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OLA TEAM MANAGER BULLETIN 2019 Ontario Lacrosse Festival

Dear OLA Team Managers:

Welcome to the 16th annual Ontario Lacrosse Festival! Thanks very much for all your great volunteer service helping to grow the game in Ontario! Please also share our sincere appreciation to your coaching staff for their commitment and dedication to your team and the game!

We hope this Team Manager Bulletin helps ensure the Festival experience is a great one for your team. Essential information includes:

- (1) All information about the Festival including schedules and results can be found at the Official Festival website at <www.ontariolacrossefestival.com>;**
- (2) All coaches and team managers should review the attached “Participant Rules & Guidelines” and “Playing Rules Advisory” prior to attending the Festival;**
- (3) Directions to all Festival arenas can be found online and in the Official Festival Souvenir Program;**
- (4) As some game times and locations have been moved to accommodate various event logistics, please check the Festival website to confirm the accuracy of your game dates, times and locations prior to leaving for the event;**
- (5) Team Welcome Packages (including Festival caps and Souvenir Programs) are available to be picked up at Iroquois Park Sports Centre (in Whitney Hall) by Team Managers any time after the beginning of the tournament your team participates in (ie: for Pee Wee teams, after the first game of the Alterna Savings/OLA Pee Wee Provincials);**
- (6) During the Festival, all results will be circulated via the Festival Scoreboard Alert Service and updated on the Festival website. Sign up for the Festival Scoreboard Alert Service on the Festival website;**
- (7) All coaches and team managers should review the attached “OLA Provincial Box Lacrosse Tie-Breaker Formula” for clarification on advancing teams.**

We look forward to sharing with you the excitement of another celebration of Canada’s national summer sport!

**All the best for some great lacrosse in your tournament,
2019 Ontario Lacrosse Festival Committee**



2019 OLA PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS *Participant Rules and Guidelines*

1. All teams should report to the OLA Registration Desk at least 30 minutes prior to their scheduled game times.
2. Only OLA registered Team Coaches and/or Team Managers will be permitted to represent their own clubs at the OLA Registration Desk.
3. Team Coaches and/or Managers must produce the following documents at registration:
(a) All OLA approved player registration forms signed by the Club, Zone and OLA; (b) All OLA approved bench personnel forms signed by the Club, Zone and OLA. Should clubs be unable to produce such documents, players, coaches and/or trainers will be ruled ineligible to participate.

Please note the maximum of five (5) bench personnel per team. Of the approved bench personnel, the OLA recognizes only one mandatory trainer per team.

4. Prior to the start of each game, all bench personnel must sign the game sheet.
5. Please ensure that all coaches and players are very clear on the OLA Provincials Policy that fighting results in automatic disqualification from any further Provincial play, in any age division, in 2019.
6. In robin-robin format competition, there are no overtime periods (ie: tie games stand). In the event of a tie for a position in the final standings of round-robin format competition, the OLA tie-breaker formula will be used to determine the higher standing team (see MR7.08).
7. Teams are permitted one (1) timeout per team, per game.
8. The 2019 OLA Provincial Championships: Playing Rules Advisory should be referenced for clarifications on playing rules and overtime game regulations.
9. The OLA Provincials Tournament Committee will not entertain any protests of any game or game outcome based on any referee's, timekeeper's and/or game official's calls/conduct/decisions/rulings (see MR10.08).
10. In all cases of any misunderstanding of tournament rules between OLA representatives and clubs, these *Participant Rules and Guidelines* will be used as the basis for a final decision.

2019 Ontario Lacrosse Association Provincial Championships: Playing Rules Advisory

OLA MINOR LACROSSE RULE	AGE DIVISION					
	TYKE	NOVICE	PEE WEE	BANTAM	MIDGET	INTERMEDIATE
Goaltender Warm-Ups	Goaltenders who are entering a game already in progress are not permitted a warm-up. Warm-ups are only permitted prior to the game's start time.					
Rule 19 (a) Game Length	Periods: 3 x 15 minutes Stop Time: Last 2 minutes of the 3 rd period Intermission: 3 minutes			Periods: 3 x 15 minutes Stop Time: Last 5 minutes of the 3 rd period Intermission: 3 minutes		
Rule 20 (a) Qualifying Game Overtime	In the event of a tie in round-robin format competition, there are no overtime periods (ie. a tie game will stand). In the event of a tie in a qualifying game, the game continues with 10-minute stop time periods of sudden victory (the first goal declares the winner). Before the overtime period, there will be a 3-minute intermission. Teams will not change ends.					
Rule 20 (b) Championship Game Overtime	In the event of a tie in a championship game, the game will continue with a full 10-minute stop time period. If the score remains tied at the end of the first overtime period, the game continues with 10-minute stop time periods of sudden victory (the first goal declares the winner) until a goal is scored. Before any overtime period, there will be a 3-minute intermission. Teams will not change ends.					
Rule 39 (a) 5-Second Rule	Rule enforced.					
Rule 45 (a) Fighting Rule	Major penalty a game misconduct penalty + disqualification from any further provincial play, in any age division, in the current year.					
Rule 66 (a) 10-Second Rule	Does not apply.	Rule enforced.				
Rule 66 (b) Over-and-Back Rule	Does not apply.	Rule enforced.				
Rule 68 30-Second Rule	Does not apply.	Rule enforced.				
Rule 70 (a) Team Time-Outs	One 60-second time-out per team per game. Unused time-outs may be carried into overtime periods, but overtime does not grant a team an additional time-out.					
Offense/Defense Policy	First infraction: bench minor penalty assessed to the head coach of the offending team. Second infraction: gross misconduct penalty to the head coach of the offending team.				Does not apply.	

OLA AFFILIATED PLAYER MOVEMENT FOR PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

		HIGHER AGE DIVISION TEAM RATING				
		A	B	C	D	E
LOWER AGE DIVISION TEAM RATING	Skill Category					
	A ↑	5	3	0	0	0
	B ↑	5	5	3	0	0
	C ↑	5	5	5	3	0
	D ↑	5	5	5	5	3
E ↑	5	5	5	5	5	

MR4.02

The Corporation will permit the movement of box players from the next lower age category team in the same organization in the following sequence:

From an equal or lower division, up to 5 players may move up.

From the next higher division, up to 3 players may move down.

No movement is permitted downward from any higher than one division.

(ie) FROM:

C up to A (5 players)

C up to B (5 players)

C to C (5 players)

C down to D (3 players)

No movement permitted from C down to E (or lower division)

NOTE 1: Any player of a minor lacrosse team, whose name appeared on the game sheet for the winning team in a minor lacrosse provincial championship game, will not be eligible to participate in any other minor lacrosse provincial championship tournament in that sector in the current year.

NOTE 2: Box and Field

If the next lower age category shall cover an age difference of more than two years, prior approval of the OLA shall be required prior to participation.

OLA PROVINCIAL BOX LACROSSE TIE-BREAKER FORMULA

MR7.08

In the event of a tie in points between teams, the final standings shall be determined as follows:

TIE BREAKER FOR TWO TEAMS:

1. The team that won the greater number of points in games played, during the competition, between the teams tied shall be declared the winner of the higher position. **(HEAD TO HEAD)**
2. If tie still exists, the Goal Average Formula will be used to break the tie. All goals scored in the games during the competition shall be used in the goal average computation. *The Goal Average formula is calculated as "Goals For" divided by the sum of "Goals For" plus "Goals Against":*

$$\frac{\text{GF}}{\text{GF} + \text{GA}} = \text{GOAL AVERAGE}$$

The team with the Goal Average that is closest to 1.0 shall be declared the winner.

3. If a tie still exists, the team with least penalties in minutes in all Round Robin games played shall be declared the winner. In the case where the teams have not played the same number of games, the lowest average of the penalties in minutes in all Round Robin games shall be used to declare the winner.
 4. If a tie still exists then a coin toss will decide the winner.
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TIE BREAKER FOR THREE OR MORE TEAMS:

1. The team(s) that won the greater number of points in games played, during the competition, between the team(s) tied shall be declared the winner of the higher position. **(HEAD TO HEAD TO HEAD)**
5. If tie still exists, the Goal Average Formula will be used to break the tie. Only goals scored in games between the tied teams during the competition shall be used in the goal average computation. *The Goal Average formula is calculated as "Goals For" divided by the sum of "Goals For" plus "Goals Against"*

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The team with the Goal Average that is closest to 1.0 shall be declared the winner.

2. If tie still exists, the Goal Average Formula will be used to break the tie. All goals scored in all games during the competition shall be used in the goal average computation. *The Goal Average formula is calculated as "Goals For" divided by the sum of "Goals For" plus "Goals Against."*
3. If a tie still exists, the team with the least penalties in minutes in all Round Robin games played shall be declared the winner. In the case where the teams have not played the same number of games, the lowest average of the penalties in minutes in all Round Robin games shall be used to declare the winner.
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2019 Ontario Lacrosse Association Provincial Championships GM28 Policy Notice

Game Misconduct Policy: Abuse of Officials / Unsportsmanlike Conduct (GM28)

First Offense: Three game suspension and \$50 fine

Second Offense: Five game suspension and \$100 fine

For second offense coaches, in addition the five-game suspension and \$100 fine, an OLA Coaching Certification review will be conducted. For second offense trainers, an additional five game suspension will be assessed (for a total of ten games).

Third Offense: Automatic OLA Hearing

Game Misconduct Policy Modification:

In addition to the GM28 policy already in effect, **non-playing team personnel** who are assessed a game misconduct for unsportsmanlike conduct / abuse of officials (GM28) will result in automatic disqualification from any further minor box lacrosse provincial participation, in any age division, in 2019. Any GM28 assessed to non-playing bench personnel will be automatically reviewed by the OLA VP of Minor Box and the Festival Referee-In-Chief. Each team acknowledge this 2019 policy modification by bringing a signed copy of this document to the team's first game of the Ontario Lacrosse Festival.

As the manager/team representative, I hereby confirm that my team's bench personnel are aware of this policy change for the 2019 Ontario Lacrosse Festival and acknowledge that violations of this policy by members of our bench staff will result in automatic disqualification of the offender, and may place our entire team's participation in the provincial championships at risk.

Association Name: _____

Division & Team Number: _____

Team Representative Name: _____

Team Representative Signature: _____