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## 2018 NHL STANLEY CUP PLAYOFFS FIRST ROUND SCHEDULE

**NEW YORK (April 8, 2018) –** The National Hockey League today announced the dates, starting times and national television coverage for the 2018 NHL Stanley Cup Playoffs First Round, which begins Wednesday, April 11.

All times listed are ET and subject to change.

EASTERN CONFERENCE					
Date	Time (ET)	#1 Tampa Bay vs. #4 New Jo	ersey Networks		
Thursday, April 12	7 p.m.	New Jersey at Tampa Bay	NHL Network, SN, TVA Sports		
Saturday, April 14	3 p.m.	New Jersey at Tampa Bay	NBC, CNBC, SN360, TVA Sports		
Monday, April 16	7:30 p.m.	Tampa Bay at New Jersey	CNBC, SN, TVA Sports		
Wednesday, April 18	7:30 p.m.	Tampa Bay at New Jersey	GOLF, SN, TVA Sports		
*Saturday, April 21	TBD	New Jersey at Tampa Bay	TBD		
*Monday, April 23	TBD	Tampa Bay at New Jersey	TBD		
*Wednesday, April 25	TBD	New Jersey at Tampa Bay	TBD		
Date	Time (ET)	#2 Boston vs. #3 Toronto	Networks		
Thursday, April 12	7 p.m.	Toronto at Boston	NBCSN, CBC, TVA Sports		
Saturday, April 14	8 p.m.	Toronto at Boston	NBC, CBC, TVA Sports		
Monday, April 16	7 p.m.	Boston at Toronto	CBC, TVA Sports, NBCSN		
Thursday, April 19	7 p.m.	Boston at Toronto	CBC, TVA Sports, NBCSN		
*Saturday, April 21	TBD	Toronto at Boston	TBD		
*Monday, April 23	TBD	Boston at Toronto	TBD		
*Wednesday, April 25	TBD	Toronto at Boston	TBD		
Date Time (ET) #1 Washington vs. #4 Columbus Networks					
Thursday, April 12	7:30 p.m.	Columbus at Washington	USA, SN360, TVA Sports		
Sunday, April 15	7:30 p.m.	Columbus at Washington	NBCSN, SN360, TVA Sports		
Tuesday, April 17	7:30 p.m.	Washington at Columbus	NBCSN, SN360, TVA Sports		
Thursday, April 19	7:30 p.m.	Washington at Columbus	USA, SN, TVA Sports		
*Saturday, April 21	TBD	Columbus at Washington	TBD		
*Monday, April 23	TBD	Washington at Columbus	TBD		
*Wednesday, April 25	TBD	Columbus at Washington	TBD		
Date	Time (ET)	#2 Pittsburgh vs. #3 Philade	elphia Networks		
Wednesday, April 11	7 p.m.	Philadelphia at Pittsburgh	NBCSN, CBC, TVA Sports		
Friday, April 13	7 p.m.	Philadelphia at Pittsburgh	NBCSN, CBC, TVA Sports		
Sunday, April 15	3 p.m.	Pittsburgh at Philadelphia	NBC, CBC, TVA Sports		
Wednesday, April 18	7 p.m.	Pittsburgh at Philadelphia	NBCSN, CBC, TVA Sports		
*Friday, April 20	TBD	Philadelphia at Pittsburgh	TBD		
*Sunday, April 22	TBD	Pittsburgh at Philadelphia	TBD		
*Tuesday, April 24	TBD	Philadelphia at Pittsburgh	TBD		

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WESTERN CONFERENCE					
Date	Time (ET)	#1 Nashville vs. #4 Colorado			
Thursday, April 12	9:30 p.m.	Colorado at Nashville	NBCSN, SN, TVA Sports		
Saturday, April 14	3 p.m.	Colorado at Nashville	NBC, CNBC, SN, TVA Sports		
Monday, April 16	10 p.m.	Nashville at Colorado	NBCSN, SN, TVA Sports		
Wednesday, April 18	10 p.m.	Nashville at Colorado	NBCSN, SN, TVA Sports		
*Friday, April 20	TBD	Colorado at Nashville	TBD		
*Sunday, April 22	TBD	Nashville at Colorado	TBD		
*Tuesday, April 24	TBD	Colorado at Nashville	TBD		
Date	Time (ET)	#2 Winnipeg vs. #3 Minneson	ta Networks		
Wednesday, April 11	7 p.m.	Minnesota at Winnipeg	SN, TVA Sports, CNBC		
Friday, April 13	7:30 p.m.	Minnesota at Winnipeg	SN, TVA Sports, USA		
Sunday, April 15	7 p.m.	Winnipeg at Minnesota	USA, SN, TVA Sports		
Tuesday, April 17	8 p.m.	Winnipeg at Minnesota	CNBC, SN, TVA Sports		
*Friday, April 20	TBD	Minnesota at Winnipeg	TBD		
*Sunday, April 22	TBD	Winnipeg at Minnesota	TBD		
*Wednesday, April 25	TBD	Minnesota at Winnipeg	TBD		
Date	Time (ET)	#1 Vegas vs. #4 Los Angeles	s Networks		
Wednesday, April 11	10 p.m.	Los Angeles at Vegas	NBCSN, CBC, TVA Sports		
Friday, April 13	10 p.m.	Los Angeles at Vegas	NBCSN, CBC, TVA Sports		
Sunday, April 15	10:30 p.m.	Vegas at Los Angeles	NBCSN, CBC, TVA Sports		
Tuesday, April 17	10:30 p.m.	Vegas at Los Angeles	NBCSN, CBC, TVA Sports		
*Thursday, April 19	10 p.m.	Los Angeles at Vegas	NBCSN, CBC, TVA Sports		
*Saturday, April 21	TBĎ	Vegas at Los Angeles	TBD		
*Monday, April 23	TBD	Los Angeles at Vegas	TBD		
Date	Time (ET)	#2 Anaheim vs. #3 San Jose	Networks		
Thursday, April 12	10:30 p.m.	San Jose at Anaheim	USA, SN360, TVA Sports		
Saturday, April 14	10:30 p.m.	San Jose at Anaheim	NBCSN, SN360, TVA Sports		
Monday, April 16	10:30 p.m.	Anaheim at San Jose	CNBC, SN1, TVA Sports		
Wednesday, April 18	10:30 p.m.	Anaheim at San Jose	GOLF, SN1, TVA Sports		
*Friday, April 20	TBD <sup>·</sup>	San Jose at Anaheim	TBD		
*Sunday, April 22	TBD	Anaheim at San Jose	TBD		
*Tuesday, April 24	TBD	San Jose at Anaheim	TBD		
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TBD - To Be Determined

Starting times and national broadcast information for games listed TBD will be announced when available.

For the 2018 Stanley Cup Playoffs Bracket Challenge, please visit: http://NHL.com/bracket.

NHL Network's extensive coverage of the 2018 Stanley Cup Playoffs will begin Monday, April 9 with an in-depth preview of the First Round with *NHL Tonight: Western Conference Playoff Preview* at 6:00 p.m. ET. Later that night, NHL Network's **Mike Johnson**, **Brian Lawton**, Hockey Hall of Famer **Scott Stevens**, **Kevin Weekes** and **Tony Luftman** will analyze all 16 playoff teams in *NHL Network Roundtable: Stanley Cup Playoffs* at 8:00 p.m. ET. *NHL Tonight: Eastern Conference Playoff Preview* will air the following night, April 10 at 6:00 p.m. ET and NHL Network will air live coverage before and after every Stanley Cup Playoff game, including analysis and demonstrations on *NHL Tonight. NHL Now* will also recap and preview each playoff matchup weekdays at 4:00 p.m. ET, including NHL Network's **Jackie Redmond** reporting live on-site from the Golden Knights' historic first-ever playoff game this Wednesday. Additional programming details will be announced as necessary.