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2021 GAME RULES

ADVANCEMENT OF THE BALL. High School thru 2027 NFHS timed clearing will be in effect. Team that is ahead **MUST** keep the ball in the offensive restraining box in the last two minutes of the game or OT period. In the 2028 divisions and younger, with the exception of the 4 second goalie count there are **NO** counts in these divisions, nor do these divisions have to keep it in for the last two minutes.

LONG STICKS. Are permitted in ALL divisions, *except the 30/31 U-9 division – see below*

GAME CLOCK TIME & SCORE. Each field has a coordinator, who will be positioned in the substitution box. They will keep the game clock, penalty time, score and general administration of the game and tournament. Their score is the official score and is final.

PLAYOFFS. It is our goal for each team to play as many other teams as possible while still allowing the top teams in each division the best chance to reach the playoffs. Each team is scheduled 3 or 4 games in their division/pool. After these games, the top two teams in each division advance to the playoffs. If a team plays an “extra game” because there is an odd number of teams in a division – their 4th & final game of the day will not count toward their record. If time allows, any divisions of 12 teams or more, the division will be divided into pools and schedule so the top teams in each pool make the playoffs. The top teams are determined by:
1. W-L recorded; 2. head to head; 3. GA = Goals Against (if we are equal with W-L the team that gave up the fewest goals will advance); 4. Coin flip.

EJECTIONS: Any player or coach ejected from a game by the game officials, will need to leave the players sideline for the remainder of that game and will not be permitted to coach or play in the teams next contest at the event. After serving the one game suspension the player or coach will be permitted to return. A second violation by the same player or coach will result in immediate termination from the event.

ROSTER RULES. No player may compete, or be rostered, on more than one team during the tournament. Any team in violation of the roster rules will forfeit all games in which the ineligible player has participated and forfeit any opportunity to advance to the championship game. Roster emergencies - we allow players to “double roster” if and only if 1) it is within the same program, 2) the team needs players to avoid a forfeit, and 3) the player is age-and grade eligible for that division. Otherwise, unless the tournament director is notified, no player may compete, or be rostered, on more than one team during the tournament.

2030/31 U-9 Additional Modifications. In addition to notes above, will have these additional modifications:
No long poles.

No EMO/EMD in U-9. All flag down situations will result in “fast break” for the offended team. All 6 middies will start behind the midfield line with the ball carrier receiving a 6-yard head start. All 6 midfielders will “play/go” on the re-start whistle.

Length of the field - games will play on shortened 68-yard goal-line to goal-line fields.

7 v 7. The 2030/31 U-9 will play 7 v 7. 1 Goalie, 2 Attack, 2 Close Defensemen, 2 Midfielders.

U-9 Mercy Rule: A team that is behind by six (6) or more goals shall be awarded the ball behind their goal (at X behind) without a face-off. The team that is behind shall have the option of waiving this rule at any point in the contest.

Thank you