RULES of the ROAD for our Tourneys 2019

The top teams in every division are seeded by Tournament Director and placed into separate pools. The remaining teams are placed in pools by the Tourney Machine "random placement" tool. However we do make every effort to create geographic diversity in all pools manually as needed.

Depending on the division the Tournament only solves for either/or the number 1 and/or number 1 & 2 teams in each pool for advancement to championship play.

The non-championship matchups printed on the schedule are posted as a guideline only. We reserve the right to change matchups to keep teams from playing twice in our event if possible. They will be done on Tourney Machine with blast notification sent to all involved via the App.

TIEBREAKER INFO:

Scenario A

In the event that two teams are tied after pool play: the following tiebreakers will be used (in sequence) to determine the highest Seed.

Head to Head result. Fewest goals allowed then goal differential and finally most total goals scored followed by a coin flip if the above criteria still leaves two teams in a tie.

Scenario B

In the event that 3 or more teams are tied after pool play:

We will use the following tiebreakers if 3 or more teams are tied to identify the **top 2** teams involved in the tie. Once we have the **top two** teams based on the following tiebreakers, we will use Scenario A (above) to settle the tie between

those two teams: Goals Allowed then Goal Differential.

Important note: If we have three tied teams we use goals allowed to break the 3 way tie and then IF the remaining 2 teams have played then the head to head result trumps goals allowed. IE: FCA beats LIE and LIE beats CRABS and CRABS beats FCA. FCA has 12GA and CRABS 14GA and LIE 15GA. LIE is first out with most GA and then since Crabs and FCA did in fact play already Crabs would advance from pool because of head to head win.

GAME PLAY: 2018 NCAA RULES APPLY

Each game will consist of 4 (11) minute running time quarters. 3 minute halftime Each team gets (1):45 second time out per game (does not carry over to OT) Overtime will be 1 continuous period (clock will not be used) Sudden Victory. NO OT Timeout allowed.

Game Clock will stop during time outs. Refs will enforce the :45 second time out. Don't stall coming out of huddle or you will lose possession.

Game Clock will convert to START/STOP the <u>last minute</u> of any game where the score differential <u>is or becomes</u> 2 goals or less. IE: team A is winning 8-6 and clock is running until it gets to the 1 minute mark and then the official timekeeper will go start stop on out of bounds, face-offs etc thru game conclusion.

Penalty time will be running unless game is in start / stop mode.

Stick Check Exception – stick checks only if a coach calls for one NCAA OR NFHS ok but can't be a bastard of the two.

PLAYER ELIGIBILITY

Players must be in the grade in which they are competing. You may not play "back" a grade because you may PG. If you are headed to PG in September 2019 you are welcome to compete in the 2020 bracket this summer. No player should be competing in 2021 or 2022 because they "plan" to PG. Similarly, If you are repeating 9th grade you may not play 8th grade/2023 at Crabfeast you must play 9th/2022.

Crabfeast and Younguns are ONE team – ONE roster events. You can only play for one team at one age group.

Players or Coaches who get an ejection may not play/coach the next game. **NO EXCEPTIONS**. **DON'T ASK**

The penalty for using ineligible player/s will be forfeit/s and removal from championship bracket games. The Lacrosse community is small, please just follow the rules as written to avoid an embarrassing situation in front of college coaches.

CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES ONLY:

Each team will have 2 (:30 sec) time outs per game. Also a :30 sec time out MAY be called during overtime.

Champions will receive a CHAMPION Tourney T-Shirts and will be distributed directly following a championship victory. Teams are expected to take a team photo holding tournament banner at that time.

WEATHER POLICY

In the event of adverse weather or un-playable field conditions, the Tournament Director reserves the right to:

- 1. Reduce game times.
- 2. Finish games before inclement weather arrives, or to preserve field conditions.
- 3. Reschedule or Cancel games.
- 4. Convert the tournament to a 'Festival' format without playoffs or championships to enable the majority of the teams the opportunity to play as many games as possible. Every attempt will be made to update cancellations on Tourney Machine. However, weather conditions can change rapidly and all teams should be prepared as soon as weather clears and fields are playable to report back to the fields.

THUNDER/LIGHTNING POLICY If thunder or lightning is observed at any location play will be suspended immediately and players and fans will be asked to leave the field. Play will be allowed to resume 30 minutes after the last sound of thunder or sighting of lightning is observed.

If a game is in progress, that period will end immediately. If it is the second half, the game will be considered final and the score at that point will be recorded. If it is the first half, when play resumes it will be a 11 minute running half only. Every attempt will be made to begin subsequent games on time. If the start of the second half of the suspended game delays the onset of the subsequent game the following actions will occur:

- The event reserves right to move the conclusion of a suspended game to the end of the day.
- The event does face some field constraints by contract. It is possible that weather could cause some games or whole rounds to be cancelled.

WEATHER REFUND POLICY

All club directors agreed to these terms and conditions when they registered for the event. We all share in mitigating the risk of bad weather beyond our control.

- 1. No refunds will be issued for games canceled.
- 2. No refunds will be issued for games shortened due to weather.
- 3. No refunds will be issued for playoff or championship games canceled due to weather.
- 4. In the event we had to cancel the whole tournament due to weather only we would refund 50% of fees paid to us within 30 days to the club director in charge after receiving his written request indicating the team(s) requesting the refund, to whom the check should be made payable and where the check should be mailed. No refunds will be issued if a Refund Request Form is not submitted within 30 days of the tournament.