

# THE WOODLANDS GIRLS LACROSSE ASSOCIATION

## Policy Statement Regarding Alcohol and Tobacco Products

(Effective October 15, 2012)

### Preamble

As participation in the programs offered by The Woodlands Girls Lacrosse Association (the "*Association*") continues to grow, the Board of Directors recognizes that in order to provide a high quality lacrosse experience for its constituents (*i.e.*, the players, their parents, the coaches and the other volunteers and supporters) and to provide continuity and consistency among its Divisions, it is advisable to adopt the following policies to guide these constituent groups in their expectations and practices. Accordingly, set forth below are policies and practices of the Association that shall be followed by the Association's teams and coaches.

### Policies and Practices

**1. Nomenclature.** Unless otherwise expressly defined, all capitalized words and phrases appearing herein shall have the meanings given them in the First Amended and Restated Bylaws of The Woodlands Girls Lacrosse Association (the "*Bylaws*").

**2. Philosophy.** Adult representatives of the Association (*e.g.*, coaches, board members, volunteers, etc.) must always be aware of the tremendous influence they have on the players and they must continually strive to be positive role models. Additionally, the consumption of alcohol constitutes an unwarranted safety and liability risk in the event of, among other things, an emergency involving a player.

**3. Prohibition.** At any Association event where players are present, all coaches, all members of the Board of Directors (which includes all members of the Steering Committees) and all player chaperones (collectively, "*Association Representatives*") shall refrain from the consumption of alcohol and the use of tobacco products. An Association "event" should be construed broadly to include any event or gathering sponsored or sanctioned by the Association, or in which the Association or any of its teams participate. Additionally, "presence" and similar terms should be broadly construed to take into account both physical proximity and line of sight. If the event is out of town: (i) for so long as the Association Representative is in the presence of one or more players, the prohibitions as to alcohol and tobacco products shall remain in effect; and (ii) for so long as the Association Representative is responsible for the travel or safety of one or more players, the prohibition as to alcohol shall remain in effect.