



Season and Registration FAQs

How much is registration and what does it include?

See cost breakout and all fees on the Shakopee Lacrosse website on both the home page and registration page.

[Registration Link](#)

When does registration close?

Registration will close on March 2nd for 8 and above. Registration requests after March 2nd cannot be guaranteed due to uniforms ordering. U6 registration will close on March 31st.

How many practices a week will each level have? And what days will the practices be on?

Below are the # of practices we would expect at each level, but cannot be guaranteed until we receive confirmation from the city in late March which days/times and fields we will have access to.

Level of play	# Practices	Duration
In-house 6U/8U	1	1 hour
8U Boys	2	1 hour
10U Boys	2	1 hour
12U Boys	3	1.5 hours
14U Boys	3	1.5 hours
8U Girls	2	1 hour
10U Girls	2	1 hour
12U Girls	3	1.5 hours
14U Girls	3	1.5 hours

Days each level will practice will be shared at the parent meeting in April. Please note for 10 and older, games will begin in June and those are not set each week so some weeks you will have more games and less practice, if games fall on practice days.

How long is the season?

Below is an approximate time frame for each level of play as we receive information from each league we will update – but could be a week longer or shorter. All information will be finalized and communicated at the parent meeting in April.

Level of play	Season Length
In-house 6U/8U	Mid-May – end of June
8U Girls	Mid-May – July 20 th
8U Boys	Mid-May – July 20 th
10U Girls	End-April – Aug 4 th
10U Boys	Early May – July 20 th
12U Girls	Early April – Aug 4 th
12U Boys	Early April – July 30 th
14U Girls	Early April – Aug 4 th
14U Boys	Early April – July 30 th

What are the age guidelines for each level?

Effective 9/1/17 through 8/31/18	
Level	Birth Date range (Girls and Boys)
6U	9/1/2011 - 8/31/2013
8U	9/1/2009 - 8/31/2011
10U	9/1/2007 - 8/31/2009
12U	9/1/2005 - 8/31/2007
14U	6/1/2003 - 8/31/2005

Please note both girls and boys use same levels and birth date ranges. Current 9th graders are not allowed to play on a 14U team per league rules.

Will there be a U6 program again this year?

Yes, registration is currently open. The focus for this age level is fundamentals and skill building and it is important that at the younger levels we make sure these expectations are understood. Here is the link for this registration: [Registration link](#)

Can I get a waiver for my son/daughter to play down with their peers?

You can request a waiver for your son or daughter to play down with their peers, if his/her birthdate is within 6 months of the cut-off. Please contact Ryan Thorman, ryanleethorman@hotmail.com to officially request a waiver. All requests must be received by March 11th to be considered and you will be notified on March 13th of approval or denial. You should register your player at the correct age level and we will make the adjustment once the decision to grant the waiver is approved. There will be no refunds if a waiver is not granted and your player decides not to play for SYLA.

Can I get a waiver for my son/daughter to play up an age level?

All players, boys and girls, who request to play up will be required to make the A team, if applicable at that age level or are playing up to play with their peers. Please contact Ryan Thorman, ryanleethorman@hotmail.com to officially request a waiver. You should register your player at the correct age level and we will make the adjustment once the decision to grant the waiver is approved. There will be no refunds if a waiver is not granted and your player decides not to play for SYLA.

Are there going to be paid coaches at all divisions and levels?

We are working on having paid coaches for all levels for 10U and above with 1-2 high school student coaches.

My player's US Lacrosse member number is not found when trying to register, what can I do?

Please ensure the information entered when signing up for your lacrosse membership is exactly the same as what is entered into the form for Shakopee Lacrosse registration. Here are some things to look for; middle initial missing, incorrect address (i.e. Road vs Rd), exactly last name spelling, incorrect birthdate. If you have verified that all are equal, we can reach out to US Lacrosse. Please email Amy Block, blocks23@gmail.com if you have other issues.

Why do I have to pay for a US Lacrosse membership?

US Lacrosse memberships are required so that if a player is injured on the field during an event they are covered by the US Lacrosse insurance through RPS Bollinger.

How do I get a scholarship to have my registration fees paid for?

Criteria – qualifies for free or reduced lunch program through the school

Process

1. Applicant talks to Barb Potthier bpotthier@shakopecmn.gov or 952-233-9505 at Park and Rec, Shakopee Community Center.
2. Barb confirms that the applicant does qualify.
3. If the applicant qualifies, Barb lets association know by giving forwarding the person's name and email address.
4. Association contacts the applicant to let them know what type of assistance they are getting. The type and amount are up to each association and emails Discount Code to applicant
5. Applicant registers on-line and enters discount code at checkout. The discount will be 50% of registration fees. Uniform and Fundraising fees are not covered.

What is required to purchase for uniforms this year?

Fees for Girls and Boys U8 to U14 DO NOT include uniform cost for the player. Uniforms will be purchased at registration at a cost of \$40 per item. For 6U/8U in-house, jerseys will be included with their fees.

Will I have to purchase a new uniform every year?

The travel uniform style will remain consistent through 2019. You will have the opportunity to purchase a new uniform each year, if your player outgrows their previous one or just wants a new one. Required uniform will be jersey and shorts. Uniform numbers will remain with the player during their entire time playing in SYLA. Jersey numbers will be randomly assigned by the association; please do not send in player number requests.

How much is the uniform going to cost?

See answer in previous question above

What does the uniform look like?

Please visit the uniform page to view new uniform style at [Uniforms](#)

When do I need to order my uniform?

You will pay for your uniform during registration. You must attend a try-on date (dates on website) to get the right sizing and the association will order the correct size for you. Lead time on uniforms is 6 – 8 weeks.

When and where are tournaments scheduled for travel teams?

All boys teams 10U and up will play in the Shakopee Annual River Valley Rumble tournament held on June 8-10, 2018. Each of these teams will then participate in one additional weekend tournament in the Twin Cities, which will be shared at the parent meeting in April. There are also state tournaments and end of the year jamborees that the players will participate in, please review the calendar on the Shakopee Lacrosse website. For girls' teams, 10U and above, they will participate in 2 weekend tournaments in the Twin Cities and state tournaments.

8U teams will play season games and end of year jamboree. If an 8U team decides to attend a tournament that will be an extra fee. The registration fee does not include tournament fees.

Will volunteer hours be required this year?

All SYLA families will be required to provide a refundable \$250 volunteer deposit check at the parent meeting in April. Parents/guardians are required to work 6 hours per family. Hours and activities will be available via DIBS throughout the season. If you are currently working on a committee, those DIBS hours will be loaded soon for you to claim.

Upon verification of the required volunteer hours being completed, deposit checks are destroyed. If all volunteer hours are not completed, SYLA will cash your deposit checks in lieu of hours not worked.

Note: Head coaches and assistant coaches are not required to complete volunteer hours.

What types of jobs will be available for DIBS?

Home tournament will be our priority for volunteer hours. More information on DIBS will be communicated at the parent meeting.

What equipment is needed for my first time lacrosse player? Boy vs girl? U6? U8? U10? Etc.

Girls and Boys playing in-house they will need a stick only.

BOYS LACROSSE EQUIPMENT – Boys Travel teams

Required equipment includes:

- Legal lacrosse stick
- Lacrosse Helmet
- Lacrosse shoulder pads (no hockey or football pads)
- Lacrosse Elbow Pads (no hockey pads)
- Lacrosse Gloves (no hockey gloves)
- Protective cup and supporter (same as hockey or football)
- Colored mouth guard (same as hockey and football)
- Field cleats (lacrosse or football, NO baseball cleats)

GIRLS LACROSSE EQUIPMENT – Girls Travel teams

Required Equipment includes:

- Legal girls lacrosse sticks and heads
- Girls Lacrosse Eye mask\Eye Goggles
- Colored Mouth guard (same as hockey and other sports)
- Field cleats (lacrosse or soccer, NO softball spikes)

Can I rent equipment?

We do not currently have a rental program for Shakopee Lacrosse, but we are working on creating an overall equipment program within the next couple years with grants and fundraising money.

At what age can my child use a longer D pole?

You can use a defensive pole at 12U and above

My child likes to play goalie, does the association provide equipment?

Yes

What is the process for evaluating players and team placement (A vs B)?

Please see the evaluation page for detailed information.

What will be the fundraiser this year?

We will be selling Butter Braids for our fundraiser this year. More information will be coming in the next few weeks.

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