

Big Ten reveals 2018, 2019 Iowa football schedules

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The Big Ten announced conference schedules for the 2018 and 2019 football seasons Wednesday and the big story here is Iowa and Nebraska continuing to play each other on Black Friday.

Since Nebraska became an official member of the Big Ten, the Hawkeyes and Cornhuskers have met annually on Black Friday and are now scheduled to do so for at least the next seven years now.

As far as the rest of Iowa's 2018 and 2019 Big Ten schedules are concerned, the only East Division teams not featured are Michigan State and Ohio State. The Hawkeyes will play Penn State both seasons, with the 2018 meeting taking place in State College, Pa., and the 2019 match-up at Kinnick Stadium. In 2018, Iowa will play at Indiana and against Maryland in Iowa City. As for 2019, Rutgers will make its first visit to Kinnick Stadium on Sept. 7 of that year, and the Hawkeyes will also play at Michigan.

Iowa will open Big Ten play at home both seasons. In addition to the match-up with Rutgers in 2019, the Hawkeyes' Big Ten opener in 2018 will come on Sept. 22 at Kinnick Stadium against Wisconsin. Iowa's three other road games along with Indiana and Penn State that season are against Minnesota, Purdue and Illinois. Northwestern pays a visit Nov. 10 to Kinnick Stadium, as does Nebraska on Nov. 23.

In 2019, three weeks separate the Big Ten opener against Rutgers and the Hawkeyes' trip to the Big House on Oct. 5. Purdue, Minnesota and Illinois all visit Kinnick Stadium and

Iowa will play consecutive road games against Northwestern and Wisconsin with a bye week in between, plus the Black Friday contest that season at Nebraska on Nov. 29.

Below are the new complete 2018 and 2019 conference schedules for Iowa. Non-conference games for both seasons are still to be determined:

2018:

9/22/2018 – vs. Wisconsin

10/6/2018 – at Minnesota

10/13/2018 – at Indiana

10/20/2018 – vs. Maryland

10/27/2018 – at Penn State

11/3/2018 – at Purdue

11/10/2018 – vs. Northwestern

11/17/2018 – at Illinois

11/23/2018 – vs. Nebraska

2019:

9/7/2019 – vs. Rutgers

10/5/2019 – at Michigan

10/12/2019 – vs. Penn State

10/19/2019 – vs. Purdue

10/26/2019 – at Northwestern

11/9/2019 – at Wisconsin

11/16/2019 – vs. Minnesota

11/23/2019 – vs. Illinois

11/29/2019 – at Nebraska