

Baggataway Rules of Play

The Medina Baggataway Lacrosse Invitational is setup in a play-day form with a guarantee of no less than 3 games per registered team.
Teams can register in either a competitive (A) or developmental (B) division.

Safety

Player, coach, spectator, and Baggataway committee and volunteers' safety is our top priority.

-All participants must be active members of US Lacrosse in good standing. No exceptions. Rosters to be submitted and numbers verified by USL.

-PLEASE AVOID ALL AREAS BEHIND GOALS

-All playing fields will have a medical box with supplies, list of tournament contacts and field location.

-**In the event of a medical emergency, dial 911.** Your field location will be listed in your supply box and local emergency services have been made aware of field locations.

- For non-emergency sports injuries, Athletic Trainers from Cleveland Clinic will respond to your field. Call the number on the provided business card.

-The Baggataway committee will decide if games will have to be cancelled due to weather/lightning. Standard NFHS procedures will apply before play is resumed. (When thunder is heard or a cloud-to-ground lightning bolt is seen, the leading edge of the thunderstorm is close enough to strike your location with lightning. Suspend play for thirty minutes and take shelter immediately. Wait at least 30 minutes after the last thunder is heard or flash of lightning is witnessed prior to resuming play. Any subsequent thunder or lightning after the beginning of the 30-minute count will reset the clock and another 30-minute count should begin.)

Sportsmanship

Players, coaches, and spectators are expected to treat officials and one another with respect and good sportsmanship. Acts such as **take-out checks**, fighting, taunting, intimidating or verbally harassing a tournament referee, organizer, player, coach or

spectator are not tolerated and will lead to removal of that player, coach, team and/or spectator from the tournament and can result in a ban from future events. Referees and event organizers will have final determination of an ejection from the tournament on a case by case basis. Decisions made by referees and event organizers are final.

GAMES

Each participating team shall provide an individual (adult) at the field table for scoring and time keeping duties. Referees are responsible for keeping time on player penalties. Officials can stop the clock for any reason they deem necessary (i.e. injury, game control).

Bantam (3/4, 10U+9U) GIRLS:

- The appropriate equipment and colored mouth guards must be worn at all times. Modified pocket is allowed USL Girls 2.2
 - 2018 US Lacrosse Girls 10U Rules. Exceptions noted below.
 - 8v8 format (7 + goalie), 60' x 35' field, 4' x 4' goals, 8 meter arc
 - Two 18 minute halves, running clock
 - One five (5) minute half-time break
 - No time outs
 - Draw to start the half with 3 players from each team positioned on the 8m. Players must hold in the 8m or behind the GLE until possession on the draw
 - Goalie "free" clear restarts on whistle after goal scored, opponent moves above 8m
 - **MERCY RULE** applies when there is a four (4) goal difference. Teams down by four (4) or more goals can elect to take an indirect free position on the restart.
 - **NO OVERTIME PLAY**
- **Modified Stick Checking is prohibited**
- 1v1 defense & three seconds closely guarded rule applies

Bantam (3/4, 10U+9U) BOYS:

- The appropriate equipment and colored mouth guards must be worn at all times
- 2018 US Lacrosse Boys 12U Rules. Exceptions noted below
- 7v7 format (6 + goalie), 60' x 35' field, 4' x 4' goals
- Four 10 minute running time quarters
- Two minute break between quarters
- No time outs
- Face-off restarts with one wing player foot on sideline USL Boys 12U 4.4
- Substitutions through the box (on the fly)
- Ball advance rules at ref's discretion
- AP Scrum Rule in effect USL Boys 12U 4.31

- **MERCY RULE** applies when there is a six (6) goal lead deficit. Teams down by six (6) or more goals can elect to receive a free clear on the restart.
- **NO OVERTIME PLAY**
- Allowable body contact (USL Boys 4.15): legal holds, pushes, boxing out, redirects (pressure applied after contact from front or side with possession or within 3 yards of loose ball, two hands on stick). In all loose ball situations, “play the ball.”
- Allowable stick contact (USL 4.16): legal crosse hold and checks (with possession or within 3 yards of loose ball, two hands on crosse, check to gloved hand or stick head initiated below shoulders and contact below chest area)
- Prohibited body contact is a personal foul at the discretion of the officials. **Take-out checks and violent or uncontrolled blows** are not permitted under any circumstances at any age. Player will be ejected from the tournament.
- Prohibited stick contact is considered a slash (personal foul), called at the discretion of officials. Stick checks to the body (other than described above) is considered a slash. One-handed check attempts are considered a slash regardless of contact.

Youth (5/6 12U+11U) GIRLS:

- The appropriate equipment and colored mouth guards must be worn at all times
- 2018 US Lacrosse Girls 12U Rules. Exceptions noted below.
- 12v12 format (11 + goalie), full field
- Two 20 minute halves, running clock
- One five (5) minute half-time break
- No time outs
- Draw restarts with traditional lineup
- All substitutions are on the fly USL Girls 5.8
- **MERCY RULE** applies when there is a four (4) goal difference. Teams down by four (4) or more goals can elect to take an indirect free position on the restart.
- **NO OVERTIME PLAY**
- **Modified Stick Checking is permitted:** Modified checking below the shoulder is allowed. Any check above the shoulder or into the sphere or forcing the opponents stick into the sphere constitutes an illegal check. Check to the Head and a Slash are mandatory cards.
- Three seconds closely guarded rule applies
- Team serving a card now plays short

Youth (5/6, 12U+11U) BOYS:

- The appropriate equipment and colored mouth guards must be worn at all times
 - 2018 US Lacrosse Boys 12U Rules. Exceptions noted below.
 - 10v10 format (9 + goalie), full field
 - Four 10 minute running time quarters
 - Two minute break between quarters
 - No time outs
 - Substitutions through the box (on the fly)
 - Ball advance rules at ref discretion
 - AP Scrum Rule in effect
 - **MERCY RULE** applies when there is a six (6) goal lead deficit. Teams down by six (6) or more goals can elect to receive a free clear on the restart.
 - **NO OVERTIME PLAY**
- Allowable body contact (USL Boys 4.15): legal holds, pushes, boxing out, redirects (pressure applied after contact from front or side with possession or within 3 yards of loose ball, two hands on stick). In all loose ball situations, “play the ball.”
 - Allowable stick contact (USL 4.15, 4.16): legal crosse hold and checks (with possession or within 3 yards of loose ball, two hands on crosse, check to gloved hand or stick head initiated below shoulders and contact below chest area)
 - Prohibited body contact is a personal foul at the discretion of the officials. **Take-out checks and violent or uncontrolled blows** are not permitted under any circumstances at any age. Player will be ejected from the tournament.
 - Prohibited stick contact is considered a slash (personal foul), called at the discretion of officials. Stick checks to the body (other than described above) is considered a slash. One-handed check attempts are considered a slash regardless of contact.

7/8 GIRLS:

- The appropriate equipment and colored mouth guards must be worn at all times
- 2018 US Lacrosse Girls 14U Rules. Exceptions noted below.
- 12v12 (11 + goalie), full field
- Two 25 minute halves, running clock
- One five minute half-time break
- No time outs
- Draw restarts with traditional lineup
- All substitutions are on the fly USL Girls 5.8
- **MERCY RULE** applies when there is a four (4) goal difference. Teams down by four (4) or more goals can elect to take an indirect free position on the restart.
- **NO OVERTIME PLAY**

- **Modified Stick Checking is permitted:** Modified checking below the shoulder is allowed. Any check above the shoulder or into the sphere or forcing the opponents stick into the sphere constitutes an illegal check. Check to the Head and a Slash are mandatory cards.
- Three seconds closely guarded rule applies

7/8 BOYS:

- The appropriate equipment and colored mouth guards must be worn at all times
 - 2018 US Lacrosse Boys 14U Rules. Exceptions noted below.
 - 10v10 (9 + goalie) format, full field
 - Two 20 minute halves, running clock
 - One five minute half-time break
 - No time outs
 - Ball advance rules at ref's discretion
 - Stalling Rule final two minutes when ahead by less than 4 goals USL Boys 3.3
 - **MERCY RULE** applies when there is a six (6) goal lead deficit. Teams down by six (6) or more goals will get a free clear after each goal.
 - **NO OVERTIME PLAY**
- Allowable body contact (USL Boys 14U 4.15): body checking of an opponent can only be delivered by a player who has both hands on their own crosse. Checks must be made to players in possession of the ball, within three yards of a loose ball, or to a player within three yards of a ball in flight. In all cases a body check shall be below the neck, above the waist, and delivered to the front or side of an opponent.
 - Allowable stick contact (USL Boys 14U 4.16): legal crosse hold and check with possession or within 3 yards of loose ball or ball in flight, two hands on crosse
 - Prohibited body contact is a personal foul at the discretion of the officials. Any excessive body check in which the player lowers his head or shoulder with the force and intent to put the other player on the ground shall be penalized as an illegal body check. **Take-out checks and violent or uncontrolled blows** are not permitted under any circumstances at any age. Player will be ejected from the tournament.
 - Prohibited stick contact is considered a slash (personal foul), called at the discretion of officials. One-handed check attempts are considered a slash regardless of contact.