

LACROSSE

SECTION A Regular Season Structure and Procedures

1. NJCAA Eligibility rules will govern all college and individual participants, except where superseded by Region XIX rules. In all cases, determination of eligibility will be under the jurisdiction of the Region XIX Assistant Director of Eligibility.
2. NCAA rules will apply, unless superseded by operating code.
3. Scheduling Protocol
 - Each team in Region XIX must play each other once during the regular season.
4. Cancellations/Postponements/Rescheduling
 - All scheduled games within your division must be played. Games outside of your division should, in good faith, be attempted to be rescheduled. If either college closes due to inclement weather, a scheduled game must be postponed. In the event a mutually agreeable make-up date cannot be determined between the participating Athletic Directors, the game must be played on the next available date when both teams are open and the home facility is available. This includes canceling or rescheduling a non-regional contest to allow a regional game to be played. Failure by one team to adhere to this rule will count as a forfeit for seeding purposes. The region team that was willing to play on this date receives a win for seeding purposes. In the event all avenues have been pursued to the satisfaction of the region director, a “no-contest” shall be declared.
 - Bench Personnel
 - Each team shall be allowed the following personnel on their bench:
 - Institution certified coaches
 - Players in uniform
 - Medical personnel / athletic trainer
 - Statistician (1)
 - Injured players
 - Athletic Director or Administrator in charge
 - Please note that individuals sitting out a suspension for any region offense will not be allowed on the bench. Individuals who are academically ineligible will not be allowed on the bench, unless serving as the one (1) designated statistician.
5. Warm-up
 - Each team should supply their own balls for warm-up.
 - Visiting teams arriving within ten minutes of the starting time will be allowed a ten minute warm-up period prior to the start of the game.
6. Official Game Ball
7. Event Management
 - The following items relate to event management for all lacrosse games within Region XIX.
 - It is mandatory in Region XIX that a host institution provide an appropriate site manager (recognized Athletic Administrator) for each contest.
 - It is good practice to have two time keepers and one official scorekeeper.
8. Club Teams
 - Any College fielding a club team must follow all NJCAA, NCAA and Region XIX regulations, including; filing an NJCAA Club Form, pay Region dues, report game results to Service Bureau, adhere to uniform rules, follow ejection policies for

coaches and players as well as reporting these ejections, follow home game supervision requirements and use game officials under contract with Region XIX.

SECTION B Officials

1. Each institution is responsible for hiring its own assignor.
2. Officials for all tournament games shall be assigned by the Tournament Chair through their assignor.
3. Three officials shall be assigned to each tournament game. If less than three officials arrive for the game, the game will be played with the officials who are available.

SECTION C Reporting of Scores / Region XIX Website

1. Team schedules and rosters must be entered, prior to the start of the season, on the Region XIX and NJCAA websites.
2. Teams are responsible for inputting scores on both the Region XIX and NJCAA websites immediately after the completion of their contests.
3. Colleges that fail to update their respective sport rosters, schedules and/or scores will be assessed a \$50 fine by the respective sport committee. If no payment is received by the respective region director five (5) days prior to the seeding meeting the offending college(s) will be reported to the Standards and Ethics committee.

SECTION D Regional Tournament Format

1. The Region XIX Lacrosse Tournament will be held during the last weekend in April. Adjustments will be made to this schedule when District playoffs necessitate.
2. The Region XIX tournament shall be a single elimination tournament.
3. The winner of the tournament has the right to advance to the District playoffs, should they so choose. In the event the winner chooses not to advance, the runner-up will be given the chance to attend in their place.
4. In the event weather causes a delay to a game in progress, the game shall be resumed at the exact point it was delayed.
5. The tournament will follow NCAA rules

SECTION E Regional Tournament Qualification

1. Eligibility for selection requires that each Region team play all other Region teams at least once.

SECTION F Regional Tournament Seeding

1. Head to head play will be the first criteria for seeding
2. In the event of a tie, overall winning percentage will be the determining factor
3. Any team that drops their program after the start of the season will have those game results, including regional games, count on overall records only.

SECTION G Regional Tournament Entry Fees

1. The host school will pay for the officials and any other additional expenses upfront. The overall cost of the tournament will be split among the participating schools. The host school will bill each team.

SECTION H Regional Tournament Logistics

1. The tournament site will rotated throughout the Region teams. If a team chooses not to host, that year may go out to bid among the remaining teams.

2. The host college will provide the official scorer for the tournament
3. The host college will provide dressing room facilities.
4. All travel expenses are the responsibility of the visiting teams.
5. The higher seeded team in each game is considered the home team and shall wear their "light" jerseys.

SECTION I Regional Tournament Awards

1. The Regional Office will have the appropriate tournament awards shipped to the host institution. The host institution will receive an invoice from the Regional Director for the awards.
2. The following awards will be presented:
 - a. A championship trophy/plaque
 - b. A runner-up trophy/plaque
 - c. A tournament MVP trophy/plaque
3. The MVP award shall be chosen by the participating coaches and tournament director

SECTION J Regular Season Awards / All-Region Team

1. The coach of the team winning the Region XIX tournament will be named Region XIX Coach of the Year.
2. An All-Region Team will be selected by balloting of all the Region XIX coaches in their respective divisions
3. The procedure for nominating and voting is as follows:
 - a. Balloting Chairperson will send out the official Region XIX nomination form, which should be signed and returned to the chair by the date indicated on the form. Coaches will nominate players in order of ability as indicated on the form.
 - b. Each coach may nominate a maximum of six (6) players from his/her team
 - c. In order for an individual to qualify for an All-Region team, the team must have completed 80% of the season.
 - d. After all nominations are collected, each coach will receive the official Region XIX ballot and voting form from the balloting chairperson and will be asked to rank players according to their abilities. The best player will receive the number of points equal to the number of players being selected, down to the final selection receiving one (1) point
 - e. Coaches may not vote for their own players.
 - f. After tallying the votes, the numbers of players receiving All-Region status will be determined by the following criteria:
 - i. 4 teams or less = 1 13 player team
 - ii. 5 to 10 teams = 2 13 player teams
 - iii. 11 or more teams = 3 13 player teams
 - g. Numerical ties for a rank placing will be broken by awarding the higher place to the player listed on the ballot by the greatest number of coaches.
 - h. The All-Region team will consist of 13 players and must include a minimum two defenders and one goal keeper.
 - i. There will be named a defensive player of the year, and an overall player of the year, derived from the top vote-getters in the respective positions.
4. Nominations for NJCAA All-American will be derived from the All-Region Team results.

SECTION K Code of Conduct

1. All members of teams including players, coaches, trainers, scorekeepers, and spectators will follow the Code of Conduct enforced by the National Junior College Athletic Association throughout all contests.

SECTION L NJCAA / Region XIX Ejection Policy

1. If a coach is ejected from a Region XIX contest and there is no college approved representative designated by the Athletic Director present, then the game is terminated and forfeited at that point. Also the coach must sit the next scheduled contest. If the ejection occurs in the last game of the season the ejection will carry into the following year.
2. An athlete ejected from any Region XIX contest for any reason must sit the next game. If the ejection occurs in the last game of the season and/or playoff game the suspension will carry into the following season of eligibility used in this sport.
3. Any player ejected for fighting or violent act, will sit the next two (2) contests. If the ejection occurs in the last game of the season and/or playoff game the suspension will carry into the following season of eligibility used in this sport. A second ejection for fighting in a season will result in that player suspended from competition in that sport for the remainder of the season. Reminder: NJCAA and NCAA rules may allow for more severe penalties. Region XIX will impose the most severe penalty allowable.
4. In the event of any ejection, an ejection report must be filed with the Region Director. The AD's of both colleges should file the appropriate NJCAA ejection form to the Region Director.

SECTION M Health and Safety

1. In regard to an open wound, under circumstances when constant or profuse bleeding occurs, the participant shall be immediately removed from that contest by the coach or official and cannot return until the bleeding has stopped.
2. The use of all tobacco products by any coach, player, official, or other individual involved in the conducting of any NJCAA sanctioned or sponsored regular season or post season play is prohibited within the confines of the playing area. Any individual not in compliance shall be disqualified from further participation in that contest.

SECTION N Region XIX Divisional Breakdown

Men's Lacrosse (4)

Brookdale

Morris

Del Tech

Williamson

Ocean (2012-13)

Union (2012-13)

Women's Lacrosse (1)

Brookdale

Ocean (2012-13)

Union (2012-13)