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BLACKHAWKS ANNOUNCE 2012-13 LOCAL AND NATIONAL TELEVISION SCHEDULE

START TIMES ALTERED FOR SIX CONTESTS

In conjunction with the NHL, the Chicago Blackhawks today announced its 2012-13 regular-season local and national television schedule. Nationally, the Blackhawks will appear exclusively on NBC (including NBC and NBC Sports Network) a total of 11 times, the maximum allowed per the League's national television agreement. Locally, 71 Blackhawks games will air on Comcast SportsNet Chicago and WGN-TV Channel 9, the organization's official television partners. A complete regular-season television schedule is attached, including six start time changes as a result of the national television schedule.

Chicago's eighth consecutive campaign on Comcast SportsNet features 51 contests, beginning with the season opener against the Columbus Blue Jackets at the United Center on Saturday, Oct. 13 at 7:30 p.m. CT. "Blackhawks Pregame Live" will air prior to the majority of games on Comcast SportsNet with "Blackhawks Postgame Live" immediately following each contest.

The Blackhawks fifth consecutive season on WGN-TV Channel 9 launches on Saturday, Oct. 20 at 7:30 p.m. CT when the team hosts the Detroit Red Wings at the United Center in a matchup of the two Original Six rivals. Chicago makes 20 appearances on the station, which was also its home from 1961 to 1975. Veteran announcers Pat Foley and Eddie Olczyk will provide the coverage on each Comcast SportsNet and WGN-TV local broadcast, all of which can be seen in high definition.

In addition to airing locally on Comcast SportsNet Chicago, Blackhawks home games on Nov. 5 (vs. Pittsburgh), Feb. 19 (vs. Detroit) and April 1 (vs. Minnesota) will also be broadcast nationally on NBC, increasing the Blackhawks' total national television appearances to 14.

<u>Date</u>	Opponent	Venue	Channel	Time (CT)
Mon, Nov. 5	vs. Pittsburgh Penguins	United Center	NBC	7:00 p.m.*
Wed, Nov. 28	at Minnesota Wild	Xcel Energy Center	NBC	7:00 p.m.
Wed, Jan. 2	vs. New York Rangers	United Center	NBC	7:00 p.m.
Sun, Jan. 6	vs. Detroit Red Wings	United Center	NBC	7:00 p.m.
Wed, Jan. 16	vs. St. Louis Blues	United Center	NBC	7:00 p.m.
Sun, Jan. 20	vs. Philadelphia	United Center	NBC	6:30 p.m.
Wed, Feb. 13	at Detroit Red Wings	Joe Louis Arena	NBC	6:30 p.m.
Sun, Feb. 17	vs. Boston Bruins	United Center	NBC	2:30 p.m.
Tue, Feb. 19	vs. Detroit Red Wings	United Center	NBC	7:00 p.m.*
Sun, March 3	at Detroit Red Wings	Joe Louis Arena	NBC	6:30 p.m.
Wed, March 6	vs. Colorado Avalanche	United Center	NBC	7:00 p.m.
Sun, March 10	at Philadelphia Flyers	Wells Fargo Center	NBC	2:00 p.m.
Sun, March 31	at Detroit Red Wings	Joe Louis Arena	NBC	6:30 p.m.
Mon, April 1	vs. Minnesota Wild	United Center	NBC	7:00 p.m.*

^{*} Indicates game is not exclusive to NBC and will also be broadcast in Chicago market on Comcast SportsNet

In addition to regular-season coverage, three Blackhawks games will be televised during the 2012 preseason, two on Comcast SportsNet and one on WGN-TV.

Every game in 2012-13 can be heard on the radio home of the Blackhawks, WGN Radio AM-720, with John Wiedeman and Troy Murray calling the action. The station will also carry four live preseason games over the air.

In conjunction with the announcement of the NHL's national broadcast schedule in the United States and Canada, start times for six Blackhawks games during the 2012-13 regular-season campaign have been adjusted from those previously announced. The complete list of time changes is below:

<u>Date</u>	Opponent	Venue	New Time (CT)	Old Time (CT)
Mon, Nov. 5	vs. Pittsburgh Penguins	United Center	7:00 p.m.	7:30 p.m.
Tue, Dec. 4	at Montreal Canadians	Bell Centre	6:30 p.m.	6:00 p.m.
Fri, Feb. 1	at Calgary Flames	Scotiabank Saddledome	8:30 p.m.	8:00 p.m.
Sun, Feb. 17	vs. Boston Bruins	United Center	2:30 p.m.	6:30 p.m.
Tue, Feb. 19	vs. Detroit Red Wings	United Center	7:00 p.m.	7:30 p.m.
Mon, April 1	vs. Minnesota Wild	United Center	7:00 p.m.	7:30 p.m.

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