

New Member Block Seating SGA & IFC Agreement

On 7/8/15, the Executive Officers from both the Student Government Association (SGA) and the Interfraternity Council (IFC) held a meeting regarding the creation of a new section of the stadium, which would be reserved specifically for New Members of IFC member organizations. This document outlines the policies and enforcement responsibilities for the IFC New Member Block.

An adaptable number of rows will be reserved for IFC New Members and their dates in Section 17, 18, and potentially 19 in Jordan-Hare Stadium.

- The rows reserved will begin at the top of the stadium and will extend down.
- Our anticipated attendance for new members and dates at each game will be approximately (900 total new members * 70% attendance at each game on average * 2, assuming that every pledge brings a date) \approx 1,300 people.
- Fraternities will be able to self-report how many rows they would like to reserve on a week-by-week basis depending on how many new members they have going to the game. This number will be communicated to SGA and IFC no later than 10:00pm on the Wednesday night prior to each home game. This number will be submitted via the IFC website in a form located at:
<https://cws.auburn.edu/IFC/pm/pledgeblock>
- Priority for which rows a given fraternity's new members will occupy will be based on the total chapter GPA from the spring 2015 IFC Chapter Grade Report for the football season of fall 2015. Thereafter, priority ranking will be based on each chapter's New Member GPA from the prior fall semester.
- Rows will be labeled according to which organization has priority to them.

ENFORCEMENT

1. Rows will be reserved for members of the labeled organization and their dates up until 1 hour prior to kickoff. After that point, the rows will become first-come-first-serve to any student who would like to sit in those rows regardless of labels.
2. If a fraternity's new members fail to fully occupy their rows at 1 hour prior to kickoff, they will be penalized and placed at the end of the GPA priority queue for receiving rows in the following weeks.
3. Disciplinary issues that may arise between participating organizations will be adjudicated through the IFC Judicial Process.
4. If any IFC fraternity new member class is alleged to be "saving seats" in an area outside of the designated "new member block," their chapter will be adjudicated through the IFC Judicial Process, as this is considered by SGA, IFC, and Auburn Athletics to be a disruption to the game day experience.

5. New members may not be required or allowed to save seats for the fraternity brothers in any area, including the new member block.
6. Fraternity brothers may not include themselves or their dates in the number submitted for the new member block. This section is for new members and their dates only.
7. In the event of a conflict or disruption to gameday procedure or safety, fraternities held responsible will be dealt with during the week directly following the conflict in a manner IFC deems appropriate.
8. Any failure to comply with the policies outlined above or any behavior that either breaches safety in the student section or disrupts the game day experience will be adjudicated through the IFC Judicial Process.

All parties agree that IFC enforcement of the above policies is paramount to the success of this new system, as well as establishing full cooperation amongst its members.