

**BITTER LACROSSE**  
**TOURNAMENT RULES: GIRLS**

**GENERAL**

Excessive physical play, fighting, foul language, excessive "trash talk," and disrespect toward players, officials, coaches, or parents by any players, coaches, or parents will not be tolerated. Event Directors will handle situations on a case by case basis in consultation with officials and reserve the right to remove any player, coach, or fan from the event.

Games and penalties are running time (in the event of a prolonged injury stoppage, officials may stop time)

No overtime during pool play; playoff rounds will go to continuous sudden victory overtime Standing:

win = 3 pts, tie = 1 pts, loss = 0 pts

Seeding: record, head-to-head, goals against, goal differential (7 goals max per game), win/loss versus common highest ranked opponent, coin toss

A forfeit will be posted as a 1-0 victory for the non-forfeiting team

Field marshals will keep score; coaches sign scorecard at the end of each game

Teams with illegal players (by age or by incorrect rosters) will forfeit games and may be disqualified. Coaches must notify the Event Director of any roster changes prior to the occurrence.

Club team directors or head coaches may report disputes to the Event Directors. All disputes will be settled by the Event Director or his/her designee. Game appeals may only be submitted on the misapplication of rules. Judgment calls, including goal timing, is not a misapplication of the rules and therefore may not be challenged.

A GAME/HALF MAY NOT END ON A DEFENSIVE PENALTY. In the event of a defensive penalty within the CSA resulting in an expired clock, play will resume on the officials whistle. Trail Official will count :03 seconds of play from point of Free Position at the whistle. During the :03 seconds, regular game rules exist, including the potential for another defensive foul, pass, a shot or a goal. All goal calls are final.

2017 US Lacrosse "Official Rules for girls' and women's lacrosse" with modifications based on "US Lacrosse Youth Rules and Best Practices and US Lacrosse Tournament Standards. Additional modifications listed below.

**YOUTH DIVISIONS 2023-27 (10U-14U)**

Team Size: 10U (2027) 12v12 (unless both teams agree before the start of the game to go 8v8)

Modified checking only: the entire stick must be below the shoulder and the check must be down and away from the body. Player with the ball may not hold the ball for more than 3 seconds when: closely guarded/marked & the defender has both hands on her stick or when the defense is in position to legally check were checking allowed

Mercy Rule: team down by 7 or more goals in pool play get a free clear after each goal

**WEATHER/REFUND POLICY**

In the event of thunder and/or lightning, all games will be suspended for 30 min from the last occurrence. Games are official after one half of play.

The Event Directors and field managers reserve the right to cancel, shorten, or reschedule tournament games due to inclement weather, poor field conditions or player and fan safety concerns. No refunds will be granted if these actions are necessary.

Refunds of 75% will be issued if the tournament is cancelled prior to starting in part for any reason, including inclement weather or any other "Act of God."