



PARTICIPATING SCHOOL TOURNAMENT INFORMATION 2023 MHSAA GIRLS LACROSSE

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1. TOURNAMENT FORMAT

The MHSAA Girls Lacrosse Tournament will be conducted in two equal Divisions by enrollment. Schools sponsoring Girls Lacrosse teams will be assigned to one of four Regional sites in each Division. Each Regional qualifier will compete in the Semifinals on Wednesday, June 7, 2023. Finals in Girls Lacrosse are held on Saturday, June 10, 2023. Divisions are determined by the MHSAA each spring for the upcoming school year for all sports, with schools who add the sport after that time placed into the division where they fall by enrollment.

Tournament Opt Out Due Date: April 26, 2023

Regional Tournaments:
Pre-regional games: May 18 – 20 or 22, 2023 (or earlier)
First Round: May 24 – 26, 2023 (or earlier)
Semifinals: May 30 or May 31, 2023
Regional Finals: June 2 or 3, 2023

Semifinals Tournament:
Wednesday, June 7, 2023: Fenton and East Lansing HS
Division 1
Regional 4 vs. Regional 1
Regional 2 vs. Regional 3

Division 2
Regional 8 vs. Regional 5
Regional 6 vs. Regional 7

Finals Tournament: Saturday, June 10, 2023: Rockford High School

Division 2 @ 2 p.m.
Division 1 @ 4:30 p.m.

2. TOURNAMENT PROCEDURES

Team Size – A maximum of 40 players will be allowed to dress per game unless there were more than 40 players who dressed for at least half the regular season games played by that school. A letter from the school principal to the MHSAA in advance of the start of tournament competition must be submitted to request an allowance of more than 40 players to dress for tournament competition. The Master Eligibility List submitted by the school, along with the Team Roster, may list as many eligible competitors as desired by the school.

Each team must provide a complete line-up (first and last name, number and position of each player and substitute) and names of all other bench personnel. The starting lineup must be submitted to the scorer at least ten minutes prior to game time.

Adult Announcer Scorer and Timer – A qualified adult scorer and timer shall be provided by the Tournament Manager. The Tournament Manager becomes the assigning authority as per the NFHS rules. An air horn must be present at the scorers' table at field level to signify substitutions and to signify the end of the half and game. The official scorer must maintain an accurate record for alternate possession.

Admission for Non-Competitors at MHSAA Tournament Sites - All team members who are eligible to compete with their qualifying team at Regionals or Finals must enter the facility together with their coach in order to be considered part of that team for admission purposes. It is appropriate to expect non-competitive subvarsity players to enter with an admission charge.

Field Dimensions – The playing area shall be rectangular and marked with a solid lined boundary. The field should be between 110 to 140 yards from end line to end line; and between 60 to 70 yards from sideline to sideline. The goals shall be placed no more than 100 yards and no less than 90 yards apart, measured from goal line to goal line. There must be a minimum of 10 yards and a maximum of 20 yards of space behind each goal line, extending to the end line and running the width of the field. There must be a minimum of 4m of space between the sideline boundary and the scorer's table. There should be at least 4m of space between the other sideline and any spectator area. There should be 2m of space beyond each end line. The playing area must be flat and free of glass, stones and any protruding objects.

Finals Qualifying Procedures – One team from each Regional will qualify to compete at the Semifinals (total of 4 teams per Division). Two teams from each Semifinal (total of 4 teams) will qualify for Finals competition.

Game Balls and Retrievers – In MHSAA tournament play, the ball shall be yellow and meet the current NOCSAE lacrosse standard at the time of manufacture. The home team will provide the game balls. The same type must be used throughout the game. The MHSAA will not reimburse host schools for the cost of game balls. It is recommended that prior to the game and at the start of each quarter, 5 to 10 balls be placed on the end lines. Ball retrievers should only retrieve balls at timeouts or at the half. Individuals are not allowed to stand behind the goal at any time during warm-up or during the event.

Goggles – Eye goggles must be worn at all times.

Home/Visiting Team Designation – The team in the upper half of the brackets shall wear light-colored jerseys as the home team and the team in the lower half will wear dark jerseys and be the visiting team. Exceptions may be made only by prior arrangement with the Tournament Manager and the opponents.

Teams are advised to arrive at a tournament site with two sets of jerseys, light and dark, to avoid similarity of color problems. By rule, the home team is responsible for avoidance of similarity of colors, but if there is doubt, the referee may require the visiting team to change jerseys.

Locker Rooms – When possible both teams should be provided a locker room. It is recommended that water be provided both teams at their bench area.

Overtime Procedures – MHSAA Committee did not adopt the Sudden Victory Overtime Rule and the previous overtime procedures will be retained. The overtime procedures are as follows:

The alternate possession shall continue from regulation. Alternate possession is continuous through any overtime periods.

When the score is tied at the end of regular playing time, both teams will have a 5-minute rest and toss a coin for choice of ends. Six minutes (two 3-minute halves) of overtime will be played. The clock stops on official time-outs or fouls in the critical scoring area. The clock will be stopped after 3 minutes of play in order for teams to change ends with no delay for coaching. The game will be restarted by a center draw. The team which is ahead at the end of six minutes wins the game.

If the teams are still tied after six minutes have elapsed, the teams will have a 3-minute rest and change ends. The winner will then be decided on a “sudden victory” overtime of no more than six minutes in length with the teams changing ends after 3 minutes. The game will be restarted by a center draw. The team scoring the first goal wins the game.

Play will continue with “sudden victory” overtime periods of six minutes in length (two 3 minute halves) with 3 minutes in between and change of ends until a winning goal is scored.

Practice on Host Fields – During the week of the Regionals, schools (except host) may not practice on the field to be used for the Regionals, Semifinals or Finals games. During the week of the Finals, schools (except host) may not practice on the field that is to be used for the Semifinals or Finals.

Pregame Introductions and Inspections – The timer shall place 20 minutes on the game clock, thirty minutes before the scheduled start of the game with five minutes left on the clock, a captain’s meeting will be held. When the clock is at zero, teams are to assemble at mid-field for pregame stick and equipment checks. Following the equipment checks, the teams return to their sidelines where the pregame introductions of starting lineups, coaches and officials will be followed with the National Anthem. Visitors will be announced first. Immediately following the National Anthem, the opening draw shall occur.

Pregame Warm Ups – Teams may warm up in their half of the field for a minimum of 15 minutes to the maximum allowed by the home team or tournament management. Teams are not to encircle the entire field of play at any time prior to the warm up or prior to the game. Teams must use their half of the field only and no one should be behind the end line when the goalie is being warmed up.

Scores are Final – All scores are final 10 minutes after the officials have signed the master score sheet.

Team Supervision – No individual or team may participate in an MHSAA event unless accompanied to the event by the coach, administrator or appointee of the school. Coaches are responsible for the actions and behavior of all school team members at all times while on site of the game or meet.

3. OPT OUT POLICIES, ELIGIBILITY LISTS, ROSTERS

The Team Roster along with a current Master Eligibility List must be provided to the Regional Tournament Manager no later than the Opt-Out Due Date of **April 26, 2023**. The Junior Varsity and Freshman Master Eligibility Lists should also be sent if there is intent to use any Junior Varsity and Freshman team members. It is imperative that the Tournament Manager and the MHSAA be notified by or before the Opt-Out Due Date if a team does not intend to enter the Regional Tournament.

If the Team Roster and Master Eligibility List are received after the Opt-Out Due Date, but before the draw is made; they may be accepted with the payment of a \$50 late fee. The \$50 late fee is due before the draw. Late fees may be retained by the host school.

Additions or updates to the Master Eligibility List (except transfer students who enroll after the dates in Regulation I, Section 9 [F]) may be accepted by the Tournament Manager if submitted and received prior to the start of competition for any team in the first level of that tournament to which the school is assigned. All players on the Master Eligibility List submitted are eligible for tournament play even if the individual names are not on the roster.

Ineligible Players - Teams which are defeated by teams which have allowed an ineligible student to participate do not advance in MHSAA tournaments. Placement in MHSAA tournaments is vacated as a result of a team allowing one or more ineligible students to participate.

Withdrawals - Tournament management is to contact the MHSAA office if a school withdraws or fails to show for scheduled competition after the Opt-Out Due Date for team sports or the pairings, heat assignments or flights are determined for individual sports of the first level of the MHSAA tournament in that sport.

The MHSAA staff person responsible for the sport will request from the school principal a written explanation for the no-show/withdrawal. If the reason is determined to be unacceptable by MHSAA Staff, the MHSAA Executive Director will place the school on probation for the next two school years. A second offense within the two-year probationary period will cause the school to be prohibited from tournament play in that sport for the two years following the second offense.

4. DRAW PROCEDURES

Regional hosts to not need to host a draw meeting. The Regional bracket will be determined by the MHSAA and posted to the MHSAA website by Sunday, May 7, 2023. Prior to that date, at the beginning of the season, Regional hosts are asked to notify the MHSAA and participating schools of the date, time and location of the semifinals and finals. Within 24 hours after the Regional draws have been posted, hosts should finalize first round game days, time and locations and provide the information to the MHSAA (of officials assignment). The MHSAA has a very short time to assign officials for these games, so please make certain this is done in a timely manner.

One week prior to the draw, the MHSAA will post to its website the Regional draw formula. This formula specifies the bracket line number for all teams. MPR will be used to determine the top two teams. More information about MPR can be found in the Tournament Managers Manual and MHSAA.com.

When a school draws into a top line of a pre-regional or a 1st round regional game (and thus would be the host) but does not have a field which is a minimum of 60 yards wide X 110 yards long, the game will be held at the site of the school which draws to the bottom line of the bracket. If neither school has a field at least 60 yards wide X 110 yards long, the game will be held at the field of the school on the top line of the bracket.

5. TIME SCHEDULE

All Regional and Regional Semifinal game times shall be determined by the Tournament Manager with consideration given to length of travel and the opportunity for spectators to be present. All regional competition will be conducted at the regional site unless designated differently by the Regional Manager who indicates such at the draw. In pre-regional and first round games held at the home team sites prior to Regional Semifinals, administrative expenses are borne by the home team. These schools are responsible for:

- a. Notifying the MHSAA of game date and time so officials may be contracted.
- b. Paying two officials the set fee of \$70. (Beginning with the 51st mile, mileage will be reimbursed at 40 cents per roundtrip mile.)
- c. Charging admission at \$7 per person for First Round game.
- d. Retaining all gate receipts and paying all other expenses including scorer and timer.
- e. Notifying the Regional Manager and the MHSAA of the game results.

Teams are encouraged to arrive one hour before competition time. Failure to be ready to compete thirty minutes after the scheduled starting time of the tournament will result in forfeiture. In emergency situations and when a delay has been reported, the manager may delay the start time. It is strongly recommended that traveling schools obtain phone numbers in advance to home team management.

Games may not be scheduled during school time (Monday through Friday, prior to 3:30 p.m.) without MHSAA approval. MHSAA staff may change the date, time and location of a previously scheduled tournament game if the originally scheduled game involves extensive travel for both teams and an acceptable site can be secured. MHSAA staff will consult with both teams and the Tournament Manager and may require that the competing teams secure an acceptable field.

6. AWARDS

The winning school in each Division at each Regional Tournament will receive a trophy. The runner-up team and championship team in each Division at the Finals Tournament will receive a trophy. Members of the winning teams at

Regionals and the runner-up and winning team at Finals will receive medals. Only MHSAA approved awards are to be presented to student-athletes at MHSAA tournaments. If a school wishes to purchase additional Regional or Finals medals, they can be ordered by using the Additional Medal Order Form included in this information.

Extra Medal Order Form – <http://www.mhsaa.com/Portals/0/Documents/AD%20Forms/medal%20form.pdf>

7. LIMITS OF COMPETITION

Teams and individuals may have a maximum of 18 dates of competition during the regular season. MHSAA tournament dates do not count against season maximums. No student shall compete in more than three games and/or scrimmages of lacrosse in one week (Monday through Sunday), including regular and MHSAA tournament play. An individual is limited to one game per school day. A team may compete in a multi-team tournament in which the total allowable playing time for any team is not more than 150 running time minutes and the event counts as one of the 18 regular season contests. The following provisions would apply: A student or team shall compete in no more than three multi-team tournaments in its regular season schedule. Each tournament must be held on a single day, counting as one of the 18 games of competition allowed. No more than 25 minute running time halves can be played to not exceed 150 total minutes **or** two regulation games may be played (overtimes are not permitted). Clock stops for injuries with one time out allowed per team per half. Multi-team tournaments may only be held on non school days. There are no overtimes permitted, the games shall end in a tie. If a student or team participates in a multi-team tournament, that student or team shall compete in no more than two regulation games or scrimmages that week, Monday through Sunday, in addition to the multi-team tournament.

NOTE: Girls lacrosse did NOT adopt the “five halves allowance”. The limits of competition include: **No student shall compete in more than three games and/or scrimmages of lacrosse in one week (Monday through Sunday), including regular and MHSAA tournament play.** An individual is limited to one game per school day and a team may compete in **three** multi-team tournaments in which the total allowable playing time for any team is not more than 150 running time minutes and each event counts as one of the 18 regular season contests.

8. FINANCES

Admission for all spectators is \$7 at the Regional Tournaments, \$9 at the Semifinal Tournaments and \$11 at the Finals. Starting with the Regional Semifinal games, digital tickets will be sold via GoFan. For the first rounds of Regionals, host schools will sell tickets just like a regular season home game.

9. OFFICIALS SELECTION/ASSIGNMENTS

Officials will be assigned by MHSAA Committee in all rounds of the tournament (including first round Regional games.) Managers must notify the MHSAA immediately the time and place of the pre-regional, first round, semi-finals and final regional games so officials can be procured.

10. PLAYING RULES/ADAPTATIONS

MHSAA tournaments will be conducted using the rules, regulations and interpretations (as minimum standards) found in the current MHSAA Handbook and qualifications found in the MHSAA Bulletin, or Tournament Manager's Material. The rules found in the NFHS endorsed US Lacrosse rules book for girls will be followed.

For all regular season and MHSAA tournament games, a regulation game consists of two 25-minute periods, unless extended because of a tie score. If darkness, rain or other causes interfere with play so that the game is called (ended by the referee), it is a regulation game if at least forty minutes of playing time has elapsed (80% of 50 minutes). All regular season and tournament games called prior to being a regulation game (as above) shall be resumed from the point of suspension whether continued on the original date or a future date.

Point Differential Rule – If a team is leading by 10 or more goals, the clock will continue to run after goals and within the last 2 minutes of play in each half (no stop clock). If the difference becomes less than 10 goals, the stop clock is reinstated. It is recommended that a visible clock and scoring device be in use for all tournament games.

Overtime Procedures: MHSAA Committee DID NOT adopt the Sudden Victory Overtime Rule and the previous overtime procedures continue to be retained. These procedures are as follows:

When the score is tied at the end of regular playing time, both teams will have a 5-minute rest and toss a coin (visiting captain calls) for choice of ends. The alternate possession shall continue from regulation. The game will be restarted by a center draw. Each overtime shall be two three-minute halves. The clock stops on official time-outs or fouls in the critical scoring area. After the first half of the overtime period, teams shall change ends with no delay for coaching. The game will- be restated by a center draw. The team which is ahead at the end of six minutes wins the game.

If the teams are still tied after six minutes have elapsed, the teams will have a 3-minute rest and change ends. Play will continue with “sudden victory” overtime periods of six minutes in length (two 3-minute halves) with 3 minutes in between and change of ends until a winning goal is scored.

11. MEDIA

Media credential requests for District and Regional meets are processed by local managers. Credential requests for Girls Lacrosse Finals will be handled by the MHSAA.

Videotaping - Competing schools may videotape games in which that school competes. The tape is not to be used to second-guess decisions made by game/meet officials. Schools wishing to videotape games at other sites may do so without securing advanced permission but must tape from the stands unless press box space is available. Spectators may tape games from their normal seating area but are not to interfere with the view of other spectators or news media personnel covering the activity. A manager is not required to provide electrical hook-ups; or tripod space and may arrange spectator videotaping from a designated location(s). Video shot by schools and spectators may not be distributed on the Internet; nor may it be otherwise distributed, sold, rented or loaned for commercial purposes.

Souvenir Program Policies - Teams winning Regional titles in selected sports must fill out and e-mail program information and a team photograph to the MHSAA office to be used in the souvenir program for the Semifinals and the Finals in the event the team qualifies for Final round play. Program information kits are available on the respective sports pages of the MHSAA Web Site. Complete directions for filling out and submitting information and photographs is included with each kit. All program information and photographs must be submitted by e-mail.

Information For Regional Tournaments - Teams competing in MHSAA Regional tournaments shall provide, upon request, team rosters, photographs and other information as necessary, to local tournament managers so that a souvenir program may be assembled for the event.

Merchandising/Promotion Policies/Use of MHSAA Logo – The MHSAA logo and acronym are registered trademarks. MHSAA tournament trophy designs are also copyrighted. Use of these legally protected marks requires written permission of the MHSAA. Contact the MHSAA Communications Director for additional information.

Multimedia Policies/Audio/Video/Still Photography Rights – The MHSAA owns the rights to all multimedia (audio-video-still images-Internet) at all levels of its tournaments. Still and video photography is allowed by individual spectators from the seating area of the venue unless the host school district or facility has a previously-existing policy which is more restrictive. The MHSAA has exclusive multimedia arrangements for its Final events.

MHSAA Handbook Regulation II, Section 14(A) reads as follows: “No school may sell or rent videos (DVD, tape or film) or sell still images of contests which are part of an MHSAA tournament without the permission of the MHSAA.” If a school wishes to authorize an individual(s) to create multimedia content, the principal or athletic administrator must contact the tournament manager for passes and access. Refer to the publication, MHSAA Multimedia Regulations, for more information.

Post-Game Interviews – Coaches should also be readily available to meet with the media shortly after the conclusion of a contest. It is recommended that approximately five minutes after the game, managers provide a location other than the team locker rooms for post game interviews with coaches and/or players the coach may wish to designate for interviews. Locker room access should never be allowed to media. Inasmuch as many media outlets are often on deadline following contests, interviews should be granted before any lengthy team meetings occur.

Participating Team/Spectator Internet Streaming – The broadcast and streaming rights of MHSAA post-season tournament events belong exclusively to the NFHS Network, FOX Sports Detroit, the MHSAA, and those media outlets which have pre-arranged to secure those rights.

Teams participating in MHSAA Tournaments are prohibited from streaming live video of any portion of an event over the Internet - including using social media platforms like Periscope and Facebook – or any other method.

Likewise, individual spectators are also prohibited from streaming video through any means. Participating schools are responsible for informing their students, parents and other fans of this policy and to assist the MHSAA upon request in enforcing it.

Participating schools are asked to help promote where their particular game may be viewed when being streamed by the MHSAA, one of its television partners, or a media outlet which has pre-arranged to secure such rights.

12. SPORTSMANSHIP

The official has the power to eject without any previous warning any player guilty of flagrant or repeated violation of the rules, dissent, misconduct, or abusive language. This immediate ejection will be noted by issuing a red card. Any player receiving a red card (ejected) must leave the field and enter the penalty area for four minutes of elapsed playing time and no substitute may take her place during that four-minute period. Any player receiving a second yellow card (suspended) must leave the field and enter the penalty area for two minutes of elapsed playing time and no substitute may take her place during that two-minute period. Once the full penalty time has been served, the team may substitute another player for the player who has been ejected or suspended. Anyone receiving two yellow cards (suspended) or a red card (ejected) in the game will not be eligible for further participation in that game.

Any ejected player receiving a red card will be prohibited from participating in the team's next game. If in attendance at the next game, an ejected player must serve her next-game suspension in her team's bench area for the entire game including on-field pregame, game or post-game activities. The ejected player may not be dressed in her game uniform.

When a coach is disqualified during a contest for unsportsmanlike conduct, that coach shall be prohibited by his/her school from coaching for the remainder of that day of competition and from coaching at or attending at least the next day of competition for that coach's team. Failure of the school for any reason to enforce this regulation will prohibit the school from entry in the next MHSAA tournament for that sport, or from the remainder of the current tournament if the disqualification occurs during an MHSAA tournament or during the last regular-season contest.

Unless a school or the MHSAA applies additional conditions, suspension from coaching requires at least that the coach not be at or near the team bench before, during or after the contest and not be in or near the locker room before, during or after the contest and not give instructions directly or indirectly to coaches or players from any position in or near the field of play.

Disqualifications from one season carry over to the next season in that sport for undergraduates and coaches, or the next season in any sport for seniors. If the playing rules for a sport specify an additional penalty or more rapid progression, or use of such a progression for other violations, the playing rules apply.

Any coach who is disqualified for unsportsmanlike conduct two or more times during a season, any player who is disqualified for unsportsmanlike conduct three or more times during a season, and any coach or player who is ejected for spitting at, hitting, slapping, kicking, pushing or intentionally and aggressively physically contacting an official at any time during that season, is not eligible to participate in the MHSAA tournament for that sport that season. If the tournament disqualifying ejection for that individual occurs during the MHSAA tournament, that player or coach is ineligible for the remainder of that tournament.

If a school fails to enforce a suspension with respect to one of its students which is required under MHSAA regulations, tournament management or any representative of a member school who become aware of the violation shall report it to the MHSAA for further action, which shall include (but not be limited to) forfeiture of the contest and thus elimination from the remainder of the tournament. If a team is removed from competition in protest, the contest is forfeited to the opponent and the coach and principal of the removed team must appear before the Executive Committee to indicate why additional action should not be taken.

The Executive Committee may also require the appearance of personnel from other schools and game officials. If the coach is ejected from the contest and an assistant coach, or an assigned school representative is not available to continue as the coach the event is terminated and forfeited to the opponent. When a contest is interrupted or it ends prematurely because of breakdown of proper sportsmanship and whether or not the on-site officials forfeit the contest to one team, one or both schools may be subjected to any or all, but not limited to, the following: censure, probation with competition, probation without competition, forfeiture, loss of privilege of revenue sharing, expulsion. In addition, it may be required of one or both schools that their coaches and administrators appear before the Executive Committee to indicate why additional action should not be taken.

Team Sports Spectator Celebrations – During contests, officials will penalize under applicable sportsmanship or playing rules those student-athletes or coaches who leave the field of play and contact or approach spectator areas for celebration. Each school shall assign an acceptable number of adult crowd control supervisors to be stationed in front of its student cheering sections. Each tournament manager or the MHSAA Staff will determine the acceptable number of crowd supervisors necessary for each school dependent on the situation. At the conclusion of contests, prior to or after awards are presented, athletes shall not enter spectator areas or physically contact spectators in the stands. Similarly, spectators shall not run on the field. Crowd supervisors are to ensure that spectators do not press the facility and run on the field. Athletes shall not enter spectator areas and physically contact spectators in the stands.

Any cost for repair or replacement to facilities damaged as a result of celebrations shall be paid by the school involved directly to the host facility within 30 days of the bill being submitted to the school. MHSAA reimbursement or revenue sharing will be withheld until paid by the offending school. Future tournament hosting privileges or school reimbursements to offending schools may be withheld if payment is not made.

13. WEATHER POLICIES, SUSPENSIONS, POSTPONEMENTS

When teams are delayed in arriving at tournament sites because of inclement weather, management is encouraged to consider delaying competition for a few hours and/or playing games/matches in brackets of teams/individuals that are present and prepared to participate. If, after a reasonable delay, fewer than 60% of the scheduled teams/individuals have not arrived, the tournament must be rescheduled. If 60% or more of the scheduled teams/individuals are present, the tournament is to be conducted on the day scheduled.

14. INJUNCTION, RESTRAINING ORDER, PROTESTS

If an injunction or restraining order is served or presented at an MHSAA tournament site and such purports to require the eligibility of or participation by a student or team which a school and/or the MHSAA has ruled to be ineligible under MHSAA regulations, the on-site tournament manager is to suspend the entire competition (team competition) or events in which that student is intending to participate (individual competition). If the meet has begun, it shall be completed.

Protests will not be reviewed by the MHSAA. All disputes must be decided at the site before the game proceeds. The judges will make the final decision regarding meet events. The Tournament Manager will resolve all next game concerns.

15. TOBACCO AND ALCOHOL POLICY

Use of alcohol or tobacco, including e-cigarettes or other smoking devices, is prohibited at MHSAA tournament events by players, coaches and spectators. Managers should stress in coaches meetings that they are not to use tobacco at the tournament venue.

16. YOUTH PROTECTION POLICY

During the MHSAA Tournament events, the MHSAA expects all designated managers, volunteer or paid staff assisting in the event, officials or any other personnel to follow local school district policy and state statute regarding the mandatory reporting of child abuse, bullying, hazing and sexual harassment. A report of such activity shall be made to legal authorities and to the MHSAA Executive Director or his designee.

17. UNMANNED AERIAL VEHICLE (DRONE) POLICY

The use of unmanned aerial vehicles ("UAV"), also known as drones, is prohibited for any purpose by any persons at MHSAA tournament venues. Tournament management shall refuse admission or entry to anyone attempting to use a UAV; and if necessary, tournament management shall remove anyone attempting to use a UAV and/or confiscate the UAV until the event has been completed. For purposes of this policy, a UAV is any aircraft without a human pilot aboard the device.

An exception to this policy may be made in specific cases for MHSAA broadcast partners, provided the management of the tournament facility permits the presence of UAVs for broadcast purposes under the control of the MHSAA.

18. LOCKER ROOM PRIVACY POLICY

Using devices of any kind to capture or transmit images is strictly prohibited in locker rooms, dressing areas, training rooms, weigh-in rooms, showers, restrooms, or other areas where there is an expectation of privacy during MHSAA tournament events. Tournament managers or athletic directors that discover such use should move immediately to have the device removed and inform the head coach or athletic director of the identity and nature of the activity of the person involved.

19. SPECTATOR POLICIES

The following general policies apply to spectators at MHSAA Lacrosse Tournament events. Tournament managers may also have additional school, facility or institutional restrictions and/or policies.

- Banners are allowed with Meet Manager approval.
- Noisemakers must be approved by the Meet Manager. Air horns and whistles are not allowed.
- Body paint is not allowed.
- Spectator Videotaping – Spectators may tape games from their normal seating area but are not to interfere with the view of other spectators or news media personnel covering the activity. A manager is not required to provide electrical hook-ups; or tripod space and may arrange spectator videotaping from a designated location(s).
- Tournament management may request that spectator sections not stand during play if standing will block the view of other spectators. If possible, policies which prohibit spectator sections from standing during play should be communicated to participating teams in advance of their arrival at the tournament site. Spectators are not allowed on the field.
- The policies of the local host site shall prevail with respect to pets/animals. In the absence of local host policy, animals or pets shall not be permitted to enter MHSAA tournament venues; including spectator and team areas. However, properly marked or documented service animals which are leashed or harnessed at all times may accompany spectator paying admission or attending with other approved team or school personnel. Individuals who bring service animals are asked to bring their own waste disposal bags and request special seating in advance of the event if this is needed.

20. RETURN TO ACTIVITY & POST-CONCUSSION CONSENT FORM

<https://www.mhsaa.com/portals/0/documents/health%20safety/returntoplay.pdf>

