

# Trilogy Great Lax Fall Classic Tournament Game Play & Rules

## **Game Play – Applicable to All Divisions**

- 1. Games start and end on one Central Horn, as does Half Time.
- 2. Games will run on fifty (50) minute blocks.
- 3. Playing time will consist of two (2) twenty (20) minute running halves with a two (2) minute halftime.
- 4. Teams will have zero (0) timeouts.
- 5. Tie Games at the end of regulation will immediately go into a two (2) minute sudden death overtime beginning with a face-off unless either team ends game with possession in an extra man situation, in which case they will receive the ball to start OT. If the game remains tied after the overtime period, a 1v1 Braveheart will immediately follow until a winner is determined.
- 6. **Championship Games**: There are no Braveheart's in Championship games. Championship games will be played with a 5-minute Sudden Victory overtime. If there is no score in the first overtime, teams will switch sides and play another 5-minute overtime. This process will repeat until a goal is scored.
- 7. **Alternate Possession (AP):** In the event of an inadvertent whistle where there is no clear possession by either team, the ball will be awarded to the team that lost the first face-off of the game.
- 8. Schedule Changes: In the event of schedule delays caused by weather, which may include lightning, heavy rain, or extreme heat, the tournament will go to an alternate schedule and may shorten game lengths.

## **High School Division Rules**

All games will be played under NFHS rules with the following modifications and points of clarification:

### Game Rules

- 1. **Man-up/Man Down:** on Time served penalties. All penalties will be running time. The penalty clock will begin when the official blows the whistle to restart play. Penalty time will be kept by Trilogy Staff on each field.
- 2. **Advancing the Ball Clearing Count:** Team has twenty (20) seconds to clear over the midline and ten (10) seconds to touch it into the box.
- 3. Over and Back Rules: NFHS rules in effect.
- 4. **Stick Checks:** Sticks must meet NFHS standards. There will be no stick checks unless requested by the opposing coach. If a requested stick is found to be illegal, a sixty (60) second non-releasable penalty will be assessed. If the stick is found to be legal, the challenging team will be assessed a thirty (30) second releasable penalty.





- 5. **Body checking**: will be called tightly in the interest of player safety. A one to three-minute non-releasable penalty will be called for a body check that is to the head and neck area, on a defenseless player, a blindside hit, or deemed excessive. These penalties are unnecessary roughness and not in the spirit of Fall tournament play. Repeat unnecessary roughness offenses may result in the ejection from a game.
- 6. **Braveheart Rules**: For a Braveheart, each team will send two (2) players, one of whom HAS to be a goalie. One player from each team must always remain on the defensive half of the field. Play will begin with a faceoff and then continue until a goal is scored.
- 7. **Helmets required during pre-game warm-up and practice time**: All players must properly wear the mandatory protective helmet when they are on the field or engaging in warm-ups or any drills that involve passing, shooting or scrimmaging.

## 14U and 12U Division Rules

All Games will be played under US Lacrosse rules with the following modifications and points of clarification:

#### Game Rules

- 1. **Man-up/ Man-down:** on time served penalties. All penalties will be running time. The penalty clock will begin when the official blows the whistle to restart play. Penalty time will be kept by Trilogy Staff on each field.
- 2. **Substitutions:** will be on the fly only, except on a time serving penalty. For time serving penalties, teams will be allowed a quick substitution to get EMO/EMD on the field.
- 3. **Stick Checks:** none unless requested by the opposing coach. If a requested stick is found to be illegal, a sixty (60) second non-releasable penalty will be assessed. If the stick is found to be legal, the challenging team will be assessed a 30-second releasable penalty. Coaches may request one (1) stick check per game. No stick checks are permitted in the last ten minutes of regulation or overtime. Sticks must meet US Lacrosse standards.
- 4. **Body-Checking:** will be called tightly in the interest of player safety. A one to three-minute non-releasable penalty will be called for a body-check that is to the head and neck area, on a defenseless player, a blindside hit, or deemed excessive. These penalties are unnecessary roughness and not in the spirit of tournament play.
  - \*No big body hits or one-handed stick checks.
- 5. **Advancing the Ball Clearing Count:** Team has twenty (20) seconds to clear over the midline and ten (10) seconds to touch it into the box.
- 6. Over and Back Rules are in place per USL Rules.
- 7. **Keep It In:** when there is less than two (2) minutes remaining in the game, if a team is in the lead by four (4) goals or less then they must get it in and keep it in the box. \* Does not apply in 12U Division.
- 8. **Braveheart Rules**: For a Braveheart, each team will send two (2) players, one of whom HAS to be a goalie. One player from each team must always remain on the defensive half of the field. Play will begin with a faceoff and then continue until a goal is scored.
- 9. **Spectator Unsportsmanlike Penalties** Spectators in addition to players, coaches, and team personnel can receive a time-serving unsportsmanlike.





10. **Helmets are Required during pre-game warm-up and practice time:** All players must properly wear the mandatory protective helmet when they are on the field or engaging in warm-ups or any drills that involve passing, shooting or scrimmaging.

## **Tournament Regulations, Procedures & Policies:**

# **Applies to All Divisions**

### **Sportsmanship Policy**

Trilogy Lacrosse has a zero-tolerance policy for the following actions and they will result in ejection from the tournament:

- 1. Fighting
- 2. Any **Player, Coach, Parent or Spectator** who leaves the sideline, or runs from the opposite end of the field, in order to participate in an altercation on the field
- 3. ANY actions deemed excessively unsportsmanlike **Player**, **Coach**, **Parent or Spectator** including any discrimination based on gender, religion, race or sexual orientation.

### **Roster Rules**

- 1. Every participant must be a US lacrosse member and submit an online waiver prior to the tournament in order to participate. Exceptions to this policy must be submitted by team's Program Director.
- 2. Players cannot play for more than one club program during the same tournament.
- 3. Players may move up to play in a higher age division team within their own club.
  - a. No 2020 Players in JV Division
- 4. Players cannot play on a team younger than the team that they are rostered.
- 5. Any exemption to this policy must be submitted for consideration in writing to the tournament director prior to the tournament. Violation of these regulations may result in forfeiture of games at the discretion of the tournament director.

### **Divisional and Pool Tie Breakers**

- 1. Head to Head (only used for two-way ties)
- 2. Fewest Goals Against
- 3. Most Goals For
- 4. Coin Flip
  - \*In the event of a tie between more than two teams, head to head amongst the tied teams will still serve as the first tie breaker. Fewest goals against and then most goals for will be used if head to head amongst common opponents is not applicable. Specific divisional and pool playoff structures are outlined on Tourney Machine.

