



Game Day Expectations and Procedures

Game Day SET-UP (Host Association)

1. All Host Association Board Members must be at the field ninety minutes prior to the first game to ensure that the gates are unlocked, and begin field set-up. Field set-up should be completed no later than 30 minutes prior to the start of the first game.

Stadium/Field Expectations:

2. Appropriate field markings (both main and practice fields) and equipment necessary to facilitate games. This should include cones/pylons where required. The Host Association is responsible for providing all equipment.
3. Tables should be set up with clock, scoreboards, and horns (1 for full field at the 50 yard line) (2 tables set up in the middle section between the two crossfields)
4. Spectators for full-field games will sit in the stands. Only board members and coaches of active games will be permitted inside the gate. Spectators for crossfield games will sit opposite the team benches—at least 6 feet from the sidelines and not behind goals.
5. The Host Association will be responsible for placing game balls on the end line. Extra game balls should be available at the score/clock tables.
6. The Host Association is responsible for moving goals as needed between games.
7. The Host Association provides comparable facilities for participants of home and visiting teams. (Including shade)
8. It is suggested but not mandatory that the Host Association provide a uniformed police officer for each field and all games.
9. The Host association will provide a tent and chair for officials & trainers.

10. The Host Association will provide a cooler of ice close to the field for injuries and make ice available to the Visiting Association.

Game Day CLEAN-UP/TEAR DOWN (Host Association)

-The Hosting Association must coordinate with the host site as to the requirements for field clean-up. Failure to do so puts us at risk for being able to use that site in the future.

Sideline/Spectator Expectations (EGYL Board Members and Association Board Members)

- Pets are not allowed at EGYL events unless they are documented service animals.
- There will be 1-2 EGYL Board Members or a person designated by EGYL at each score table to keep score, time, penalties, and document sideline issues and at least one EGYL Board member will be on the spectator side.
 - For form: [click here](#)
- The EGYL Compliance Officer will collect the Score/Penalty sheet from each table at the end of the day. The League Compliance Officer will be responsible for tracking scores, determining seeding, and posting scores prior to the next game.
- Associations should have one representative near the spectators and be attentive of parent and guest activities.
- Associations should have one representative near the team benches and be attentive of players' and coaches' activities.
- The only people allowed on the sidelines other than players are rostered coaches for the team playing, team parents, or board members.
- All people present are to:
 - Encourage positive communication between volunteers, players, spectators and the officials.
 - Discourage words such as: "Hit em! Kill em!"
 - Politely encourage the support of skills and sportsmanship.
- Board members are expected to be professional in overseeing games and not "add fuel to the fire." Board Members are to observe any action such as coach behavior, player behavior or spectator behavior. Concerns warranting action should first be handled by the Host Association's Board Members. If further action is required, EGYL board members will have final discretion.
- In the event, a board member is a coach or team parent, they may not act as a board member during their game.
- The Host Association must ensure that a volunteer is at each game who will attend to medical concerns and injuries. A badge will be at the score table for these volunteers. Badges must be returned to the table after the game(s).
- Photographers must be on the spectator side of the field unless approval has been given. Photographers are to have no interaction with teams.

Game Procedures:

- a. Only the first game of the day will need to have the National Anthem played. The EGPW/GHSA Statement will be read before each game. **(This should be read on a loudspeaker.)**

“To all Spectators:

Thanks for coming to today's lacrosse game. We are glad to see you supporting the teams. We think the sport of lacrosse can help teach good sportsmanship to all participants and that sportsmanship is an important component of the game. Accordingly we expect good sportsmanship from all participants including the spectators.

Unsportsmanlike conduct such as vocally or visibly criticizing opposing players, officials, coaches or other spectators, encouraging injury to participants, profanity, racial or sexually based comments or other provocative comments are inappropriate, unacceptable and will be grounds for removal from the competition site.

We would like you to support the participants , coaches and officials in a positive manner. Cheer for the participants not against anyone.

Please help us make the game enjoyable for all. Thank you for your cooperation and assistance.”

- b. Games will start with both starting teams standing at midfield with their coaches with the remainder of the team standing behind them.
- c. Goalies at opposite ends facing each other.
- d. Referees will give their instructions then both teams will shake hands after goalies shake hands. Glove off the right-hand Coaches will shake hands as well.
- e. EGYL Association “Rep” will oversee handshakes and commentary at the end of the game. Have them stand near the handshake area.

