

BY-LAW ARTICLE XXIII

Lacrosse

Boys

Sect. 1: Lacrosse for boys shall be administered by the NHIAA Lacrosse Committee and the rules of the NFHS will govern the boys sport.

Sect. 2: Medical Coverage

Medical coverage as stated under By-Law Article I, Sect. 17 must be provided for all levels of practices and games (varsity and sub-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 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 seeding meeting.
- 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 Lacrosse Committee through the Executive Director.
- D. Boys varsity lacrosse games will have four 12-minute periods; sub-varsity will have four 10-minute periods and there will be a 10-minute halftime.
- E. The games with NHIAA member schools in your division will be the only contests used in determining seeding for the NHIAA 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 times with only the first two (2) games played with the same school counting toward standings.

Sect. 4: 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 varsity and sub-varsity teams.

Sect. 5: Tournament Format

Eight (8) teams will qualify for the Division I and II tournament. Twelve teams will qualify for Division III tournament.

Sect. 6: Tournament Officials

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

Sect. 7: Awards

Official NHIAA championship and runner-up plaques, in addition to forty (40) individual medals, will be awarded to the respective champion and runner-up teams in each division.

Sect. 8: Tournament Rosters

Each school will be allowed a maximum of forty (40) individuals, with no more than thirty-five (35) of them being players in uniform.

Sect. 9: Classification of Boys Lacrosse Schools

Lacrosse schools shall be classified into three divisions for boys based upon enrollments and petitions subject to the approval of the Classification Committee.

2009-10 Boys Lacrosse Classification					
Division I (1800+)		Division II (1050-1799)		Division III (1-1200)	
13 Schools		14 Schools		18 Schools	
Pinkerton	3331	Spaulding	1768	Pembroke	1045
Nashua – South	2287	Keene	1762	Hollis/Brookline	952
Salem	2263	Dover	1671	Kingswood	947
Man. Memorial	2165	Merrimack	1593	Kennett	945
Man. Central	2159	Timberlane	1590	John Stark	890
Nashua – North	2054	Winnacunnet	1324	Merr. Valley	884
Concord	1877	Goffstown	1289	Milford	872
Londonderry	1827	Bedford	1172	Laconia	822
Man. West	1809	Con-Val	1087	Plymouth	817
*Exeter	1654	Portsmouth	1067	Monadnock	787
*Souhegan	970	*St. Thomas	721	Lebanon	761
*Bishop Guertin	885	*Oyster River	710	Pelham	700
*Hanover	746	*Bow	669	Stevens	667
		*Bishop Brady	443	Kearsarge	665
				Gilford	572
				Trinity	470
				Hopkinton	355
*By Petition				Derryfield	246