

Modified Boys' Lacrosse Report to the NYSPHSAA Modified Committee – Spring 2019

Action Item E. Boys' Lacrosse

Modified boys' lacrosse sport coordinator Gordie Pollard mailed the Modified Committee the following edited Game Conditions and Game Rules for recommendation. Unnecessary older rules, and rules that are already in the NFHS rulebook were cut.

As was decided in modified football, it was also recommended that we edit out and eliminate the *Administration* and *Equipment* portions of the modified boys' lacrosse Game Rules and Game Conditions from the handbook, with the exception of 'Modified lacrosse players are exempt from the uniform outer clothing and helmet color regulations' (Reference: NYSPHSAA handbook, pages 124-125). This portion of the original lacrosse recommendations was edited.

In reviewing the Game Rules, Committee members suggested that in an attempt to encourage the training of several goalkeepers on modified teams, Game Rule #7 should be edited slightly to include "if a second goalkeeper is unavailable." This edit was made.

Motion (Schlegel, Felice):

"The Administration and Equipment portions of the modified boys' lacrosse Game Rules and Game Conditions shall be eliminated, with the exception of 'Modified lacrosse players are exempt from the uniform outer clothing and helmet color regulations.' (Reference: NYSPHSAA handbook, pages 124-125).

Game Rules:

1. *The length of quarters, including a fifth quarter, shall be 10 minutes.*
2. *In the event of a tie, there shall be one 4-minute sudden victory overtime.*
3. *A one-arm swing with a crosse, whether contact is made or not, shall be considered a personal foul--slashing. This includes the over-the-head check.*
4. *There shall be no such thing as a "brush" in the modified program. Contact between the crosse and helmet is a personal foul.*
5. *In a five-period lacrosse game, the "mercy rule" shall be in effect at the end of the third period of play.*
6. *Substitutes are permitted whenever the ball goes out of bounds. Substitution during live play shall be on the fly.*
7. *When a goalie gets a penalty, the in-home player may serve the penalty if a second goalkeeper is unavailable.*
8. *A goal will be disallowed after the horn sounds to indicate the end of the period.*

The motion was **passed** unanimously by the NYSPHSAA Modified Committee 18-0. It was sent to the Executive Committee for action at their May meeting and passed.

This edited copy was submitted for the Executive Committee May 2, 2019 Agenda

NEW YORK STATE PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING – MAY 2, 2019

MODIFIED BOYS LACROSSE

Action Item

Discussion/Information Item

Presenter:

Jim Rose, NYSPHSAA Modified Co-Chairman

Proposal:

The following changes/additions/deletions will be made to the Boys Lacrosse Section of the Modified Handbook:

1. Remove the administration section.
2. All of the bullet points under “Equipment will be removed except the uniform and helmet regulation.
3. Change the length of quarters from 9 minutes to 10 minutes per quarter including overtime.
4. Under Game Conditions eliminate #3, #6, #7 and number #8.
5. Replace #10 with “substitutes are permitted whenever the ball goes out of bounds. Substitution during live play shall be on the fly.”
6. Edit #11, “When a goalie gets a penalty, the in-home player *may* serve the penalty.”
7. Add, “A goal will be disallowed after the horn sounds to indicate the end of the period.”

Effective Start Date:

Spring 2020

Rationale:

Many of these rules are already covered in the NFHS rulebook and will move Boys Modified Lacrosse closer to the High School level.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Modified Committee

Budgetary Impact:

None

Notes:

For the change in period lengths, the Section can be more restrictive, and the recommendations are less than the four-period extended play of 11 minutes per quarter.