



## Northeast Passage Wildcats To Compete In Sled Hockey Tournament

Prudential Northeast Sled Hockey League Championship - March 24 & 25, 2007

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DURHAM, N.H. -- The Northeast Passage Wildcats, the University of New Hampshire's sled hockey team, will be competing for the Prudential Northeast Sled Hockey League championship March 24 and 25. Northeast Passage is a program of the University of New Hampshire and offers adaptive sports and health promotion programs to people with disabilities.

- Sled hockey teams from New Hampshire, Maine, Connecticut, New York and Pennsylvania will compete for the Prudential Northeast Sled Hockey League championship in the Lobsterpot Tournament.
- Saturday, March 24, 2007 (games start at 11:00 am) and Sunday, March 25 (games start at 9:00 am)
- Family Ice Center, 20 Hat Trick Drive, Falmouth, Maine
- Free and open to the public

Sled hockey is the version of ice hockey played primarily by people with mobility impairments. The game is essentially the same as "stand-up" ice hockey, with the major difference being that all players sit in a sled which is attached to two hockey skate blades under the seat. In the most competitive games, hard checking, raised puck shooting, and penalty killing are as much a part of sled hockey as they are in "stand-up" hockey.

The Prudential Northeast Sled Hockey League was developed in 2005 to foster local level team competition. The league is made up of five adult teams from around the northeast region of the United States. Teams come together for one "game day" each month of the season (December – March). The championship tournament is based on overall results. The league is sponsored by Prudential Financial.

For more information, visit [www.neshl.org](http://www.neshl.org) or contact Northeast Passage at 603-862-0070.