

FIELD HOCKEY
SECTION XI



2016

SECTION XI FIELD HOCKEY HANDBOOK

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EFFECTIVE 2012-2014: UNIFORM WAIVER NYSPHSAA has granted a waiver for uniform tops through 2014. When ordering new uniform top, please comply with regulations in the current NFHS Field Hockey Rules Book.

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FIELD HOCKEY HANDBOOK

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I. FIELD HOCKEY RULE CHANGES:

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF STATE HIGH SCHOOL ASSOCIATIONS



NEWS RELEASE

Long-hit Procedure in High School Field Hockey Replaced by 25-yard Free Hit

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Contact: Mark Koski

INDIANAPOLIS, IN (September 6, 2016) — The “long-hit procedure” in high school field hockey will be replaced by a 25-yard free hit effective with the 2016 season.

This revision in Rule 7-3-2 was one of eight rules changes recommended by the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) Field Hockey Rules Committee at its January 13-15 meeting in Indianapolis. All rules changes were subsequently approved by the NFHS Board of Directors.

Beginning next season, the attacking team will be awarded a 25-yard free hit instead of a long hit when a defender unintentionally causes the ball to go across the end line or if the ball glances off the stick/person of a defender in this area and goes across the end line. Play will be re-started with the ball on the 25-yard line that is in line with where it crossed the end line, and all procedures for taking a free hit will apply.

Mark Koski, NFHS director of sports, events and development and liaison to the NFHS Field Hockey Rules Committee, said the new procedure for awarding the attacking team a 25-yard free hit will eliminate the need for the long-hit mark on the field. As a result, the long-hit line will be eliminated from the field diagram in the NFHS Field Hockey Rules Book.

With the requirement for field players to wear eye protection that meets the current ASTM standard, the committee eliminated language that permitted other protective devices such as face masks. Koski said that the face masks do not meet any safety standard for ball or stick impact, nor do they offer any shatter resistance.

A change in Rule 10-3-2 last year dealing with restarts for extended-play penalty corners eliminated the clear definitions for when a penalty corner, during regular play, is considered to be completed. The committee noted that the exception to the rule added in 2015 should apply to an injury during regulation play as well as extended play.

Effective with the 2017 season, the home team shall wear white socks/sock guards only, thus eliminating the “light-colored” option. The committee noted that since the home team is required to wear single solid white uniform tops, it should wear only white socks to match the uniform top.

In another equipment change, Rule 1-7-1 will now permit the goalkeeper’s uniform top to be multiple colors to ensure contrasting uniforms with field players. In addition, effective with the 2017 season, a visible number should be on the front and back of the uniform top.

Regarding penalty strokes, the committee eliminated the final option (Rule 11-1-1e) for when a penalty stroke is awarded – “The defending team continues to deliberately cause the ball to go over the end line” – since the rules have evolved to allow umpires to better manage this situation if it occurs.

The committee approved an additional penalty in Rule 1-5-6, which addresses an entire team wearing illegal uniforms: “When an illegally uniformed team is unable to correct the situation or cannot verify state association approval of the uniform, the game shall be played. The referee must, however, notify the state association following the game.”

A complete listing of all rules changes will be available soon on the NFHS website at www.nfhs.org. Click on “Activities & Sports” at the top of the home page, and select “Field Hockey.”

According to the 2014-15 NFHS High School Athletics Participation Survey, a total of 60,549 girls participated in field hockey at 1,753 schools across the country.

II. GOGGLES AND WEARING MASKS: *A player may NOT wear a face mask*

- A. *E-mail from Bev Hooper (State Coordinator) 8/17/2016: NFHS Field Hockey Rule 1-6-5 states, "All field players shall wear eye protection that meets the current ASTM standard for field hockey."*
- B. With this said, eye protection must be worn at all times and there currently is not a protective mask that meets a ASTM standard when eye protection is used, making it illegal to wear protective face masks at the high school level.
 - 1. **This is different than last year** because Face mask are no longer legal to wear in field hockey. Since they are no longer legal to wear and you have a player who breaks their nose and is require to wear a face mask in order to play. That player may request a special accommodation waiver from the state office because this falls under medial circumstances. The player must still wear the goggles along with the face mask. Now let's say a player wants to wear a face mask because she plays defense on penalty corners. There is no medical reason for her to wear the mask, therefore it's illegal to wear it.
- C. NYSPHSAA will approve a special accommodation for medical reasons only for a student to wear a mask and the goggles at the same time. If necessary your AD must send information to Todd Nelson at NYSPHSAA

III. OVERTIME PROCEDURE - *Used in Varsity games only during the regular season*

- a. Section XI will use a maximum of **ONE (1)7V7 Sudden Victory 10 minute** as per NYS Guidelines, prior to playoffs
 - i. If a tie still exists after the 10 minute overtime a Shoot-Out will take place **(see overtime procedures - next page)**
- b. It is the responsibility of all Coaches to understand the Overtime Procedure
- c. ***Overtime for all POST SEASON games*** will follow the entire NYSPHSAA Overtime Procedure (next pages)
- d. During all regular season JV contests, should the game end in a tie, one seven-vs-seven, 10 minute sudden victory overtime period shall be played. At the end of the regulation game, there will be a coaching intermission that will last up to 5 minutes.
- e. If the score is tied at the end of the 10 minute sudden victory overtime period NO further OT periods will follow. The game is completed as a tie.
- f. ***THERE IS NO OVER TIME FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL***



Field Hockey Overtime Procedures
2016-2017

I. At the end of the regulation game, there will be a coaching intermission that will last up to 5 minutes.

The Officials will:

- Meet with Captains and Coach.
- Toss of coin: the **Visiting team** calls the toss. The winner of the toss gets choice of possession OR end of field.
- The tableside official remains the head official for all segments of the overtime procedures.

II. **Ten minute OT 7 V 7 sudden victory OT period:**

- Rolling substitutions are permitted.
- Each team is permitted one time out during the 10-minute overtime period
- Defensive corners during 7 v 7:
- Defense will be reduced to 4 players (3 plus goalie) behind end line
- The remaining defensive player goes behind the 50 yd line with the rest of the team.
- The attack remains the same.

III. **If a tie still exists after the first 10 minute overtime, the teams will play a second 10 minute 7 V 7 Sudden Victory overtime period.**

- A coaching intermission, lasting 5 minutes, will be allowed prior to the start of the second OT period.
- Teams will change ends of the field, the team not having possession at the start of the first OT shall have possession to start the second OT.
- Time-outs may not be carried over from the previous period, each team is allowed one time out.
- Rolling substitution are permitted.
- Defensive corners same as above.
- The attack remains the same.

IV. **If the score remains tied at the end of the second 10 minute overtime period; a Shoot-out will take place.**

A set of 5 alternating shoot outs take place in each series. A full set of 5 is played.

- Players from each team take a 1v1 shoot-out, alternately against the goalkeeper of the other team.
 - Five (5) players per team will take the shoot-out in the sequence nominated and communicated by the team to the umpires on duty before the start of the shoot-out competition. The order of shoot-out must be indicated to the umpires at the coin toss.
 - The umpires, in conjunction with the tournament committee will choose the goal to be used.
 - Toss of coin: The **Visiting team** calls the toss. The team which wins the toss has the choice to take or defend the first shoot-out.
1. The team scoring or awarded the most goals is the winner and the competition ceases once an outright winner is determined. Winner is declared: when there is a clear winner and play is not necessary to finish

the group of 5. ex: during the 1st group of five 1v1 scenarios, the score is 4-1 , there is no need to play out the last two players.

PLAYERS AND COACHES—

- When not involved in play, the Goalkeeper may stand on the end line on the side of the goal closest to her team OR may stand behind the 25 yd line with the 5 players involved in the shootout.
 - Team members, and coaches not involved in the shootout, may stand on the field, behind the 30 yd. line, 5-10 yards from the sideline. One team on each side of the field.
 - PLAYERS should be ready for the next shootout, but not raced into the set up.
 - If the goalie is a shooter, she is considered a field player.
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- A player who has been excluded permanently (red card) from the field of play during that same match, cannot take part in any shoot-out competition.
 - A team with a player who was carded during the shootout, must play short in the shootout period.

V. Shootout:

OFFICIALS:

- Lead and Trail officials will call the shootout.
- Lead official during regulation time will continue to be lead regardless of which goal is chosen.
- Table official will keep time.
- If Sectional games have a Certified *Table official*, the *Table official* will keep the time. If a Certified Official is not assigned to the table during Sectional games, the timer will turn her/his back to the field and start the 10 seconds with the official's whistle. The official time will be kept on the field.
- Officials should not feel they have to move the 1v1 along. Officials should scan both benches, allowing players and coaches a reasonable amount of time to set up for each shootout.

PROCEDURE:

- The goalkeeper starts on or behind the goal line between the posts.
- The ball is placed on the nearest 25 yd line opposite the center of the goal.
- The attacker stands outside the 25 yd line near the ball.
- The umpire blows the whistle to signal the start of the shootout; the attacker and the goalkeeper may then move in any direction.
- The shoot-out is completed under the following conditions:
 - **10** seconds has elapsed.
 - The attacker scores a goal.
 - The attacker commits a foul.
 - The goalkeeper commits an unintentional foul in which case the shoot-out is re-taken.
 - The goalkeeper commits an intentional foul, in which case a penalty stroke is awarded.
 - The ball goes out of play over the back-line or side-line; this includes the goalkeeper intentionally playing the ball over the back-line (not a foul). The ball simply going outside the circle a second time does not constitute the end of a shoot-out.

Replacement situations

- If a penalty stroke is awarded as specified above, it is taken by the two players involved in the shoot-out concerned, unless either of them is incapacitated or suspended. This penalty stroke will take place before the next available shoot-out takes place.
- If the replacement goalkeeper is a field player, that player is allowed reasonable time to put on protective equipment.
- If during a shoot-out competition, a defending goalkeeper is incapacitated, that goalkeeper may be replaced by another goalkeeper.
- If during the shoot-out competition, an attacker is incapacitated, that attacker may be replaced by another player from the team unless suspended by the umpire prior to or during the shoot-out competition.

VI. If a tie still exists after the first series of 5 shoot-out, a second series of 5 shoot-outs will take place.

- Coaches may change the order and/or players before the start of the second shootout.
- A coaching intermission lasting 2 minutes, will be allowed prior to the start of the second shoot-out period.
- The coach must inform the umpires as to the order in which the nominated players take the shoot-out.
- The team who had taken the first shoot-out of the first series must defend the second series.

****If a tie still exists after a second series of 5 shootouts, Sudden Victory of 5 additional shoot-outs are taken. (Follow the same process criteria as above.)**

VII. Misconduct:

1. Each team will begin the first 7v7 overtime with seven players, one of which must be a Goalkeeper, (unless players were disqualified or have not completed a suspension during any previous playing period. Teams will play short during this time.)
2. Any player who has been disqualified (Red Carded) during regulation play is not eligible for the overtime period and the team will play short for the entire overtime.
3. A player suspended (Green/Yellow Carded) during regulation play, would be eligible at the completion of the suspension timeframe of the 7v7 periods. The team plays short until the suspension is completed.
4. At the beginning of the first round of 1v1 shootout, a suspended player with time that is carried over into the 1v1 shootout round will be unable to participate in any future shootout rounds. **Teams will start the 1v1 shootout with 5 players.**
5. If an Attack player is Green / Yellow carded **during** the shootout, that player may be replaced with an eligible shooter to participate in any future shoot outs. However the player carded will be unable to participate in any future shootout rounds. Any further player who is carded during the shootout will follow the same procedure.
6. If an Attack player is Red carded **during** the shootout, their team will only have 4 shooters participate in

any future shootouts. The player carded will be unable to participate in any future shootout rounds. Any future shoot-out the player was entitled to take counts as no goal. The spot of the no goal in future shootouts will be determined by the carded player's coach.

7. If a goalie is carded **during** the shootout, she is replaced and is unable to participate in any future rounds. The replacement goalkeeper is allowed reasonable time to put on protective equipment. If the goalie is Red carded, she will be replaced and is unable to participate in any future rounds. An Attack player will be removed from the shootout series and her spot in future shootouts will count as a no goal. The spot of the no goal in future shootouts will be determined by the carded player's coach.
8. It is expected that the players and coaches will not enter the field of play until the official has signaled the end of the game or overtime. Failure to comply will be treated as misconduct.

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October, 2014 (final)
January, 2015

IV. Protest Procedure for Section XI –see Section XI Handbook (on Section XI website) for general concepts (not to be used for State Tournament)

- g. The intent to protest and specific reason(s) for such must be filed with the officials (if any) and the opposing coach as follows:
 - i. Immediately (if necessary, a substitute is to be sent to notify the official that the coach is protesting the game). If the game ends before the protest can be lodged, the protest must be made before the teams leave the field.
- h. Letter - The Executive Director must receive a protest letter from the high school principal co-signed by the athletic director describing the basis for the protest. Such letter must be received within five days of the contest protested and be accompanied by a certified or school district check payable to Section XI in the amount of two hundred dollars, refundable only if protest is upheld. ledge that a protest has been made.

V. Suspended Game: If a game, during the regular season is suspended during the first half, the game shall resume from the point of interruption. If the game is interrupted after the completion of the first half, the game is completed. **For Playoffs**, all games will be played in two full halves.

VI. Schedules: are posted on the SECTION XI website

- A. **Changing game dates:** At this point games may not be changed with the exception of inclement weather.

VII. Game Results

A. The winning teams coach must call NEWSDAY @ 631-843-2820 by 9:00 p.m.

1. For a tie game, the home coach calls Newsday

VIII. Officials' ONLINE Rating:

A. Your athletic director should provide you with a login and password to record the ratings of your officials

B. These ratings determine which officials work play-off games as well as which officials move up in rankings

IX. Field Hockey Schools By Division: (power ranking from April 2016):

A = 915 & up

B = 914-450

C = 449 & below

	DIVISION I – A (12)	DIVISION II – A (12)		DIVISION III – B & C (14)
1	Ward Melville	1	Smithtown East	1. Miller Place (B)
2	Northport	2	Eastport-South Manor	2. Rocky Point (B)
3	Sachem North	3	West Islip	3. Pierson/Bridgehampton (C)
4	Sachem East	4	Newfield	4. Harborfields (B)
5	Walt Whitman	5	East Islip	5. Comsewogue (B)
6	Commack	6	Riverhead	6. Shoreham-Wading River (B)
7	Bay Shore	7	Huntington	7. Bayport-Blue Point (B)
8	Connetquot	8	Smithtown West	8. East Hampton (B)
9	Patchogue-Medford	9	Centereach	9. Southampton (B)
10	Lindenhurst	10	West Babylon	10.Sayville (B)

11	William Floyd	11	North Babylon	11.Greenport/Southold (C)
12	HHH West/East	12	Copiague	12.Port Jefferson (C)
				13.Babylon (C)
				14.Hampton Bays (B)

➤ **FIELD HOCKEY PLAYOFF INFORMATION 2016**

- A. Class A: Top 6 teams from Division I and II are eligible for playoffs
- B. Class B: Top 5 Class B teams are eligible for playoffs
- C. Class C: Top 2 Class C teams are eligible for playoffs

X.



HEAT INDEX PROCEDURES

Administration of Heat Index Procedures:

- Heat index will be checked 1 hour before the contest/practice by a certified athletic trainer, athletic director, or school designee when the air temperature is 80 degrees (Fahrenheit) or higher.
- The athletic trainer, athletic director, or school designee will use the accuweather.com website to determine the heat index for the area of the contest/practice. The accuweather.com website can be reached through the NYSPHSAA website. Once a person is on the accuweather.com website, they will put in the zip code for the location of the contest/practice and the website will give them the air temperature as well as the RealFeel temperature (heat index).
- If the RealFeel temperature (heat index) is 90 degrees or above, the athletic trainer, athletic director, or school designee must re-check the RealFeel (heat index) at halftime or midway point of the contest. If the RealFeel (heat index) temperature is 96 degrees (Fahrenheit) or more, the contest will be suspended.

Please refer to the following chart to take the appropriate actions:

	RealFeel (Heat Index) under 79 degrees	Full activity. No restrictions
R E C O M M E N D E D	Heat Index Caution: RealFeel (Heat Index) 80 degrees to 85 degrees	Provide ample water and multiple water breaks. Monitor athletes for heat illness. Consider reducing the amount of time for the practice session.
	Heat Index Watch: RealFeel (Heat Index) 86 degrees to 90 degrees	Provide ample water and multiple water breaks. Monitor athletes for heat illness. Consider postponing practice to a time when RealFeel temp is lower. Consider reducing the amount of time for the practice session. 1 hour of recovery time for every hour of practice (ex. 2hr practice = 2hr recovery time).
N E E D E D	Heat Index Warning: RealFeel (Heat Index) 91 degrees to 95 degrees	Provide ample water and water breaks every 15 minutes. Monitor athletes for heat illness. Consider postponing practice to a time when RealFeel temp is much lower. Consider reducing the amount of time for the practice session. 1 hour of recovery time for every hour of practice (ex. 2hr practice = 2hr recovery time). Light weight and loose fitting clothes should be worn. For Practices only Football Helmets should be worn. No other protective equipment should be worn.
	Heat Index Alert: RealFeel (Heat Index) 96 degrees or greater	No outside activity, practice or contest, should be held. Inside activity should only be held if air conditioned.
REQUIRED		

Approved May 1, 2010



Concussions: The Invisible Injury

Student and Parent Information Sheet

CONCUSSION DEFINITION

A concussion is a reaction by the brain to a jolt or force that can be transmitted to the head by an impact or blow occurring anywhere on the body. Essentially a concussion results from the brain moving back and forth or twisting rapidly inside the skull.

FACTS ABOUT CONCUSSIONS ACCORDING TO THE CENTER FOR DISEASE CONTROL (CDC)

- An estimated 4 million people under age 19 sustain a head injury annually. Of these approximately 52,000 die and 275,000 are hospitalized.
- An estimated 300,000 sports and recreation related concussions occur each year.
- Students who have had at least one concussion are at increased risk for another concussion.

In New York State in 2009, approximately 50,500 children under the age of 19 visited the emergency room for a traumatic brain injury and of those approximately 3,000 were hospitalized.

REQUIREMENTS OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS

Education:

- Each school coach, physical education teacher, nurse, and athletic trainer will have to complete an approved course on concussion management on a biennial basis, starting with the 2012-2013 school year.
 - * School coaches and physical education teachers must complete the CDC course. (www.cdc.gov/concussion/HeadsUp/online_training.html)
 - * School nurses and certified athletic trainers must complete the concussion course. (<http://preventingconcussions.org>)

Information:

- Provide concussion management information and sign off with any parental permission form.
- The concussion management and awareness information or the State Education Department's web site must be made available on the school web site, if one exists.

Removal from athletics:

- Require the immediate removal from athletic activities of any pupil that has or is believed to have sustained a mild traumatic brain injury.
- No pupils will be allowed to resume athletic activity until they have been symptom free for 24 hours and have been evaluated by and received written and signed authorization from a licensed physician. For interscholastic athletics, clearance must come from the school medical director.
 - * Such authorization must be kept in the pupil's permanent health record.
 - * Schools shall follow directives issued by the pupil's treating physician.

SYMPTOMS

Symptoms of a concussion are the result of a temporary change in the brain's function. In most cases, the symptoms of a concussion generally resolve over a short period of time; however, in some cases, symptoms will last for weeks or longer. Children and adolescents are more susceptible to concussions and take longer than adults to recover.

It is imperative that any student who is suspected of having a concussion is removed from athletic activity (e.g. recess, PE class, sports) and remains out of such activities until evaluated and cleared to return to activity by a physician.

Symptoms include, but are not limited to:

- Decreased or absent memory of events prior to or immediately after the injury, or difficulty retaining new information
- Confusion or appears dazed
- Headache or head pressure
- Loss of consciousness
- Balance difficulties, dizziness, or clumsy movements
- Double or blurry vision
- Sensitivity to light and/or sound
- Nausea, vomiting and/or loss of appetite
- Irritability, sadness or other changes in personality
- Feeling sluggish, foggy or light-headed
- Concentration or focusing problems
- Drowsiness
- Fatigue and/or sleep issues – sleeping more or less than usual

Students who develop any of the following signs, or if signs and symptoms worsen, should be seen and evaluated immediately at the nearest hospital emergency room.

- Headaches that worsen
- Seizures
- Looks drowsy and/or cannot be awakened
- Repeated vomiting
- Slurred speech
- Unable to recognize people or places
- Weakness or numbing in arms or legs, facial drooping
- Unsteady gait
- Change in pupil size in one eye
- Significant irritability
- Any loss of consciousness
- Suspicion for skull fracture: blood draining from ear or clear fluid from the nose

XII.



SPORTSMANSHIP

The Association recognizes and appreciates that the influence and responsibility of the school administration with regard to good sportsmanship extends to all levels of competition. However, it must also be seen that the NYSPHSAA has been vested with the responsibility to ensure that all contests under its jurisdiction are conducted satisfactorily. This standard applies to all regular season and post schedule play.

a. Coach:

1. Any coach excluded by a certified official from an interschool competition for unsportsmanlike conduct, including taunting, is ineligible to coach any interschool competition in that sport until after the next previously scheduled contest at the same level (e.g. junior varsity, varsity, etc.) has been completed. In individual sports a multi-day contest is considered to be a contest. Disqualification from one season carries over to the next season of participation. The coach may not be present at the game site nor communicate in any manner during the contest with any person present at the site.

NOTE: "Not being physically present at the site" means the disqualified coach is not to be present in the locker room, on the sidelines, in the stands or site area before, during or after the game/meet. (see Taunting, p. 90, Next Previously Scheduled Contest, p. 89) Any coach that does not serve the penalty for violating the Sportsmanship Standard will be ineligible to participate in the next two regularly scheduled contests. If the coach continues to not serve the penalty, the matter will be referred to the Section for further action. If the coach is involved in the NYSPHSAA play-offs, the matter will be referred to the Executive Director of the NYSPHSAA.

Any coach:

1. Who receives a disqualification penalty in a sport shall not participate in the next regularly scheduled contest;
2. Who receives a second disqualification penalty in the same sport in the same season shall not participate in the next two regularly scheduled contests; and
3. Who receives a third disqualification penalty in the same sport in the same season will not be allowed to participate for the rest of the season. If the disqualification penalty takes place in the last contest of the season (regular season or post schedule play), the Section Athletic Council will assess the penalty carrying over into the next season of participation.

2. A coach who strikes, shoves, kicks or makes other physical contact with the intent to annoy, harass or intimidate another person (e.g. official, another coach, player, fan) shall be expelled immediately and banned from further participation or coaching in all sports for a period of time to be determined by the section not to exceed one year from the date of the offense.

b. Player:

1. Any member of a squad disqualified by a sport official for unsportsmanlike conduct, including taunting, or for a flagrant foul shall not participate in that sport in the next previously scheduled contest with a member school or in NYSPHSAA tournament play. In individual sports a multi-day contest is considered to be a contest. The contest in which the athlete was disqualified must count in the total maximum number of contests permitted. Disqualifications from one season carry over to the next season of participation. (see Taunting, p. 90, Next Previously Scheduled Contest, p. 89)

Any player:

1. Who receives a disqualification penalty in a sport shall not participate in the next regularly scheduled contest;
2. Who receives a second disqualification penalty in the same sport in the same season shall not participate in the next two regularly scheduled contests; and
3. Who receives a third disqualification penalty in the same sport in the same season will not be allowed to participate for the rest of the season. If the third ejection takes place in the last contest of the season (regular season or post schedule play), the Section Athletic Council will assess the penalty carrying over into the next season of participation.

2. Any member of the squad who strikes, shoves, kicks or makes other physical contact with the intent to annoy, harass or intimidate an official shall be expelled from the game immediately and banned from further participation in all sports for a period of time to be determined by the section not to exceed one year from the date of the offense. **NOTE:** Member of the squad includes player, manager, score keepers, timers, and statisticians.

c. Official:

1. Unprofessional conduct on the part of the official such as, but not limited to, taunting, baiting, use of profanity, shall be reported by a school administrator from the aggrieved school to the section executive director. A request will be made to the appropriate sport officials chapter to investigate the incidence and to report their action to the section in a timely manner.

July 2010

XIII. SECTION XI and NYSPHSAA THUNDER AND LIGHTNING POLICY - approved 3/14/06

A. SECTION XI REGULAR SEASON CONTESTS

1. Whenever weather or other conditions cause the official(s) to interrupt a contest, the official(s) shall make every reasonable effort to resume and complete the contest, with full consideration of the weather and site conditions (as they affect safety and playing conditions). The official(s) shall wait a minimum of 30 minutes from the time of the interruption before considering the cessation of play.
2. When thunder is identified at the site of an outdoor contest, the official(s) will suspend play immediately and wait a minimum of 30 minutes from the time of the interruption before considering the cessation of play. The official(s) will then make a decision whether to cease play for that day or resume the contest.
3. If lightning is observed at the site of an outdoor contest by the official(s) 15 or fewer minutes prior to the scheduled start of that contest, the official(s) and the responsible school authorities shall not permit that contest to be played on that date.
4. If lightning is observed at the site of an outdoor contest by the official(s) during the playing of the contest, the official(s) shall immediately cease play for the day. The rules of the particular sport shall determine whether the contest is "official" or must be resumed at a later date.

B. NYSPHSAAA – During ALL Post Season Contests

1. The following policy will be in effect during Section championships and state qualifiers under the direction of the Executive Director, Sports Chair or designee:
 - a. Thunder and lightning necessitates that contests be suspended. The occurrence of thunder and/or lightning is not subject to interpretation - thunder is thunder, lightning is lightning. ***With your site administrator, set up a plan for shelter prior to the start of any contest.
 - b. When thunder is heard and/or when lightning is seen, the following procedures should be adhered to:
 - a. Suspend play and direct participants to go to shelter, a building normally occupied by the public or if a building is unavailable, participants should go inside a vehicle with a solid metal top (e.g. bus, van, car).
 - b. Do not permit people to stand under or near a tree; and have all stay away from poles, antennas, towers and underground watering systems.
 - c. After thunder and/or lightning have left the area, wait **30 minutes** after the last boom is heard or strike is seen before resuming play or competition. (Revised 10/20/08 NYSPHSAA Executive Committee Meeting)

Section XI Field Hockey Final Games 2016

Class A:

- October 21st
- October 24th
- October 27th
- November 1st – Class A Championships

Class B:

- October 22nd
- October 25th
- October 28th – Class B Championships

Class C:

- October 28th – Class C Championships

Section XI Championships:

Every attempt will be made to have all games start on time.

TO BE DETERMINED - Turf Field (\$6.00 admission)

CLASS B: Thursday, October 28th @ TBA.

CLASS C: Thursday, October 28th @ TBA

CLASS A: Wednesday, November 1st @ TBA

B/C CHAMPIONSHIP: Wednesday, November 1st @ TBA

LONG ISLAND CHAMPIONSHIP 2016

@ ADELPHI UNIVERSITY

DATE: Sunday, November 6th

Class B: Sec XI vs. Sec VIII, 12:00 pm
Class C: Sec XI vs. Sec VIII, 2:00 pm
Class A: Sec XI vs. Sec VIII, 4:00 pm

SECTION XI will wear DARK shirts and shin guards

SECTION 8 will wear WHITE shirts and shin guards

ADMISSION: \$7.00

GATE LIST: A gate list is to be submitted by your Athletic Director. Included on this list should be: school administrators, supervisors, VIPs etc.

Note: There is a limit of 12 individuals on Section XI gate list.

Buses will drop off the team and will be sent to an adjacent parking area.

PHOTOGRAPHERS: Only official newspaper photographers and official school photographers will be allowed on the field and must identify themselves before entering the field. PHOTOGRAPHERS MUST stand 5 yards behind the team areas, 5 yards back from the opposite side line. (as per the rules of the game)

No one is allowed behind the goal cage or end lines (rules of the game)

SCOREBOOK: Each team provides a scorekeeper who will sit at the official table.

SPECTATORS: Spectators must be in the bleachers

TEAM AREAS: TBA

TRAINER: TEAMS do their own taping. A trainer will be on site for injuries.

WATER AND ICE: Teams are to bring their own water, cups and ice to the field for all playoff games, including Finals and Regionals. Teams will be notified if this changes.

FIELD HOCKEY NYSPHSAA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP BASIC GAME INFORMATION 2016

- Banquet: Friday Nov 11, 2016
- Games on Nov 12 & 13, Saturday and Sunday
- Class order for 2016 state tournament is C – A – B
- Semifinals: Saturday Nov 12th B 10:00 am @ Main Endwell HS

C 2:00 pm @ Main Endwell HS

A 10:00 @ Vestal HS

➤ Finals: Sunday November 13th B 10:00 C 12:30 A 3:00

Field Hockey Field Diagram

