

BY-LAW ARTICLE XXVII

Lacrosse

Girls

Sect. 1: Lacrosse for girls shall be administered by the NHIAA Girls Lacrosse Committee and the rules of the US Lacrosse will govern the sport when applicable.

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

Girls varsity and sub-varsity will have four 12-minute quarters. During back-to-back games the varsity will consist of four (4) twelve-minute quarters and the sub-varsity will consist of four (4) ten-minute quarters. Upon mutual agreement the sub-varsity quarters may be reduced to a minimum of five (5) minutes each with a five (5) minutes intermission. A full sub-varsity rate shall be paid regardless of length of game time. (CM 5.2024)

Sect. 4: Divisional Alignment

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

2026-27 Girls Lacrosse Divisional Alignment

DIV. I (850+)		DIV. II (550-849)		DIV. III (1-549)	
20 Teams		16 Teams		13 Teams	
Pinkerton	2979	*Man. Central-West	1862	*Lebanon	642
Nashua South	1697	*Man. Memorial	1345	Laconia	543
Nashua North	1545	*Oyster River-Newmarket	1062	Kearsarge	485
Dover	1423	Kingswood	727	Pelham	466
Bedford	1367	Pembroke	718	Gilford	442
Spaulding	1346	Merrimack Valley	715	Belmont	347
Concord	1329	Hollis Brookline	713	Trinity	345
Exeter	1329	Hanover	693	Campbell	337
Keene	1263	John Stark	657	Hopkinton	309
Londonderry	1219	Coe-Brown	650	Inter-Lakes	279
Salem	1069	Plymouth	643	Derryfield	270
Goffstown	1032	Bow	639	Bishop Brady	227
Merrimack	1013	Milford	613	Concord Christian	120
Winnacunnet	988	Kennett	612		
Portsmouth	983	ConVal	603		
Alvirne	955	*St. Thomas	341		
Timberlane	934				
Windham	884	*Petition			
*Bishop Guertin	767				
*Souhegan	709				

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 girls lacrosse tournament in each division. (CM 11.22)

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 Lacrosse Officials and the Executive Director of the NHIAA.

Sect. 8: Awards

Official NHIAA championship and runner-up plaques, in addition to 30 team medals, will be awarded to the respective champion and runner-up team in each division.

Sect. 9: Tournament Rosters

Each school will be allowed a maximum of 30 individuals, with no more than 25 of them being players in uniform. The remainder of the roster will include five (5) non players. Please list all players that may play in tournament rounds. 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.