

BY-LAW ARTICLE XXV

Lacrosse

Girls

Sect. 1: Lacrosse for girls shall be administered by the NHIAA Girls Lacrosse Committee and the rules of the US Lacrosse will govern the sport when applicable.

Sect. 2: Medical Coverage

Medical coverage as stated under By-Law Article III, Sect. 1 must be provided for all levels of practices and games (sub-varsity and varsity).

Sect. 3: Criteria of Play

- A. The Committee will annually approve schedules of teams participating in lacrosse.
- B. All teams must complete their entire schedule, which was submitted to the NHIAA. To be eligible for tournament play and seeding, the Girls Lacrosse Committee will consider completed schedules only. Any scheduled game not played will be forfeited by both teams unless the circumstances are made known to the Executive Director of the NHIAA prior to the pairings date.
- C. If a regular season game is postponed, the schools involved are to reschedule the game on the next available date. No make-up games may be scheduled during the final week of the season unless they are games that were regularly scheduled for that week. Games postponed prior to the final week must have been made up before that date. Exceptions to this will be made only with prior approval of the NHIAA Girls Lacrosse Committee through the Executive Director.
- D. Girls' varsity and sub-varsity lacrosse will have 25 minute halves; if games are back to back the varsity will have 25 minute halves; and the sub-varsity will have 20 minute halves.
- E. The games with NHIAA member schools in your division will be the only contests used in determining seeding for the NHIAA Girls Lacrosse Tournament. The remaining contests may be played against NHIAA teams in another division or other high school teams from bordering states.
- F. Lacrosse schools may play an NHIAA member school three (3) times with only the first two (2) games played with the same school counting toward standings.

Sect. 4: Divisional Alignment

Girl’s lacrosse shall be aligned into three (3) divisions based upon enrollments and petitions subject to the approval of the Classification Committee.

2011-12 Girls Lacrosse Divisional Alignment

DIV. I (1700+)		DIV. II (1025–1699)		DIV. III (1–1024)	
11 Teams		16 Teams		14 Teams	
Pinkerton	3325	Keene	1654	Con-Val	1011
Nashua - South	2226	Dover	1563	Pembroke	946
Man. Central	2220	Spaulding	1550	Merr. Valley	910
Man. Memorial	2092	Merrimack	1514	Kingswood	872
Nashua - North	2003	Timberlane	1477	John Stark	838
Concord	1878	Man. West	1383	Laconia	782
Salem	1850	Winnacunnet	1265	Plymouth	748
Londonderry	1765	Goffstown	1235	Windham	734
Exeter	1701	Bedford	1223	Oyster River	698
*Hollis/Brookline	903	Portsmouth	1048	Pelham	690
*Souhegan	894	*Bishop Guertin	886	Kearsarge	640
		*Hanover	740	Gilford	571
		*Lebanon	698	Hopkinton	338
*Petition		*St. Thomas	676	Derryfield	248
		*Bow	613		
		*Bishop Brady	369		

Sect. 5: Practice Requirements

Scrimmages against other schools shall not be permitted during the first five (5) days of practice or after the first scheduled game. This regulation applies to all sub-varsity and varsity teams.

Sect. 6: Tournament Format

Eight (8) teams in each division will qualify for the tournaments.

Sect. 7: Tournament Officials

Officials for all playoff games will be selected by a committee composed of the Chairman of the Lacrosse Committee, the Supervisor of Lacrosse Officials and the Executive Director of the NHIAA. Input shall be received by the Committee Members.

Sect. 8: Awards

Official NHIAA championship and runner-up plaques, in addition to 30 team medals, will be awarded to the respective champion and runner-up team in each division.

Sect. 9: Tournament Rosters

Each school will be allowed a maximum of 30 individuals, with no more than 25 of them being players in uniform. The remainder of the roster will include one (1) head coach, two (2) assistant coaches, and two (2) managers. If a team is going to make the tournament, a team photo (in uniform, no mascot allowed) MUST be submitted.