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Hockey East Women's Tournament Field Set

20th Annual Hockey East Tournament Begins Wednesday

AMESBURY, Mass. - The Hockey East Association today announced the field for the 2022 Hockey East Women's Tournament. For the first time ever, the Hockey East Women's Tournament will feature all 10 member programs in a single elimination format hosted entirely on campus by the higher seed in each game. A full schedule can be found below.

The Opening Round begins Wednesday, Feb. 23 as No.7 seed Providence (15-13-6/12-12-3 HE) hosts No. 10 Holy Cross (3-29-0/1-26-0 HE) at Schneider Arena. It will be the first-ever post season meeting between the Friars and the Crusaders. Providence has never lost to Holy Cross during the Crusaders' four-year tenure in Hockey East, posting a perfect 12-0-0 mark. This season, the two programs dueled three straight times, including back-to-back overtime victories for Providence. Holy Cross is 0-1 all time in the Hockey East Tournament while Providence claims a 19-21 mark.

No. 8 New Hampshire (11-20-2/9-16-1 HE) makes its 19th appearance in the Hockey East postseason and will play No. 9 Merrimack (7-24-1/6-20-1 HE) for the first-time ever in the tournament. The Wildcats are tied for the most Tournament titles of any league program with four, their last coming in 2009. The Warriors enter the Hockey East Tournament for the third time in program history and searching for their first postseason win. Merrimack went 1-2-0 against New Hampshire in 2021-22, including a 3-2 overtime win on Nov. 12, and two one-goal setbacks.

Northeastern (27-4-2/21-3-2 HE) claims the top seed in the Hockey East Tournament for the fourth straight year and are searching for an unprecedented fifth consecutive Bertagna Trophy as league champions. The Huskies will welcome the lowest remaining seed from the Opening Round. The other winner will travel north to Burlington to face the University of Vermont (21-10-3/18-7-2 HE), which finished second in the Army ROTC Hockey East Standings, the Catamounts' highest-ever regular season in Hockey East. The Huskies will play host at 7:30pm on Saturday, February 26 on NESN+, while the Catamounts are set to drop the puck at noon on the same day.

No. 3 UConn (22-8-4/16-7-4 HE) earned the right to host a quarterfinal game and will welcome No. 6 Boston University (12-14-6/11-9-5 HE) to Freitas Ice Forum on Saturday, Feb. 26, just the third time the Huskies have finished third or better in the regular season standings. Boston University holds a 2-0 advantage over UConn all-time in the Hockey East Tournament, including a 2-1 overtime win in the 2010 title game. The Huskies are 14-20 in the league postseason while the Terriers boast a 25-13 mark.

No. 4 Boston College (19-13-1/16-9-1 HE) will take on No. 5 Maine (14-18-1/12-13-1 HE) at Conte Forum on Friday, Feb. 25 at 1:00pm in a quarterfinal match up. The Eagles look to advance to the semifinals for the first time since 2019 after last winning the Bertagna Trophy in 2017. Boston College is 3-0 all-time against the Black Bears in the Hockey East Tournament, all three victories coming in quarterfinal contests. Maine has appeared in the semifinals in three of the last four tournaments (2018, 2020, 2021) but has never advanced to the final in six attempts.

Semifinals are set tentatively set for 3:00pm and 6:30pm on Wednesday, March 2, while the Championship will be played Saturday, March 5 at 7:00pm live on NESN+ for just the second time ever. Tickets are available via the host institution for each game.

In 2021-22, the Hockey East women's league standings and tournament seeding was determined by points percentage, calculated as the amount of points won divided by the total amount of points available to each team. Hockey East awards three points for a win in regulation, two points for a win in overtime or a shootout, one point for a loss in overtime or a shootout and zero points for a loss in regulation.

2022 Hockey East Women's Tournament Schedule

Date	Match Up	Time	TV/Streaming
Wed., Feb. 23	#10 Holy Cross at #7 Providence	7:00pm	College SportsLive
Wed., Feb. 23	#9 Merrimack at #8 New Hampshire	7:00pm	NESN+/College SportsLive
Fri., Feb. 25	#5 Maine at #4 Boston College	1:00pm	College SportsLive
Sat., Feb. 26	TBD at #2 Vermont	12:00pm	College SportsLive
Sat., Feb. 26	#6 Boston University at #3 UConn	3:00pm	College SportsLive
Sat., Feb. 26	TBD at #1 Northeastern	7:30pm	NESN+/College SportsLive
Wed., March 2	Semifinal #1	3:00pm	NESN/College SportsLive
Wed., March 2	Semifinal #2	6:30pm	NESN/College SportsLive
Sat., March 5	20th Hockey East Women's Championship	7:00pm	NESN+/College SportsLive

Schedule is tentative and subject to change.

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