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TRIPLE-A CLASSIFICATION TO ADD 10 GAMES TO 2021 SCHEDULE

“Triple-A Final Stretch” reschedules five home games, five road games in tournament format

New York, NY, July 14, 2021 — Minor League Baseball™ (MiLB™) and Major League Baseball™ (MLB™) today announced the rescheduling of 10 games at the Triple-A level that were postponed at the start of the 2021 season. The rescheduled games will be played in a new postseason tournament format called the “Triple-A Final Stretch” and will follow the current 120-game Triple-A championship season schedule. All 30 Triple-A Clubs will play five home games and five road games during the Final Stretch.

For each the Triple-A East and Triple-A West, a **2021 Regular Season Champion** will be named based on overall winning percentage through the originally scheduled championship season (concluding Sept. 19 and Sept. 21, respectively). Among the 30 Clubs, a single **2021 Triple-A Final Stretch Winner** will also be crowned based on the highest overall winning percentage during this 10-game stretch. The winning Club will be awarded a prize from Major League Baseball.

“We think this format will add excitement to the end of the season while also allowing our teams a chance to reschedule games that were lost earlier in the year,” said Major League Baseball Senior Vice President, Minor League Operations and Development **Peter Woodfork**. “With all 30 teams participating in this Final Stretch, all Triple-A players and communities will have the opportunity to win this year’s postseason tournament.”



The following tiebreakers will apply to determine the two Regular Season Champions as well as the Final Stretch winner:

1. Best regular season winning percentage.
2. Regular season head-to-head record (*if three or more clubs are tied, the best winning percentage in games among the Clubs*).
3. Best regular season winning percentage over the final 20 games.
4. Best regular season winning percentage over the final 21 games, etc.

The schedule for the Triple-A Final Stretch is attached and the matchups are as follows:

WEEK 1		WEEK 2	
AWAY	HOME	AWAY	HOME
Lehigh Valley	Buffalo	Buffalo	Syracuse
Rochester	Worcester	Worcester	Lehigh Valley
Syracuse	Scranton-WB	Scranton-WB	Rochester
Columbus	Nashville	Louisville	Columbus
Indianapolis	Omaha	Nashville	Indianapolis
Iowa	St. Paul	Omaha	Iowa
Toledo	Louisville	St. Paul	Toledo
Norfolk	Charlotte	Charlotte	Memphis
Gwinnett	Durham	Durham	Norfolk
Memphis	Jacksonville	Jacksonville	Gwinnett
Reno	Albuquerque	Albuquerque	Sacramento
Sugar Land	El Paso	El Paso	Oklahoma City
Oklahoma City	Las Vegas	Round Rock	Sugar Land
Tacoma	Round Rock	Las Vegas	Reno
Sacramento	Salt Lake	Salt Lake	Tacoma