

## **BY-LAW ARTICLE XXIV**

### **Lacrosse**

#### **Girls**

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

#### **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. Girls' varsity lacrosse and sub-varsity 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 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, II, and 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 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 thirty (30) individual medals, will be awarded to the respective champion and runner-up team in each division.

#### **Sect. 8: Tournament Rosters**

Each school will be allowed a maximum of thirty (30) individuals, with no more than twenty-five (25) of them being players in uniform.

**Sect. 9: Classification of Girls Lacrosse Schools**

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

<b>2009-10 Girls Lacrosse Classification</b>					
<b>Division I (1800+)</b>		<b>Division II (1050-1799)</b>		<b>Division III (1-1049)</b>	
<b>11 Schools</b>		<b>16 Schools</b>		<b>13 Schools</b>	
Pinkerton	<b>3331</b>	Spaulding	<b>1768</b>	Pembroke	<b>1045</b>
Nashua South	<b>2287</b>	Keene	<b>1762</b>	Hollis/Brookline	<b>952</b>
Salem	<b>2263</b>	Dover	<b>1671</b>	Kingswood	<b>947</b>
Man. Memorial	<b>2165</b>	Merrimack	<b>1593</b>	John Stark	<b>890</b>
Man. Central	<b>2159</b>	Timberlane	<b>1590</b>	Merrimack Valley	<b>884</b>
Nashua North	<b>2054</b>	Winnacunnet	<b>1324</b>	Laconia	<b>822</b>
Concord	<b>1877</b>	Goffstown	<b>1289</b>	Plymouth	<b>817</b>
Londonderry	<b>1827</b>	Bedford	<b>1172</b>	Oyster River	<b>710</b>
Man. West	<b>1809</b>	Con-Val	<b>1087</b>	Pelham	<b>700</b>
*Exeter	<b>1654</b>	Portsmouth	<b>1067</b>	Kearsarge	<b>665</b>
*Souhegan	<b>970</b>	*Bishop Guertin	<b>885</b>	Gilford	<b>572</b>
		*Lebanon	<b>761</b>	Hopkinton	<b>355</b>
		*Hanover	<b>746</b>	Derryfield	<b>246</b>
		St. Thomas	<b>721</b>		
		*Bow	<b>669</b>		
<b>* By Petition</b>		*Bishop Brady	<b>443</b>		