 3 at No. 13 New Hampshire 2 (OT)

HEA-2  
HEA-2  
B1G-3

#### Friday, October 25

No. 14 Boston University at No. 4 Michigan  
UMass Lowell at Michigan State  
No. 5 Boston College at No. 1 Minnesota

**Time**  
7pm  
7pm  
8pm

**Television**  
XFINITY Channel 900  
Fox Sports Detroit  
Big Ten Network

#### Saturday, October 26

Vermont vs. Penn State  
No. 14 Boston University at Michigan State  
UMass Lowell at No. 4 Michigan

5pm  
7pm  
7pm

Comcast Philadelphia/New England (Tape Delayed, 9pm)  
N/A  
Fox Sports Detroit

#### Sunday, October 27

No. 5 Boston College at No. 1 Minnesota

2pm

Fox Sports North/Fox College Sports-Central/STO

(All time ET)

