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\sim HOCKEY EAST ANNOUNCES 2010-2011 MEN'S COMPOSITE SCHEDULE \sim

BOSTON - Hockey East Association Commissioner Joe Bertagna announced the 2010-2011 men's league composite schedule on Wednesday afternoon, which features a 27-game league schedule for each of the 10 member schools in addition to several highlighted non-conference matchups during the season.

The 2010-11 Hockey East season commences with eight exhibition games this coming weekend on Oct. 2 and 3.

The conference officially opens regular-season play in Hockey East's 27th season on Friday, Oct. 8 at Alfond Arena with Maine hosting UMass-Lowell and Providence hosting Northeastern that same night at Schneider Arena. Boston College will play Northeastern the next night in Northeastern's historic Matthews Arena.

The conference also features several intriguing non-conference match ups in the opening weekend. Massachusetts will travel to Minnesota's Mariucci Arena for a two-game series on Friday, October 8 and Saturday, October 9 in Minneapolis. Vermont will host WHCA foe Denver for a two-game set beginning on Friday, Oct. 8 at Gutterson Fieldhouse. Boston University will compete at the Ice Breaker Tournament in St. Louis, Mo. at the Scottrade Center, opening the season against WCHA opponent Wisconsin. UNH will travel to Miami for two games on Oct. 8 in Oxford, Ohio. Merrimack College will officially open its season on Oct. 9th at Niagara.

Hockey East and the CCHA will clash in eight games between the two leagues from Oct. 8 to Oct. 23. Some of the highlighted games on the schedule also include: the UNH at Miami series, Maine at Michigan State for a two-game set Oct. 14 and 15. UNH will host Michigan for a single game on Oct. 16 at the Whittemore Center in Durham, while Boston College will visit South Bend for a single game on Friday, Oct. 23.

The regular season schedule will determine the eight teams that qualify for the Hockey East Championship Tournament, which begins with the quarterfinal round on campus sites of the highest four seeds from on the weekend of March 11-13, 2011. The four quarterfinal winners will advance to the TD Garden in Boston for the semifinals and Championship Game on Friday, March 18 (5/8 p.m.) and Saturday, March 19 (7 p.m.). Tickets for the Hockey East Championship at the TD Garden will go on sale in early December and can be purchased by calling 800-745-3000 or visiting www.ticketmaster.com

2010-2011 Hockey East Men's Composite Schedule All games start at 7:00 p.m. EST unless otherwise indicated - All times Eastern (EST) Updated 9/29/10 * denotes Hockey East Game

OCTOBER

Saturday, October 2 St. Francis Xavier at UNH (Exh.) New Brunswick at Massachusetts (Exh., 3pm) Toronto at Boston U. (Exh.) Acadia at Northeastern (Exh.)

Sunday, October 3 New Brunswick at Vermont (Exh., 4pm) Acadia at Maine (Exh., 4pm) Toronto at Boston College (Exh., 4pm) St. Francis Xavier at UMass-Lowell (Exh., 3pm)

Friday, October 8
Northeastern at Providence *
UMass-Lowell at Maine *
Massachusetts at Minnesota (8pm)
UNH at Miami (7:30pm, CBSCS)
Denver at Vermont
Ice Breaker Tournament (at St. Louis, Mo.)
Boston University vs. Wisconsin (6:30pm)

Saturday, October 9 Boston College at Northeastern * Massachusetts at Minnesota (8pm) UNH at Miami Denver at Vermont Connecticut at Maine Merrimack at Niagara

Sunday, October 10 Ice Breaker Tournament (at St. Louis, Mo.) BU vs. Holy Cross/Notre Dame (12/3pm)

Thursday, October 14 Maine at Michigan State

Friday, October 15 Boston College at Denver (9:30pm) UMass-Lowell at Niagara Maine at Michigan State (7:30pm, CBSCS) Rensselaer at Northeastern Providence at Minnesota-Duluth

Saturday, October 16 Massachusetts at Boston U. * Michigan at UNH Connecticut at Merrimack Boston College at Denver (9pm) UMass-Lowell at RIT Providence at Minnesota-Duluth

Friday, October 22 Boston U. at Massachusetts * (NESN) UNH at Northeastern * (7:30pm) Providence at UMass-Lowell * North Dakota at Maine (7:30, CBSCS)

Saturday, October 23 Northeastern at UMass-Lowell * Providence at Boston U. * Merrimack at Vermont * Boston College at Notre Dame North Dakota at Maine

Friday, October 29 Boston U. at UMass-Lowell * Providence at Massachusetts * Merrimack at Boston College * Holy Cross at Northeastern (8pm) UNH at Cornell

Saturday, October 30 UMass-Lowell at Boston U. * Massachusetts at Providence * Boston College at Merrimack * Maine at Vermont * Bentley at Northeastern

NOVEMBER

Tuesday, November 2 UMass-Lowell at Boston College * Swedish Under-20 at Merrimack (Exh., 12pm)

Friday, November 5 UNH at Boston College * Vermont at UMass-Lowell * Merrimack at Providence * Niagara at Northeastern Army at Massachusetts

Saturday, November 6 Maine at Boston U. * Vermont at Providence * UNH at UMass-Lowell * Swedish Under-20 at UMass (Exh., 12pm)

Friday, November 12 Northeastern at Maine * Boston College at Vermont * Massachusetts at UNH * Merrimack at Boston U. * Providence at Alabama-Huntsville

Saturday, November 13 Northeastern at Maine * Boston College at Vermont * Massachusetts at UNH * Boston U. at Merrimack * Providence at Alabama-Huntsville

Friday, November 19 Boston U. at UNH * Maine at Boston College * Northeastern at Providence * Merrimack at UMass-Lowell *

Saturday, November 20 UNH at Boston U. * Providence at Northeastern * UMass-Lowell at Merrimack *

Sunday, November 21 Maine at Boston College * (1pm)

Tuesday, November 23 Vermont at Massachusetts * Brown at UNH

Friday, November 26 Northeastern at Vermont * Boston College at Merrimack * Minnesota State at UMass-Lowell

Saturday, November 27 Merrimack at UNH * Quinnipiac at Massachusetts Brown at Boston U. Providence at Holy Cross Minnesota State at UMass-Lowell (4pm)

Sunday, November 28 Vermont at Boston College * (4pm)

Tuesday, November 30 Merrimack at Harvard

DECEMBER

Thursday, December 2 UNH at UMass-Lowell *

Friday, December 3 Boston College at Boston U. * (7:30pm, CBSCS) Merrimack at Northeastern * Maine at Providence *

Saturday, December 4 Boston U. at Boston College * (8pm, CBSCS) Northeastern at Merrimack * Maine at Providence * UMass-Lowell at Massachusetts *

Sunday, December 5 Vermont at UNH * (4pm)

Tuesday, December 7 Providence at Brown

Wednesday, December 8 Northeastern at Boston U. Vermont at Yale

Friday, December 10 UNH at Maine * (7:30, CBSCS) UMass-Lowell at Princeton

Saturday, December 11 Quinnipiac at Providence (2pm) UMass-Lowell at Princeton Boston U. at Rensselaer

Sunday, December 12 Massachusetts at Maine * (4pm) Vermont at Dartmouth (4pm)

Saturday, December 18 Vermont at St. Lawrence

Wednesday, December 29
Florida College Classic (at Estero, Fla.)
Miami vs. Maine
U.S. National Univ. at Vermont (Exh., 8pm)
Thursday, December 30
Florida College Classic (at Estero, Fla.)
Maine vs. Cornell/St. Cloud (4/7:30pm)
Dartmouth Tournament (at Hanover, N.H.)
Boston College vs. Colgate (4pm)
Massachusetts at Wisconsin (8pm)
Merrimack at Army

Friday, December 31
Dartmouth Tournament (at Hanover, N.H.)
BC vs. Dartmouth/Mercyhurst (4/7pm)
Massachusetts at Wisconsin (8pm)

JANUARY

Saturday, January 1
Catamount Cup (at Burlington, Vt.)
Ohio State vs. Vermont
Chicago Tournament (at Hoffman Estates, III.)
Boston U. vs. Brown (4pm)
Merrimack at RIT
Providence at New Brunswick (Exh.)

Sunday, January 2 St. Lawrence at UNH (4pm) Catamount Cup (at Burlington, Vt.) Harvard vs, Vermont Chicago Tournament (at Hoffman Estates, III.) B. vs. Minn. State/Notre Dame (3/6pm) Providence at New Brunswick (Exh.) U.S. Under-18 Team at Maine (Exh., 4pm, at Portland, Maine)

Friday, January 7 Providence at Boston College * (7:30pm, NESN) Northeastern at Massachusetts * UMass-Lowell at UNH *

Saturday, January 8 Boston College at Providence * UNH at Massachusetts * Maine at Merrimack * (4pm) UMass-Lowell at Northeastern *

Sunday, January 9 Boston U. at Vermont * (CBSCS)

Wednesday, January 12 Boston U. at Merrimack *

Friday, January 14 Vermont at Northeastern * Providence at Maine * UMass at UMass-Lowell * (7:30pm, NESN) Merrimack vs. Alabama-Huntsville (at Nashville, Tenn., 8pm)

Saturday, January 15 Vermont at Northeastern * UMass-Lowell at Massachusetts * Harvard at Boston University (NESN) Dartmouth vs. UNH (at Manchester, N.H.) Merrimack vs. Alabama-Huntsville (at Nashville, Tenn., 2pm)

Sunday, January 16 Boston College at Maine * (CBSCS)

Wednesday, January 19 Harvard at Northeastern

Friday, January 21 Massachusetts at Vermont * Boston College at Boston U. * (7:30pm, NESN) UMass-Lowell at Merrimack * Providence at UNH *

Saturday, January 22 Massachusetts at Vermont * Maine at Northeastern * UMass-Lowell at Boston College * Boston U. at UNH * Sunday, January 23 U.S. Under-18 Team at Providence (Exh.)

Tuesday, January 25 Bentley at UMass-Lowell

Friday, January 28 Vermont at Merrimack * Boston U. at Maine * UNH at Providence * UMass at Northeastern * (7:30pm, NESN)

Saturday, January 29 Vermont at Merrimack * (7:30pm, NESN) Boston U. at Maine * Providence at UNH * Northeastern at Massachusetts * Boston College at UMass-Lowell *

FEBRUARY

Friday, February 4
Maine at UNH * (7:30pm, NESN)
Providence at Vermont *
Massachusetts at Boston College *
UMass-Lowell at Boston U. *
Merrimack at Northeastern *

Saturday, February 5
Maine at UNH *
Providence at Vermont *
Massachusetts at Merrimack *

Monday, February 7 59th annual Beanpot Tournament Harvard vs. Northeastern (5pm, NESN) Boston College vs. Boston U. (8pm, NESN)

Friday, February 11 Vermont at Maine * Merrimack at UNH * Northeastern at UMass-Lowell * Boston U. at UMass * (7:30pm, CBSCS) Boston College at Providence *

Saturday, February 12 Vermont at Maine * UNH at Merrimack * Providence at Massachusetts *

Monday, February 14 59th annual Beanpot Tournament Consolation Game (5pm) Championship Game (8pm, NESN)

Friday, February 18 UNH at Vermont * (7:30p, CBSCS) Maine at UMass-Lowell * Northeastern at Boston College * Merrimack at Massachusetts * Providence at Boston U. *

Saturday, February 19 UNH at Vermont * Maine at UMass-Lowell * (7:30pm, NESN) BC at Northeastern * (7:30pm) Massachusetts at Merrimack * Boston U. at Providence * Friday, February 25 Vermont at Boston U. * (7:30pm, NESN) Merrimack at Maine * Boston College at Massachusetts * UMass-Lowell at Providence * Northeastern at UNH *

Saturday, February 26 Vermont at Boston U. * (6pm, NESN) Merrimack at Maine * Massachusetts at Boston College * Providence at UMass-Lowell * UNH at Northeastern *

MARCH

Friday, March 4 UNH at Boston College * (7:30pm, NESN) Boston U. at Northeastern * Providence at Merrimack * UMass-Lowell at Vermont * Maine at Massachusetts *

Saturday, March 5 Boston College at UNH * Northeastern at Boston U. * Merrimack at Providence * UMass-Lowell at Vermont * Maine at Massachusetts *

HOCKEY EAST TOURNAMENT

Friday, March 11 - Sunday, March 13 Quarterfinals at campus sites

Friday, March 18 Semifinals at TD Garden (5/8pm, NESN)

Saturday, March 19 Championship at TD Garden (7pm, NESN)

NCAA TOURNAMENT (Times TBA)

Friday, March 25
East Regional at Arena at Harboryard
(Bridgeport, Conn.)
West Regional at Scottrade Center
(St. Louis, Mo.)

Saturday, March 26 Midwest Regional at Resch Center (Green Bay, Wis.) Northeast Regional at Verizon Wireless Arena (Manchester, N.H.) West Regional Final East Regional Final

Sunday, March 27 Midwest Regional Final Northeast Regional Final

FROZEN FOUR (Times TBA)

Thursday, April 7 at XCel Energy Center (at St. Paul, Minn.) NCAA Semifinals (ESPN2)

Saturday, April 9 at Xcel Energy Center NCAA Championship Game (ESPN)