

# Valley Lacrosse Tournament

## 2023 GIRLS RULES

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### **Grades 3 & 4:** Level C rules

**PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT** - Mouthguards and approved goggles are mandatory at all levels. Goalie must wear helmet, throat protector, chest protector, gloves, shoulder pads and arm pads. Some type of leg padding for the goalie is strongly recommended. All protective devices used should be close fitting, padded where necessary, and not be of excessive weight.

**START/STOP PLAY** - All play is started and stopped with the whistle. All players must stop and stand when the whistle blows (to stop play). All may move again when the next whistle blows.

**FOUR GOAL RULE** - if one team has a four or more goal lead then there may not be a draw with the approval of both Coaches.

**SUBSTITUTION** - Substitution is every 3 minutes. One timeout per game.

**DURATION OF PLAY** - **15 minutes running time per half.** Last shift of the game is stop time unless the goal diff is 5 or greater.

No shooting on free positions (Level C). No checking (Level C). No holding the ball for more than 5 seconds when closely guarded/marked

**LEVEL C SPECIFICS** - Seven field players, use of a goal keeper is optional. Field size: 60 yds. x 25 yds. is recommended. 8m arc, no 12m fan, no restraining line, center line (no circle). Youth sticks (mesh allowed) or regular women's crosse, modified pocket. 5' x 5' goals Eye guards/goggles required. No checking. May not shoot from any free position.

Teams must attempt 1 pass before shooting on goal unless both coaches agree to waive the rule.

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**Grades 5 & 6:** Level B rules, no overtime, 4 goal rule, 16 minute Halves - running time, 1 timeout per game, last two minutes of game stop time unless goal diff is 5 or greater. Goal distance crease to crease - 80 yards. Req'd equipment - mouthguard, goggles. Goalies required equipment - mouthguard, helmet, shoulder pads, leg guards, arm pads, gloves, throat guard and chest protector. 11 on 11 plus goalies.

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**Grades 7 & 8:** Scholastic Modified Rules, no overtime, 4 goal rule, RR & Championship 2 20 minute running time halves.,1 timeout per game, last two minutes stop time unless goal diff is 5 or greater. Semi is one 27' minute running time game. Goal distance crease to crease - 80 yards. Req'd equipment – mouth guard, goggles. Goalies required equipment - mouthguard, helmet, shoulder pads, leg guards, arm pads, gloves, throat guard and chest protector. 11 on 11 plus goalies.

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**4 Goal Rule** - If a Team is losing by four, or more, goals then the Faceoff will be suspended and the ball awarded

**Point System** – 3 Points per win, 1 point per tie, 0 points per loss  
No overtime except in playoffs and championship  
Tie breaker to determine playoffs

- A. Head to Head
- B. Most wins
- C. Goal +/- (Max 5/game for)
- D. Goals for divided by goals against
- E. Fewest Goals allowed
- F. Most Goals scored (Max 5/game)
- G. Most shutouts
- H. Coin Flip

If three or more teams are tied the tiebreakers are applied first to games between the tied teams then to all games if no winner is determined.

### **Playoffs/Championship**

Last two minutes of the game are stop time

Overtime: 5 minute running time – sudden victory. 1 timeout per OT period

**ALL SPECTATORS ARE REQUIRED TO WATCH FROM THE SIDE OF THE FIELD OPPOSITE THE TEAM BENCHES.**

**ALL TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR DECISIONS ARE FINAL.**