

RAISING & HONORING THE GAME

2024 – Celebrating 13 lucky years of sharing this information with love, commitment and passion for the Game.

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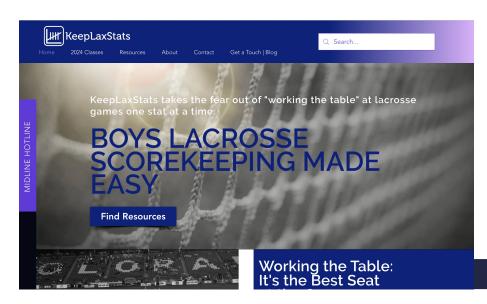
Respect the Game & Each Other.

SPIRIT.

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GAME OVERVIEW

LACROSSE

THE GAME

ONE FIELD

10 PLAYERS/TEAM

TWO TEAMS

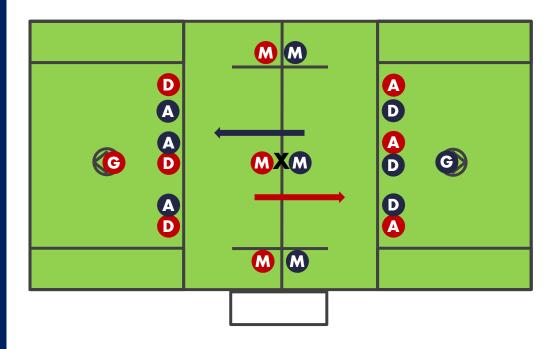
FOUR QUARTERS

ONE WINNER



OBJECTIVE WIN THE GAME BY SCORING THE MOST GOALS

BOYS' LACROSSE FIELD PLAYER POSITIONS



10 PLAYERS per TEAM

Attack (3)

Midfield (3)

Offensive and Defensive

Middies

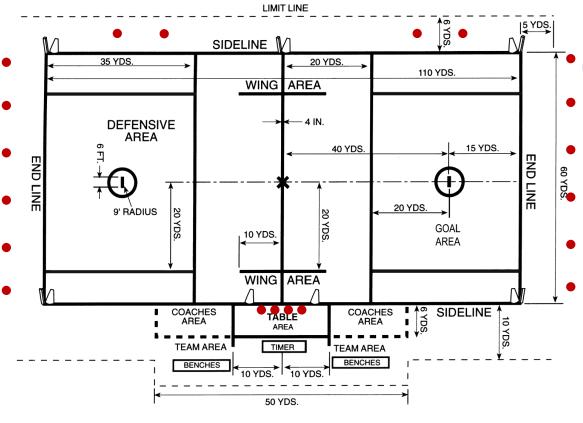
Defense (3)

– Long poles (D-poles)

Goalie (1)

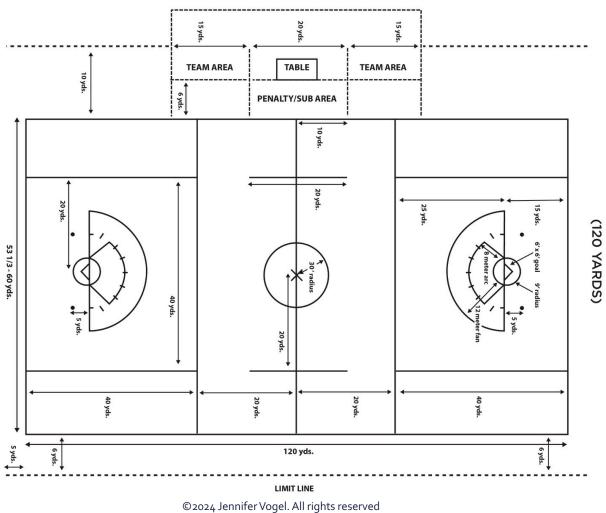
BOYS' LACROSSE FIELD SETUP

Dimensions may vary – Width must be between 53.5 and 60 yards.



Changes in 2023
Table area =
10yds wide
Coaches boxes =
20 yds wide

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BOYS' AND GIRLS' UNIFIED FIELD MARKINGS



NOCSAE®

National Operating Committee on Standards for Athletic Equipment

Home team must supply NOCSAE imprinted balls at the time of manufacturing for game play. **All balls** must have the NOCSAE seal.

- Field setup at start and after EACH quarter
- At least five (4) balls on each end line
- At least four (4) balls on each side line opposite benches
- At least 4 balls at the table

If the visiting team supplies the balls, the visiting team is awarded possession on the opening faceoff.

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	PRE	Q1		Q2	HALF	Q3		Q4	(OT)	POST
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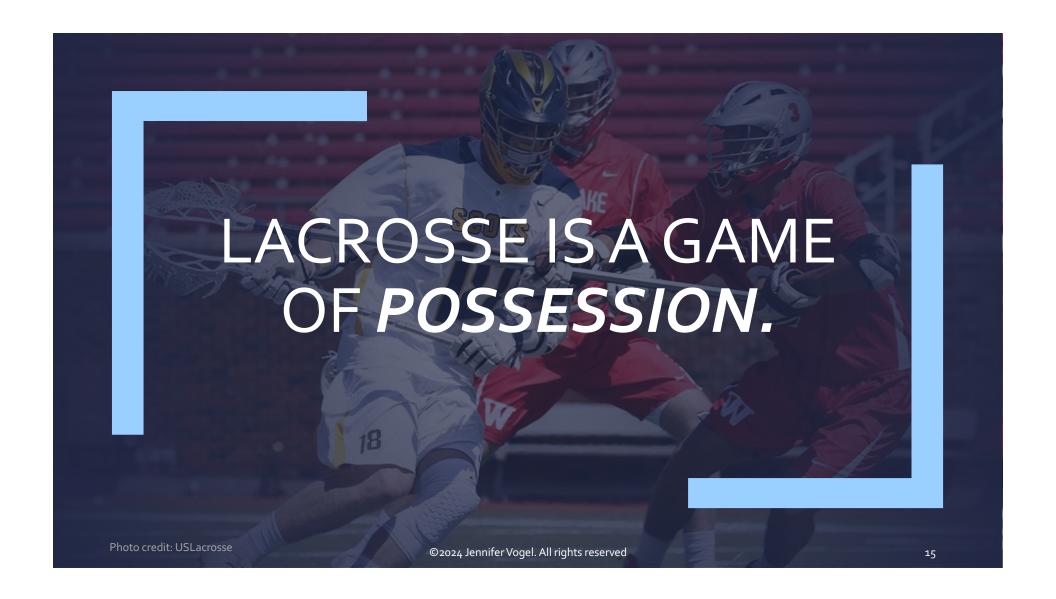
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KEYTERMINOLOGY

POSSESSION – SHOT – ASSIST – GOAL – SAVE – GROUNDBALL

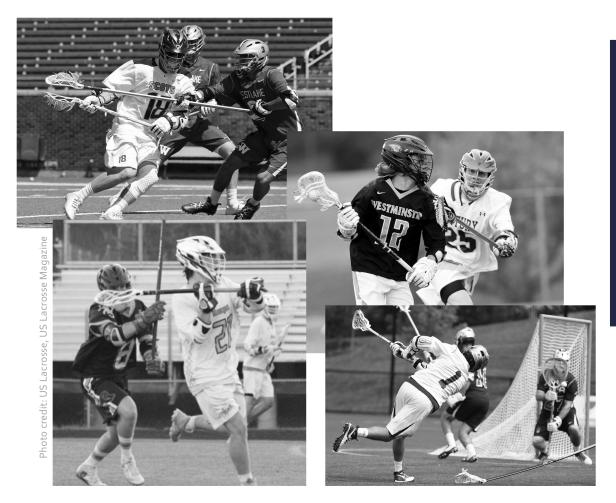
FACEOFF

- √ Start each quarter*
- √ After each goal



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POSSESSION



CARRY. CRADLE. PASS. SHOOT.

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GAIN OF POSSESSION during LIVE BALL (Play) ... under pressure



GROUNDBALL

- ✓ Change of possession
- ✓ Take Away
- ✓ Interception
- ✓ From Faceoff
- ✓ From Shot
- √ From a Dropped Ball*

DEFINITIONS

A save is recorded any time the ball is stopped or deflected by the goalkeeper's body or crosse in such a manner that had the ball not been stopped or defected it would have resulted in a goal. Any one direct pass by a player to a teammate who then scores a goal without having to dodge or evade an opponent other than the goalkeeper. Only one assist is possible per goal. A goal scored by a member of the defensive team on its own goal is a team goal.
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Time of goal is to be recorded as the time remaining in the quarter. It is the time "on the clock."
A ball propelled toward the goal by an offensive player either via a pass, a kick or otherwise physically directed. If the ball ricochets from another player and results in a goal – no shot is awarded. Any shot at the goal.
On a shot that results in scoring or those saved by the goalie. Reconciliation – Saves + Goals = SOG
Any ball not in possession of one team that becomes into possession of that team while in live-ball play is deemed a ground ball. It may be an intercepted pass, a loose ball on the ground, a goalie snagged catch. The ball must be obtained under pressure – whereby an opponent is within five (5) yards of the loose ball. If the player drops the ball on his own volition and pick it up again, no ground ball is awarded. Contestation is a must.
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OFFENSIVE STAT

IN THE DETAILS



SHOT versus SHOT ON GOAL

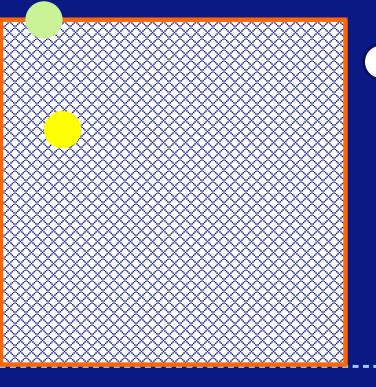
SHOT – A ball propelled toward the goal by an offensive player.
Shot on Goal results in a SAVE or a GOAL. Always.

A shot wide is simply a SHOT. Shot high is just a SHOT.

A shot hitting the pipe of the goal is just a SHOT, not a SOG nor a SAVE.

DEFENSIVE STAT

IN THE DETAILS



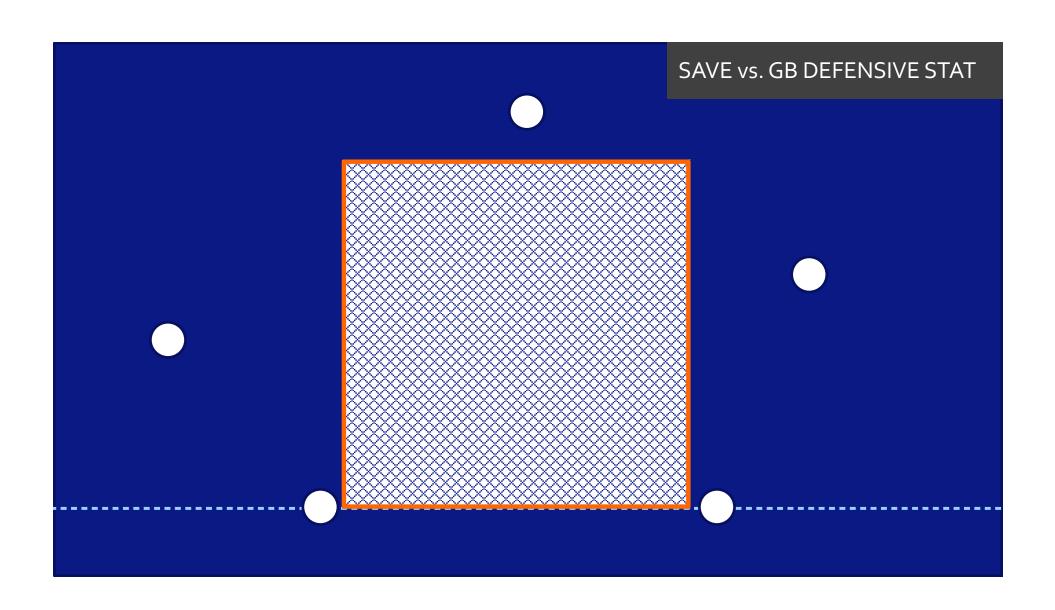
SAVE vs. GB vs. NO STAT

Inside the square = SAVE or GOAL

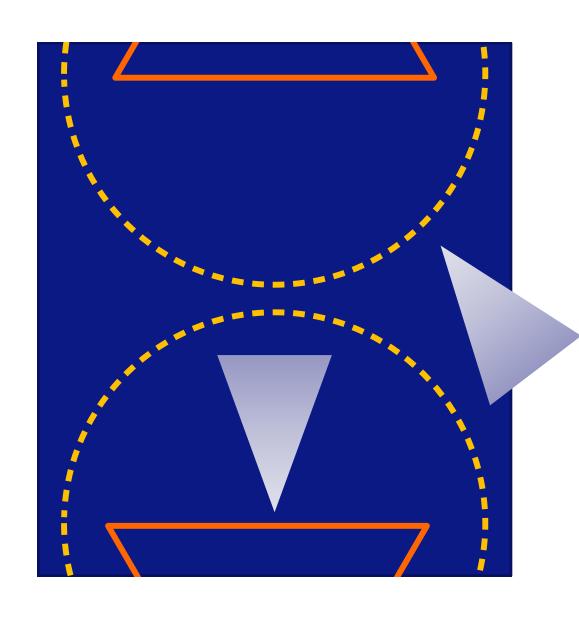
Outside the square? NOTHING or GROUND BALL

Ball lands in the crease?

Hit the pipe? SHOT, GB or NO STAT



SAVE vs. GB DEFENSIVE STAT



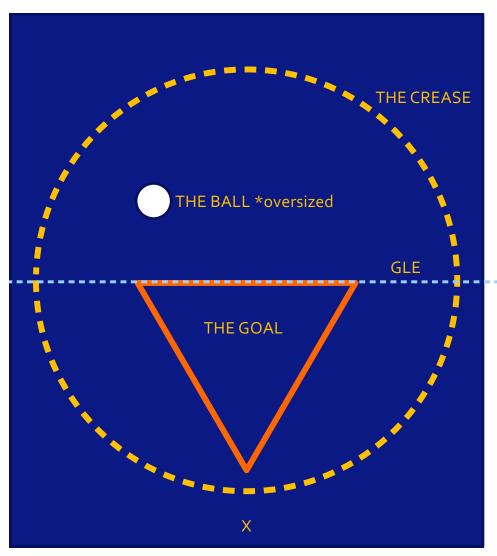
CREASE PERSPECTIVES

ACTION:

Shot v. Shot on Goal

RESULT:

Goal vs. Save



"GLE" Goal Line Extended

The imaginary line that extends the goal line through and outside the crease

"X"

Play at X, From X

X is the location directly behind the goal.

GOAL

Balls crosses the goal

line completely.

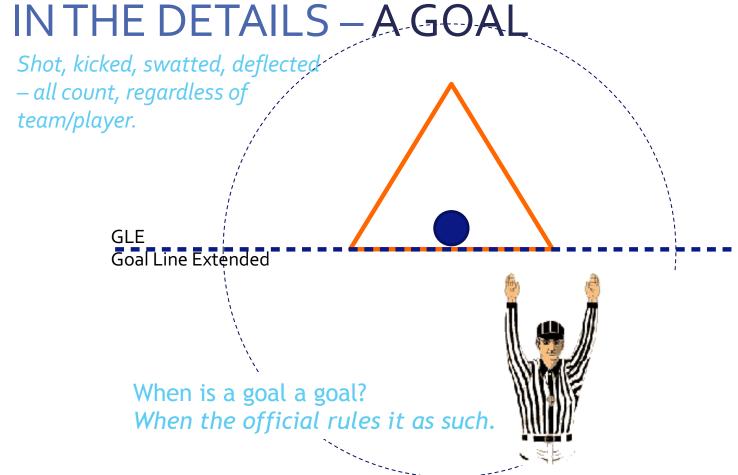
Goal awarded to the player with scoring impetus.

Player vs. Team



(#5) DENVER VS (#1) DUKE

Credit: LaxFactor Podcast



ASSIST



Awarded to THE player whom **WITH INTENT**, passed the ball to the player scoring the goal.

At the discretion of the official scorer. PERIOD.

Credit: ESPNU / 2014 ACC Championship

SAVE



Ball is PREVENTED from GOING IN THE GOAL.

If the goalie did not stop it or was not in goal, would it have been a goal?

GROUND BALL



Credit: ACC Network

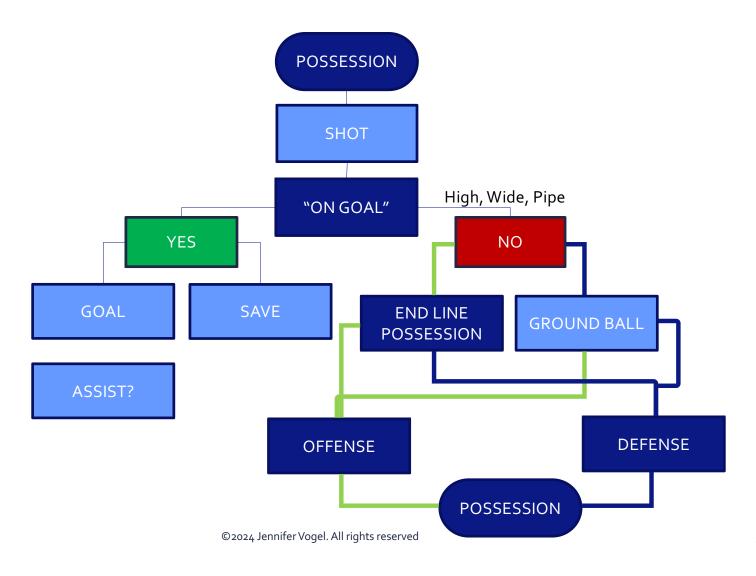
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GB *always* results in possession.

- Faceoff
- Shot
- Interception
- Caused TO
- Dropped pass*
 - * With contestation

GROUND BALL EXCEPTIONS

- Player A drops ball, is not contested and regains possession, there is NO GB.
- Ball lands in crease, Goalie picks up ball NO GB
- GB is typically awarded on a Face Off. May not be if play ends out of bounds prior to possession being called.



REVIEW Ground ball Shot Shot on Goal Save Goal Assist

Ground ball is the ability to gain possession and demonstrate control: carry, cradle, pass, shoot.

A shot on goal results in a GOAL or a SAVE.

A ground ball is a change of possession or the result of a loss of possession and regaining it with contestation. A ground ball does NOT need to be on the ground to be a GB. Possession is required.

If the goalie bobbles a save and then gains possession, there is NO GB.

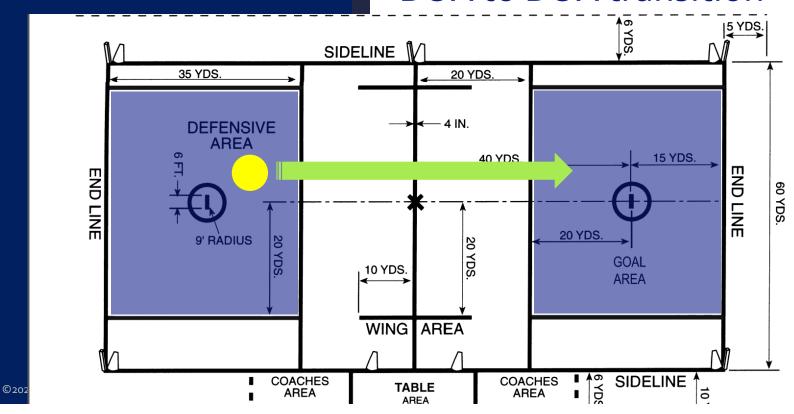
If the goalie saves the ball, and the ball drops in the crease OR if the goalie gains possession in the crease, there is NO GB.

If the shot hits the goal, otherwise known as a pipe, identify as a SHOT. No Save awarded.

Clear	The attempt from one team to move the ball into the offensive area from its defensive area. A successful clear is awarded when the clearing team successfully establishes possession in their offensive area before the other team gains possession.
Extra-Man Offense/Defense	Any time a team is playing with one or more men short (extra) counts as an extraman opportunity for the offense. If both teams are "short", there is no EMO. Man-up goals are scored when the defensive does not yet have a full-team on the field.
Crease Violation	If an offensive player steps into the offensive crease. Possession is awarded to the defense.
Turnover	Turnovers occur when a player or team in possession of the ball or entitled to possession of the ball loses possession of it – either live ball or dead ball situation. The player responsible for the change of possession is awarded the turnover. If no one player is identifiable, the turnover is awarded to the team.
In Home	The first player in the scorebook roster for the game. This player serves any team penalties. The time served does not count toward his total penalty time.
Extra Man	Any time a team is playing one or more men short or extra counts as an extra-man opportunity (EMO) on defense or offense.
All Even	Both teams have the same number of players on the field.
Take Away	Defenseman takes the ball away from the driving offenseman. Results in a GB to defenseman.
Interception	Pass caught by the opposing team when intended for a teammate; results in a GB.
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IN THE DETAILS THE CLEAR

THE CLEAR BOX to BOX transition



IN THE DETAILS

THE FAILED CLEAR



IN THE DETAILS

EVEN

9 field players



6 OFFENSIVE field players

EXTRA MAN OFFENSE

vs 9 field players

vs 5 DEF field players



IN THE DETAILS

EXTRA MAN / EMO MAN UP or MAN DOWN

The penalized team loses an active player for an infraction.

RESULT	MAN UP TEAM	MAN DOWN TEAM
MAN UPTEAM GOAL	EMO Success	N/A
MAN UP TEAM NO GOAL	EMO Failure	Penalty Kill

IN THE DETAILS TURNOVERS

Lose possession

- Dropped
- Thrown away
- Taken Away

TURNOVERS & CAUSED TOs & TAKE AWAYS

Gain possession

- Forced out of bounds
- Checked ball (Taken away)
- Interception

Groundball likely results.



YOUR ROLE (a) THE TABLE



GAME "OFFICIALS"

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- Home Team Scorekeeper & Timekeeper
- Opponent Scorer
- Spotter(s) Optional
- Field Referees (2-4)

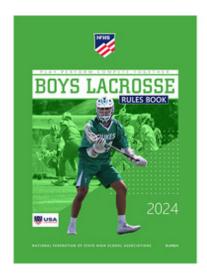
ANNOUNCER



HOME TEAM TABLE CREW

Requirements

- Scorebook
- Working Timing Device
- Table
- Working horn (hand-held or part of the scoreboard)
- Personnel to score and time
- Officials for the game
- Trainer
- NOCSAE game balls with the field set (end and side lines)
- Writing instruments
- Current Rules Book



As of 2/6/2024 — the 2024 Rule <u>Book was only available via</u> <u>NFHS.org</u> for \$12

HOMETEAM TABLE CREW Optional



AED & CPR & MEDIC

Grants & Discounts Available

https://www.uslacrosse.org/safety/aed-players-pulse https://www.onebeatcpr.com/landing/limited-time-offer/ Requirements: NONE

Optional: Scorer & Spotter

NOTE: The home team is NOT required to provide your team with water.

AWAY TEAM TABLE CREW

WORKING TOGETHER

PREGAME:

- Confirm length of quarters
- Verify the In-Home Men
- Identify how to alert end of quarter/game

DURING THE GAME:

- Confirm score & timeouts
- Double horn



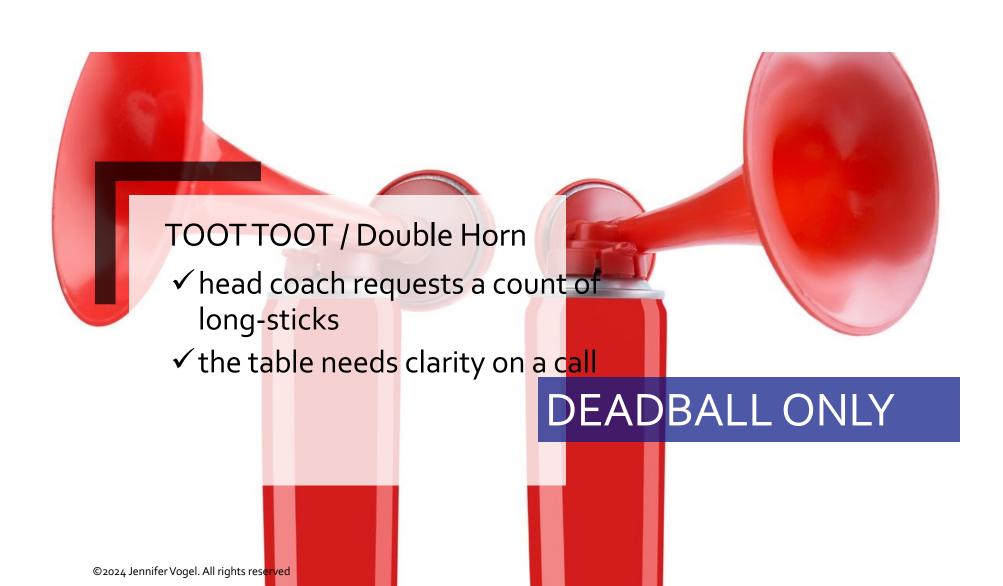


TABLE ENVY















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TABLE REALITY



Shout out to SOCALLAXASSOC!

EXTRAS

ONE – TWO TABLES required.

- Tent or umbrellas for rain / heat
- Insect repellant
- Two chairs (not three or four) of appropriate height to write well
- Boards for under chairs (even if turf)
- Extra writing instruments
- Water for spotter
- Extra timer
- Extra batteries
- Hand warmers | snow gear
- Binder clips

2024 RULES & CHANGES

Rule Changes & Clarifications for 2024

https://www.nfhs.org/articles/boys-lacrosse-rules-changes-2024/

- 1. Most rule changes in 2024 clarified existing rules.
- 2. Emphasis on safety continues ...

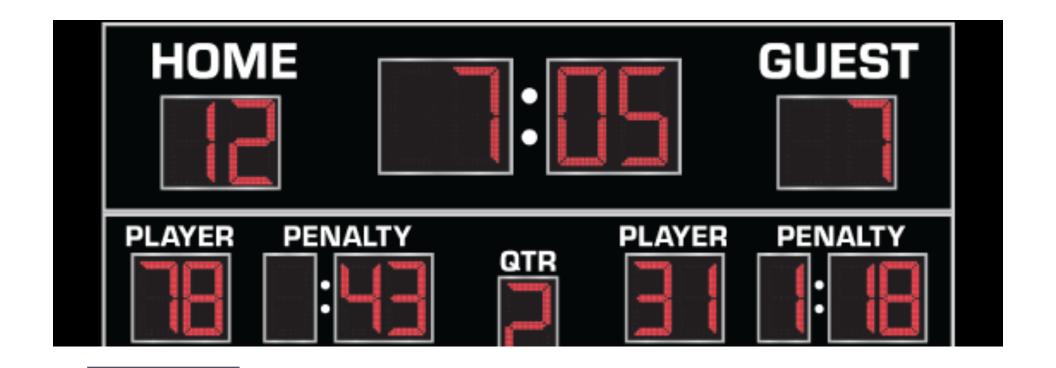
NEW in 2024:

4-24-11 If a player has the helmet come off during play, play shall be suspended immediately, and the player shall leave the field until after the next dead ball following the resumption of play.

5-4-2 A player who makes indirect contact to an opponent's head and/or neck when the initial force of the contact is to the body of the opponent then slides up to the head and/or neck area.

PENALTY: A one-minute non-releasable foul. An excessively violent violation may result in a longer non-releasable penalty or an ejection.





THE TIMEKEEPER

KEEPING THE CLOCK & THE HORN

Game Clock

Clock Start/Stop

- Before Game
- During Game
- Intermissions
 - Between Periods
 - Half Time
- Time Outs
- Game End

Penalty Clock(s)

Penalty Start / Release

- Releasable
- Non-Releasable

The Horn

Man the horn

- End of periods
- Alerts



TIMEKEEPER | WHAT YOU DO

- ✓ Home team provides the official timekeeper(s)
 game and penalty clocks.
- ✓ If you are a time-keeper for the game, please arrive at least 30 minutes prior to the game start.
- ✓ Find and check operations of game clock.
- ✓ Familiarize yourself with how the controller operates.
- ✓ If you use stop watches, know how to stop/start/reset and do it quickly.



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MERCY RULE

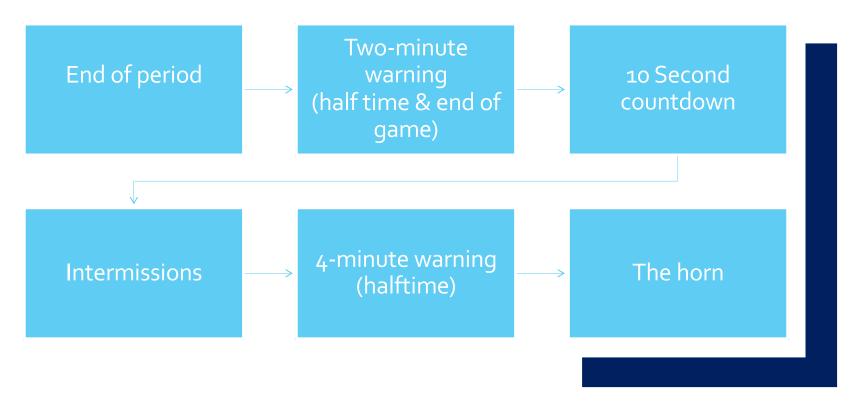


Running Clock...

- in the Second Half.
- when the GOAL differential is 12 Goals.
- and remains running clock.
- Clock only stops for time outs and end of periods.
- Penalty time during running clock starts on the whistle.

If goal differential becomes less than 12, go back to STOP CLOCK immediately on the next whistle

GAME TIMEKEEPER'S DUTIES



TIMEKEEPER: Points of Emphasis

BEAUDIBLE. BEFAIR. BEACCURATE.

THE HORN

- A horn is required at the table, regardless of using a scoreboard for the end of period/game.
- You will sound the horn at the end of each time period.
- The horn may be DOUBLE TOOTED during the next dead ball for a coach's request, when official's help is needed or on an early release from the penalty box.





PENALTYTIMEKEEPER'S DUTIES

Track the penalty time for BOTH teams and manage the penalty box.



PENALTY TIMEKEEPER

Penalties vary in time

- Personal fouls 1-3 minutes depending on the infraction
- Technical fouls 30 seconds

Penalty Types:

- RELEASABLE Penalty penalty time is over when goal is scored
- **UNRELEASEABLE** Penalty the full penalty time is served regardless of goal or period ending

PENALTY TIMEKEEPER



Set the penalty clock



Calculate the "release" time



Start the clock on the whistle



Audibly countdown from 10-seconds



3-2-1-RELEASE



Reset the clock as "get-ready"





QUICK CALC for PENALTY TIME RELEASE

:30 SECOND PENALTY

If seconds at the time of penalty are between o-30 seconds, subtract 1 min and add 30 seconds:

For example – Time of penalty is 8:03, 30-second penalty release is 7:33

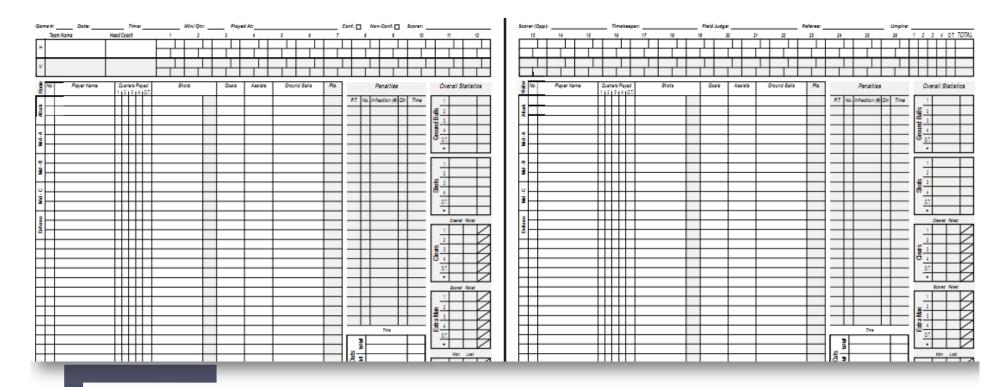
8:03 = 8-1, 03+30 = 7:33

If seconds on the clock at the time of penalty are between 30-59, subtract 30:

For example — Time of penalty is 3:53, 30-second penalty release is 3:23

3:53= 3-0, 53-30 = 3:23





THE SCOREKEEPER

SCORER'S DUTIES

1

Recordkeeping

Score Penalties Timeouts 2

Statistics

Goals | Shots | Shots On Goal Assists Saves | Goals Against Groundballs Faceoffs Clears Turnovers | Caused Turnover Extra Man Opportunities

SCORER'S DUTIES

PREGAME	DURING	POST-GAME				
Verify your roster with coach	Record goals/assists by player	Tally game stats				
Enter opponent's roster	Record penalties by type and player	Provide coach with book				
Share your roster with opponent's scorekeeper	Record timeouts by team by half					
Verify the in-home player* for both teams and share with the head referee	Track and tally stats accurately					
Record all officials' names in book	Confer with officials					
	Update the announcer					
	Update score on board					
Compete with Class ~ Honor the Game						

HOMETEAM SCORER'S DUTIES Pregame

- 1. Unless specified by the head official, the home team scorer shall be the official scorer.
- 2. You should be on-site at least 20 minutes prior to the start of game.
- 3. Obtain the scorebook from your team's coach.
- 4. Verify that the roster has been entered for the game.
- 5. You will be asked by the official who is the "in-home man" for each team.
- 6. Enter pertinent game information
 - 1. Opponent's name, coach's name, officials' names
 - 2. Game date/time (Weather)
 - 3. Your name
- 7. Obtain the opponent's roster and enter into your scorebook.
- 8. Share your roster with the opponent's scorer.
- 9. Share rosters with the announcers (optional). Take photo and email to the press box.

SCORER'S DUTIES In Game

- Record goals and assists into the scorebook via player #
- Verify the goals/assists and player #s with the referee at the end of each quarter.
- **Record timeouts** accurately. Notify the nearest referee immediately if more timeouts are taken than allowed.
- Record the time of, duration, infraction type and player # when penalties are assessed.
- Notify the nearest official immediately if a player accumulated more than five (5) minutes of personal fouls.
- Notify the nearest official if a player enters the contest without being on the roster prior to game start.
- Track all statistics accurately.
- Tally stats by quarter.
- Be friendly with the opponent's scorer.
- Ensure that the focus at the timer/scorer table is on the game and clear from visual and audible obstructions.

SCORER'S DUTIES Post Game

- ✓ Offer humble congratulations and gratitude to other table officials and respect opponent
- ✓ Tally statistical totals. Confer with opponent scorekeeper if needed.
- ✓ Provide head coach with the score book following the game for signature.
- ✓ **TAKE PHOTOS** of the entire Game's stat sheets.

SCOREKEEPER: Points of Emphasis

BE ACCURATE. BE KNOWLEDGABLE. LISTEN ACTIVELY.

PRIORITY OF STAT RECORDING

MUST-HAVE

In-Home/Rosters

Score

Goals

Assists

Penalties

Timeouts

HOME TEAM
SCORER
Required for
both teams?

NICE-TO-HAVE

Shots v SOG

Saves v Goals-Against

Groundballs

YES

Faceoffs (Win/Loss)



BONUS

Turnovers (TA,TO and CT)

Clears
Extra Man Opps





SPOTTER'S DUTIES

- ✓ Keeps an extra set of eyes on the game.
- ✓ Calls/confirms the plays of the game.
- ✓ Helps with penalty time keeping.
- ✓ Leave the binoculars at home.

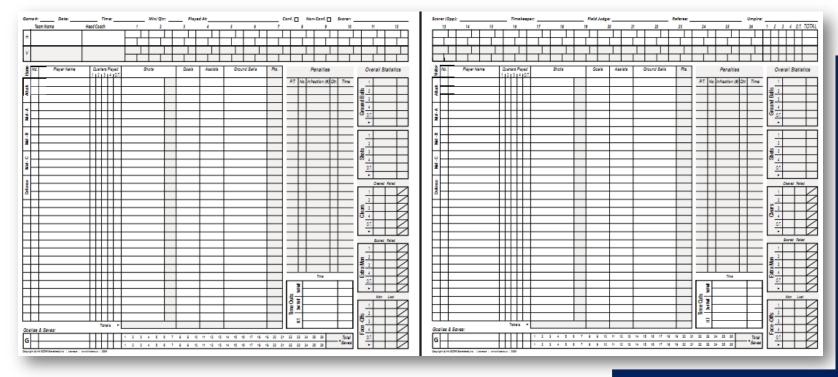
SPOTTER'S JARGON

"X from Y"	Player X scored the goal; Player Y had the assist, where X and Y are the players' numbers.				
"White X Groundball"	Award Player X in the white jersey a ground ball, where X is the player's number.				
"Blue X Shot (wide/high)" "Blue X Shot on Goal"	Award Player X in the blue jersey a shot. Shot may be on-goal or not.				
"Save"	Goalie prohibits goal as shot on goal is made.				
"Blue Possession"	"Blue" team wins face off. "White" team loses face off.				
"Clear by Blue"	"Blue" team successfully moves ball from their defensive area across the midline and into the offensive area.				
"White X" and "Blue Y"	Name the faceoff players numbers with a pre-call of the team color.				
"Caused turnover White X, Turnover Blue X, Groundball White Y"	If the event of a caused turnover, call the team color of the player whom caused the turnover as well as the ground ball (team color and number). Call the player team color and number whom turned the ball over.				

SPOTTER: Points of Emphasis

BE SUCCINCT. BE AUDIBLE. BE KNOWLEDGABLE.

KEEPING THE BOOK



BREAKING IT DOWN LEVEL 1

FOCUS ON WHAT'S MOST IMPORTANT

- Enter rosters + in-home
- Keep score (Goals and Assists)
 - who scored
 - who assisted
 - time of goal
 - quarter
- Keep penalties
 - who
 - duration of penalty
 - type of penalty
 - time penalty occurred
 - quarter
- Keep time outs
 - time & quarter

FOR BOTH TEAMS if HOME SCORER

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BREAKING IT DOWN LEVEL2

THEN WORK ON ...

- Ground balls
- Shots & Shots on Goal
- Saves
- Face offs

start with your team as tallies, then work toward tracking stats to the player, then track both teams.

BREAKING IT DOWN LEVEL3

THEN WORK ON ...

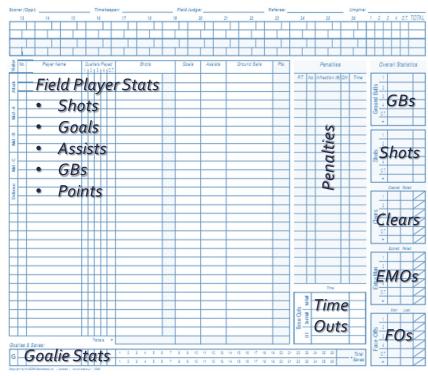
- Clears
- Extra Man
- Turnovers, Take Aways and Caused Turnovers

Again, start with your team as tallies, then work toward tracking both teams



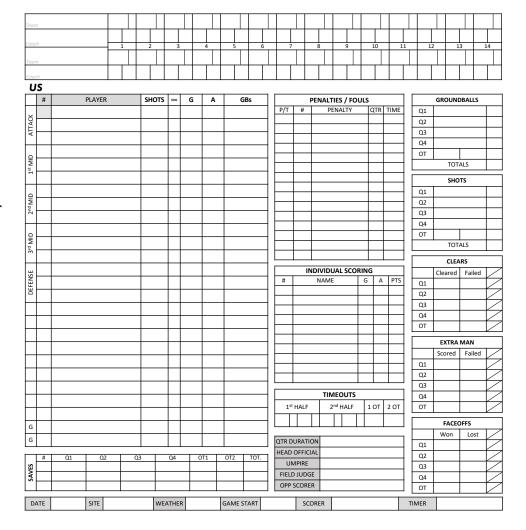
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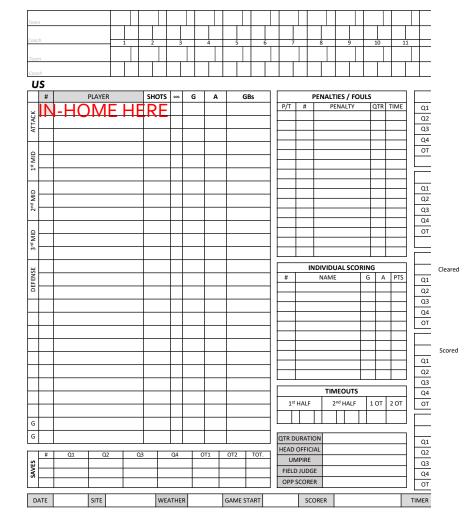
YOURTEAM OPPONENT

HAVE EXTRA SHEETS www.tinyurl.com/keepstats



RECORD THE "IN-HOME MAN"

- Each team designates an in-home man.
- The number and name are entered as the FIRST player on each roster in the scorebook.
- The in-home player does play ATTACK.
- It is typically the "third" starting attackman on the team.
- This player is confirmed with the each head coach and verified by the officials.
- This player serves penalties called against the team or coach or other non-player (could be a parent).



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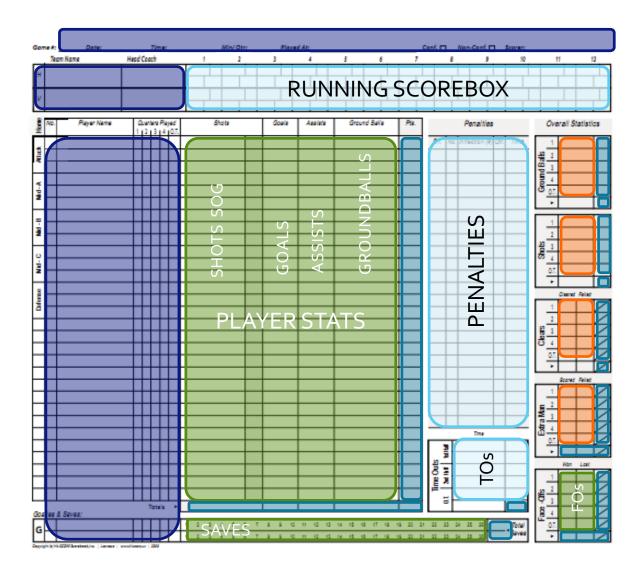
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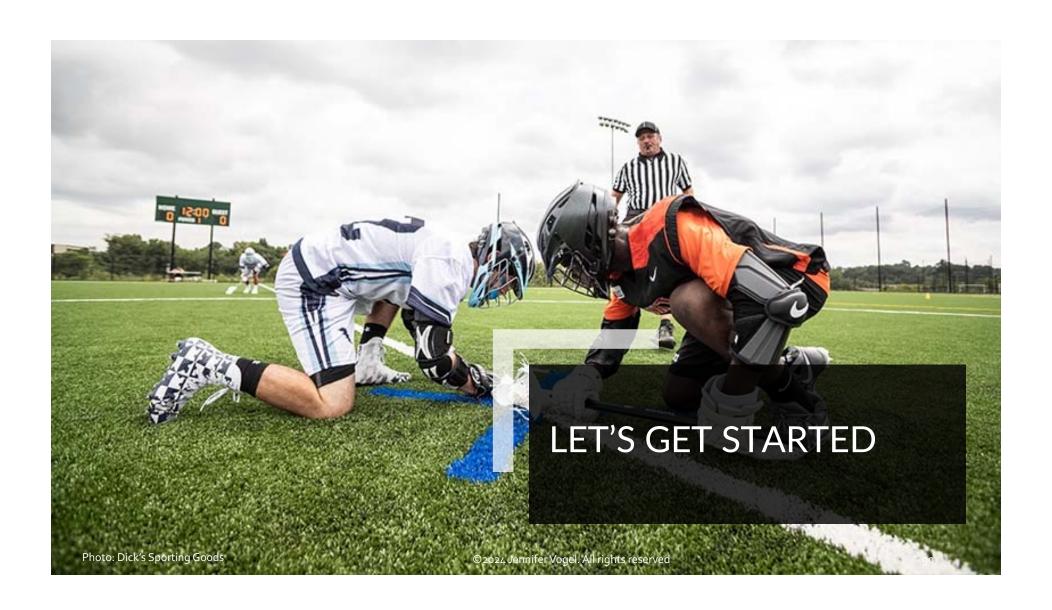
IN GAME / REALTIME

IN GAME / REALTIME

IN GAME
SHORT BREAKS

IN GAME
INTERMISSIONS
and/or
POSTGAME





RECORDING STATS – THE SUPER SECRET SAUCE

COLORED ERASABLE INK PENS WITH FINE POINTS

- Change color per quarter
- Use contrasting colors
 Avoid using blue/green or red/orange in back to back quarters/half

4 color Get ink Multi Pershttps://www.jetpens.com/blog/the-best-multi-pens/pt/257

JetPens.com

FriXion Multi Pen – erasable Pilot Dr Grip 4+1 – has pencil Uni Jetsteam 4+1 – great for Lefties



Pilot Frixion Ball 4

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READY ... **SPOTTER** White 20 vs. Blue 14 Whistle TIMEKEEPER **CLOCK ON** Possession Possession Blue, **SPOTTER** (FO win 14), GB 34 FO win, Blue 14 **SCORER** GroundBall Blue 34 ©2024 Jennifer Vogel. All rights reserved 92 **SPOTTER**

Blue 34 Shot, Wide, Groundball Blue 32

SPOTTER

Blue 34 Shot on Goal. Goal is Good. 34 from 32.

Whistle

TIMEKEEPER

<Clock off>
Time is 11:42 in the First

SCORER

Confirming ... Goal Blue 34, Assist 32 11:42 / 1

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RECORDING STATS

COLORED PENCILS or PENS

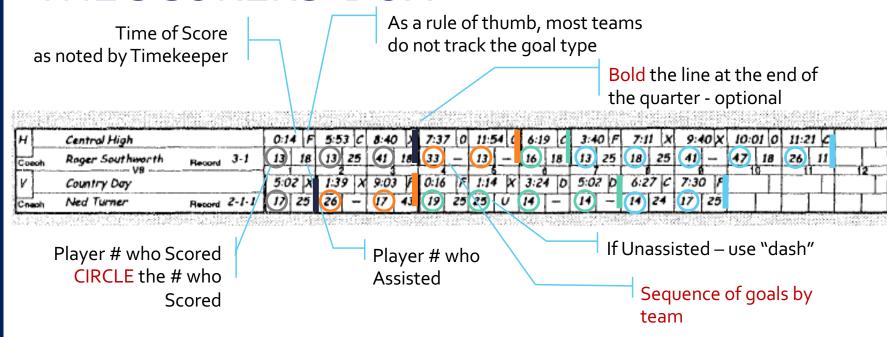
- Change color per quarter
- Use contrasting colors
- Avoid using blue/green or red/orange in back to back quarters/half
- Think perpendicular for Shots and Shots on Goal (SOG)
- Think quadrant for GBs







THE SCORERS' BOX



WHITE 30 SHOT, ON GOAL, FROM 41.

Goal is good. 30 FROM 41.

Time: 7:41 in the first

WHITE TEAM	7:41 1			
Coach Smith	30 41			
	1	2	3	4
BLUE TEAM				
Coach Jones				

BLUE 1 SHOT, ON GOAL, FROM 20.

Goal is good. 1 FROM 20.

Time: 3:23 in the first

WHITE TEAM	7:41 1			
Coach Smith	30 41			
	1	2	3	4
BLUE TEAM	3:23 1			
Coach Jones	1 20			

BLUE 20 SHOT, ON GOAL, UNASSISTED

Goal is good. Goal 20.

Time: 2:07 in the first

WHITE TEAM	7:41 1			
Coach Smith	30 41			
	1	2	3	4
BLUE TEAM	3:23 1	2:07 1		
Coach Jones	1 20	20		

WHITE 41 SHOT, ON GOAL, UNASSISTED

Goal is good. Goal 41.

Time: 11:07 in the second

THE CALL.

WHITE TEAM	7:41 1 11:07 2	2
Coach Smith	30 41 41	
	1 2	3 4
BLUE TEAM	3:23 1 2:07 1	
Coach Jones	1 20 20	

WHITE 35 SHOT, GOAL, UNASSISTED Goal is good. Time: 10:10 in the third

WHITE TEAM	7:41 1 11:07	2 10:10 3	
Coach Smith	30 41 41	35	
	1 2	3	4
BLUE TEAM	3:23 1 2:07	1	
Coach Jones	1 20 20 -		



RECORDING PLAYER STATS

#	Player Name	Shots	SOG	Goals	Asst	GBs
30	Rodgers	П		1		
35	Coulson	Ш		I	1	
41	Myles	1	_			
20	Ulster					

Using perpendicular lines for Shots and Shots on Goal (SOG)

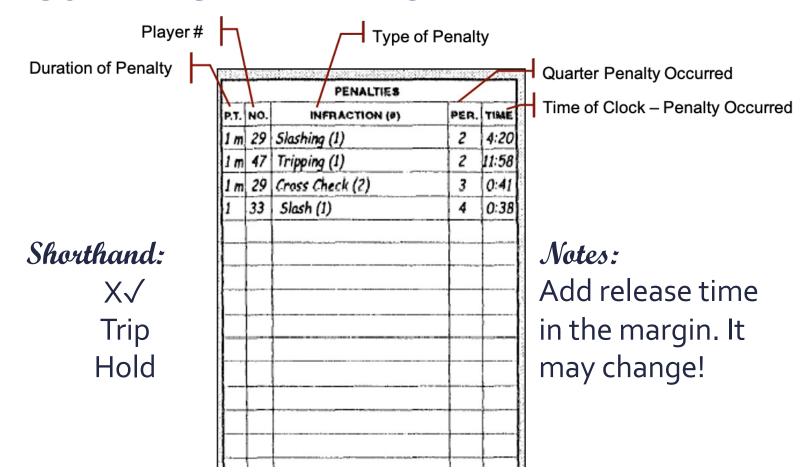
Vertical line (pipe) = shot Horizontal link (dash) = sog



GOAL is SCORED, did you...

- 1. Record goal in scorers box?
 - Player #
 - 2. Time of goal
 - 3. Quarter
 - 4. Circle the Player # who scored
- 2. Give player Shot on Goal and Goal in player stat area.
- 3. Record assist, if needed?
 - 1. Player # with assist in scorers box
 - 2. Give player Assist in player stat area
- 4. Change score on scoreboard.

RECORDING PENALTIES



Personal Fouls – "Safety related" infractions

The penalty for a personal foul is a one to three minute suspension from play and possession to the team that was fouled. Players with five minutes of personal fouls are ejected from the game.

SLASHING: Occurs when a player's stick contacts an opponent in any area other than the stick or gloved hand on the stick.

TRIPPING: Occurs when a player obstructs his opponent at or below the waist with the crosse, hands, arms, feet or legs.

CROSS CHECKING: Occurs when a player uses the handle of his crosse to make contact with an opponent.

UNSPORTSMANLIKE CONDUCT: Occurs when any player or coach commits an act which is considered unsportsmanlike by an official, including taunting, obscene language or gestures, and arguing.

UNNECESSARY ROUGHNESS: Occurs when a player strikes an opponent with his stick or body using excessive or violent force.

ILLEGAL CROSSE: Occurs when a player uses a crosse that does not conform to required specifications. A crosse may be found illegal if the pocket is too deep or if the crosse was altered to gain an advantage.

ILLEGAL BODY CHECKING: Occurs when any of the following actions take place: (a) body checking of an opponent who is not in possession of the ball or within five yards of a loose ball: (b) avoidable body check of an opponent after he has passed or shot the ball; (c) body checking of an opponent from the rear or at or below the waist; (d) body checking of an opponent by a player in which contact is made above the shoulders of the opponent. A body check must be below the neck, and both hands of the player applying the body check must remain in contact with his crosse.

ILLEGAL GLOVES: Occurs when a player uses gloves that do not conform to required specifications. A glove will be found illegal if the fingers and palms are cut out of the gloves, or if the glove has been altered in a way that compromises its protective features.

Technical Fouls

The penalty for a technical foul is a thirty second suspension if a team is in possession of the ball when the foul is committed, or possession of the ball to the team that was fouled if there was no possession when the foul was committed.

HOLDING: Occurs when a player impedes the movement of an opponent or an opponent's crosse.

INTERFERENCE: Occurs when a player interferes in any manner with the free movement of an opponent, except when that opponent has possession of the ball, the ball is in flight and within five yards of the players, or both players are within five yards of a loose ball.

OFF SIDES: Occurs when a team does not have at least four players on its defensive side of the midfield line or at least three players on its offensive side of the midfield line.

PUSHING: Occurs when a player thrusts or shoves a player from behind.

SCREENING: Occurs illegally when an offensive player moves into and makes contact with a defensive player with the purpose of blocking him from the man he is defending.

STALLING: Occurs when a team intentionally holds the ball. without conducting normal offensive play, with the intent of running times off the clock.

WARDING OFF: Occurs when a player in possession of the ball uses his free hand or arm to hold, push or control the direction of an opponent's stick check.

MOUTH GUARD: If mouth guard not worn, technical foul assessed.



NON-RELEASABLE Serves FULL TIME – regardless.

Targeting, Throwing a Crosse (Unsportsmanlike), Illegal Crosse OFFICIAL SIGNALS

OFFICIAL LACROSSE SIGNALS













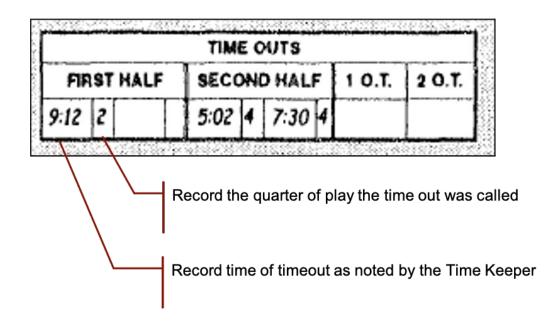




PROCEDURAL SIGNALS

TRACKING TIME OUTS

NOTE: There are two timeouts permitted per team per half. One time out per team per OT period.





PENALTY called, did you...

- 1. Record penalty in scorebook.
 - a) Penalty duration
 - b) Player #
 - c) Infraction type
 - d) Quarter
 - e) Time on clock
- 2. Calculate release time.
- 3. Start penalty clock on official's whistle.

- TIME OUT called, did you...

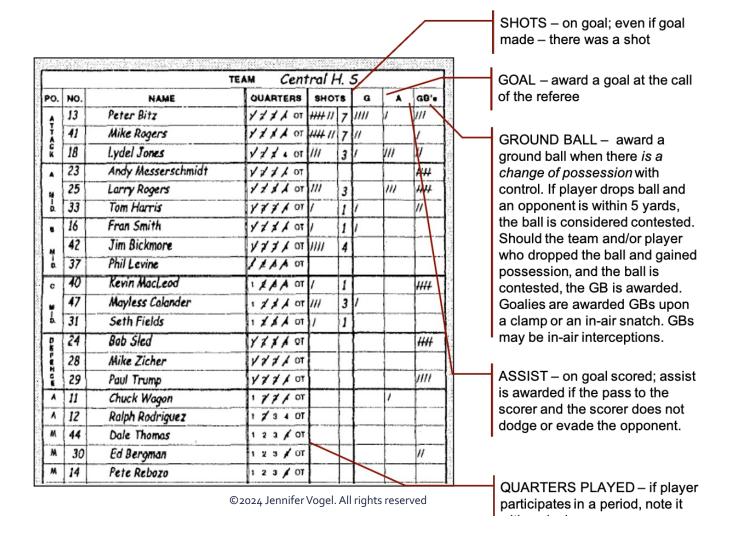
 1. Set stopwatch for 2 minutes.
- 2. Record time out for the appropriate team.
 - a) Time on clock
 - b) Quarter

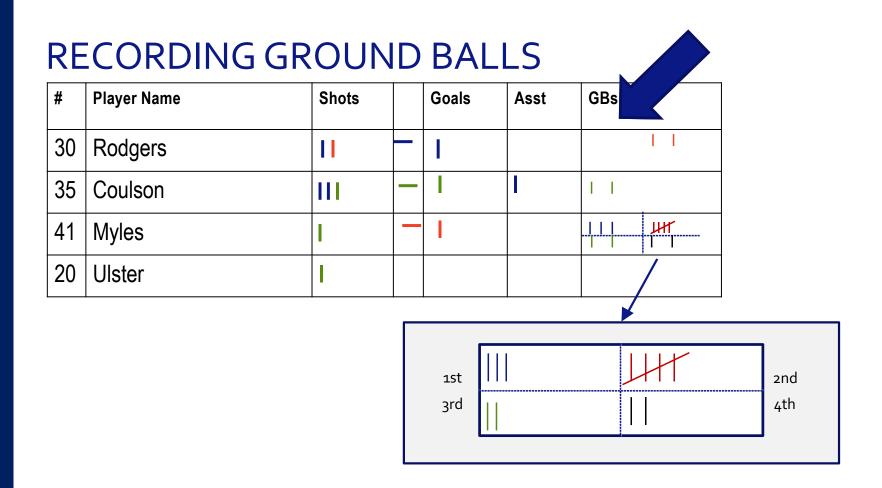


Ground balls

Shots

Saves Face offs







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RECORDING FACE OFFS

Per	Won	Lost	%
1	²⁰ 20	20 ¹²	50%
2	12	12	50%
3	20	20	50%
4	12 12		100%
OT			
	6/10		60%

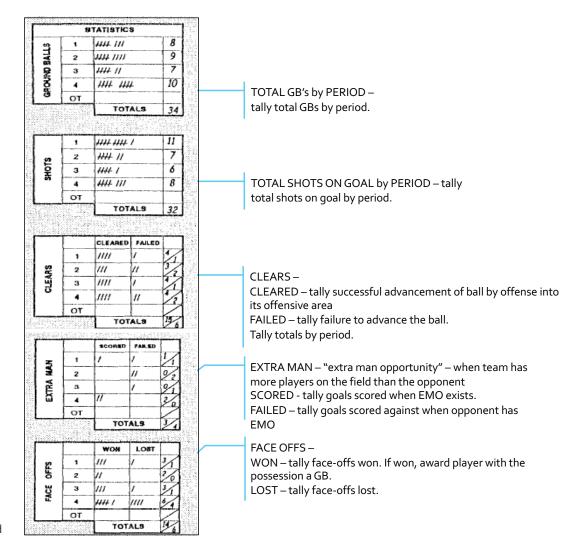


#20 #12 20's and 12's individual stats: 3/5 = 60%3/5 = 60%

ADVANCED ...

Clears EMOs

TRACKING TEAM STATS



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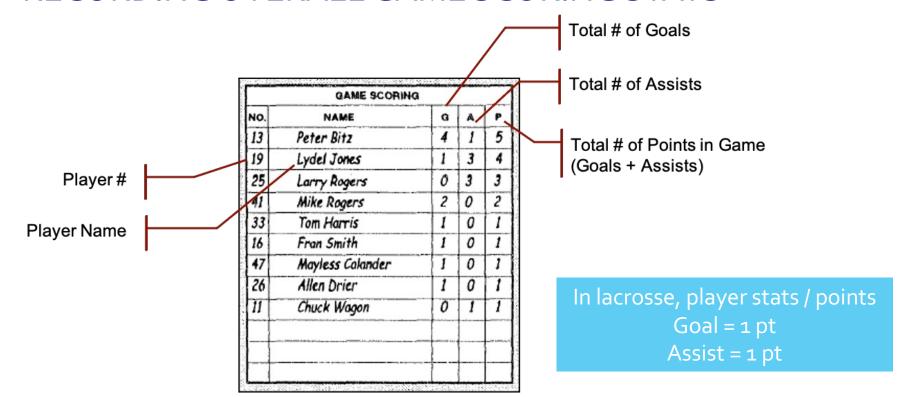
END OF QUARTER, did you...

- 1. Confirm score with officials.
- 2. Confirm score with opponent's scorekeeper.
- 3. Reset clock.
- 4. Tally stats.

HALFTIME, did you...

- 1. Set clock for 10 minutes
- 2. Notify officials at 4 minutes left in half.

RECORDING OVERALL GAME SCORING STATS





END OF CONTEST, did you...

- 1. Congratulate.
- 2. Confirm score.
- 3. Reset clock.
- 4. Tally stats.
- 5. Give scorebook to coach.



WHEN ANNOUNCING A GAME...

BE EARLY. BE PREPARED. WORK WITH OFFICIALS.

PROMOTE SPORTSMANSHIP.

STICK TO THE BASICS.

BE ACCURATE.

AVOID TALKING OVER THE ACTION.

BE ATTENTIVE. KEEP YOUR COOL. BE PROFESSIONAL.

Check out the NASPAA Code of Conduct.

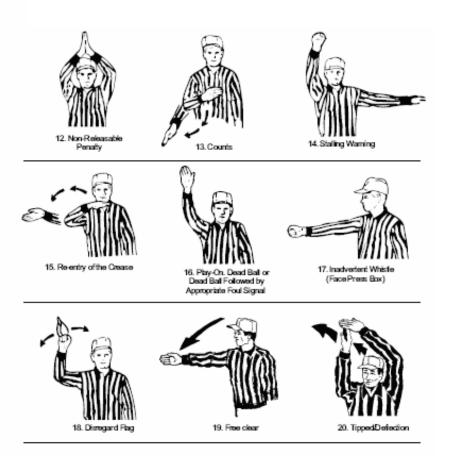
https://www.nfhs.org/sports-resource-content/public-address-announcers-quidelines/

DO YOUR BEST. BE A STUDENT. BE A KEEPER.



OFFICIAL LACROSSE SIGNALS Timeout, For Discretionary or Injury Timeout, Follow Signal Above with Tapping of Hands on Chest 3. No Score 5. Alternate Possession 6. Ball in Possession on 8. Out of Bounds Direction of Play Faccoff and Start the Ball has Entered Clock at Haltime Attack Area 11. Simultaneous

9. Failure to Achence the Ball

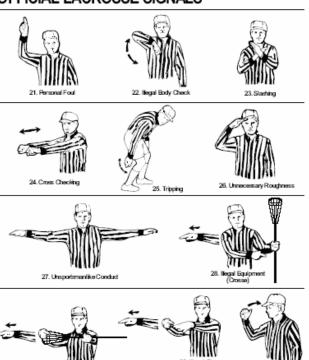


Fouls

SIGNALS - FOULS

Personal

OFFICIAL LACROSSE SIGNALS



Technical



HOT LINKS

NFHS Lacrosse Rules

http://www.uslacrosse.org/rules/boys-rules.aspx

Rule changes: https://www.nfhs.org/articles/boys-lacrosse-rules-changes-2024/

COLORED PENCILS: <u>www.jetpens.com</u> – Search for "multi pen"

NFHS LACROSSE UNIFORM SPECS

https://www.nfhs.org/media/869200/boyslacrosseuniforms.pdf

OFFICIALS TRAINING

https://www.usalacrosse.com/become-official

NFHS: http://www.nfhs.org/

US LACROSSE / NFHS LACROSSE RULE BOOKS/eBOOKS – at nfhs.org

QUICK REFERENCES

NCAA STATISTICIANS' GUIDE

http://fs.ncaa.org.s3.amazonaws.com/Docs/stats/Stats_Manuals/MLacrosse.pdf

SCOREKEEPER HIGHLIGHTS

https://www.nfhs.org/sports-resource-content/boys-lacrosse-scorerquidelines/

TIMEKEEPER HIGHLIGHTS

https://www.nfhs.org/media/869199/nfhs-boys-lacrosse-timer_s-guidelines.pdf

PUBLIC ADDRESS ANNOUNCER GUIDELINES

https://www.nfhs.org/sports-resource-content/public-address-announcers-quidelines/

LACROSSE – THE SPIRIT OF THE GAME

You CAN stay involved.

Consider:

- Continuing to keep stats / spot for the team or another team
- Officiating yes, this is an option!
 Contact your local LOA (Lacrosse
 Officials Association) for certification and training requirements
- 3. Announcing games
- 4. Getting involved with USA Lacrosse at the local level
- 5. Coaching at any level





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THANKYOU and BEST OF LUCK to you and your program this season.