

BY-LAW ARTICLE XXVI

Lacrosse

Boys

Sect. 1: Lacrosse for boys shall be administered by the NHIAA Boys Lacrosse Committee and the rules of the NFHS will govern the sport.

Sect. 2: Medical Coverage

Medical coverage as stated under By-Law Article III; Sect. 1 must be provided for all levels of practices and games (sub-varsity and varsity).

Sect. 3: Criteria of Play

Boys varsity lacrosse games will have four 12-minute periods; sub-varsity will have four 10-minute periods and there will be a 10-minute halftime.

Sect. 4: Divisional Alignment

Boy's lacrosse shall be aligned into three (3) divisions based upon enrollments and petitions subject to the approval of the Classification Committee.

2026-27 Boys Lacrosse Divisional Alignment

DIV. I (850+)		DIV. II (550-849)		DIV. III (1-549)	
20 Teams		14 Teams		14 Teams	
Pinkerton	2979	Oyster River	796	*Lebanon	642
Man. Memorial-Central	2451	Kingswood	727	*Milford	613
Nashua South	1697	Pembroke	718	*Kennett	612
Nashua North	1545	Merrimack Valley	715	Laconia	543
Dover	1423	Hollis Brookline	713	Kearsarge	485
Bedford	1367	Souhegan	709	Pelham	466
Spaulding	1346	Hanover	693	Gilford	442
Concord	1329	John Stark	657	Stevens	432
Exeter	1329	Coe-Brown	650	Belmont	347
Keene	1263	Plymouth	643	Trinity	345
Londonderry	1219	Bow	639	Campbell	337
Salem	1069	ConVal	603	Hopkinton	309
Goffstown	1032	*St. Thomas	341	Inter-Lakes	279
Merrimack	1013	*Derryfield	270	Bishop Brady	227
Winnacunnet	988				
Portsmouth	983				
Alvirne	955				
Timberlane	934	*Petition			
Windham	884				
*Bishop Guertin	767				

Sect. 5: Practice Requirements

Scrimmages against other schools shall not be permitted during the first five (5) days of practice or after the first scheduled game. This regulation applies to all sub-varsity and varsity teams.

Sect. 6: Tournament Format

The maximum number of teams allowed per By-Law Article IV: Classification; Sect. 10; Tournament Selection Requirements will qualify for the boys lacrosse tournament in each division. (CM 11.18)

Sect. 7: Tournament Officials

Officials for all playoff games will be selected by a committee composed of the Chairman of the Lacrosse Committee, the Supervisor of Boys Lacrosse Officials and the Executive Director of the NHIAA.

Sect. 8: Awards

Official NHIAA championship and runner-up plaques, in addition to 42 team medals, will be awarded to the respective champion and runner-up teams in each division.

Sect. 9: Tournament Rosters

Each school will be allowed a maximum of 42 individuals, with no more than 35 of them being players in uniform. The remainder of the roster will include a maximum of seven (7) non players. Rosters shall be completed via the NHIAA website. If a team is going to make the tournament, a team photo in uniform (no warm-ups and no mascots allowed) must be submitted with a photo lineup. If no photo is received a logo will be supplemented.