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From: CONNY Boys Rules Committee
To: CONNY Boys Officials & Coaches

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The following clarification addresses reported confusion at early games over CONNY regular season sudden victory overtime rules. If you have any questions, contact Jack Couch, Rules Committee Chairman, at laxdad2118@gmail.com.

NFHS Rule 3-4 Sudden Victory Overtime

*For CONNY regular season play only, the US Lacrosse Boys Youth Rules are implemented as written, (i.e., U-15 Senior, per NFHS 3-4 AR. 2 until winner; U-13 Junior, maximum two 4-minute sudden victory periods until winner--tie after that; U-11 Lightning, NO overtime. US Lacrosse Boys Youth Rules are modified for CONNY **Tournaments games**; i.e., *NFHS Rule 3-4 Sudden Victory Overtime will apply in U15, U13, and U11 CONNY Tournaments games.**

PREVIOUS BULLETINS

The following items clarify two areas of potential confusion for officials or coaches and offer situational guidance for penalties by goalies. They serve as CONNY Play Rulings, but are not, in and of themselves, rules.

NFHS Rules 3-3 FINAL TWO MINUTES OF REGULATION PLAY 4-31 GET IT IN/KEEP IT IN 6-10 STALLING

Not enforced in U9 or U11.

Enforced in U13 and U15 last two minutes and, if the CONNY STALLING RULE has been invoked without effect, as an official's "second arrow in the quiver."

NFHS Rules 5-4 CHECKS INVOLVING HEAD/NECK 5-7 SLASHING

Slashes to the head/neck are not automatically non-releasable for 2015. NFHS 5-4 ARTICLE 2 states that a slash to the head/neck must be excessive, violent, or uncontrolled to be considered a violation of NFHS Rule 5-4, and hence a multi-minute non-releasable foul. US Lacrosse Boys Youth Rules no longer modify NFHS Rule 5-4. Thus, there can be contact to the head with a

crosse that is neither excessive nor violent and may draw only a releasable one-minute Slashing penalty under NFHS Rule 5-7.

Nevertheless, CONNY encourages officials to treat anything beyond a light brush to the head as a “blow” and “excessive, violent, and uncontrolled,” and thus a violation of NFHS Rule 5-4. It is imperative that youth players learn to keep their sticks away from opponents’ heads.

NFHS Rule 7-1.e TIME SERVING PENALTIES ON GOALKEEPER

The in-home may serve a goalkeeper’s penalties, except for Unsportsmanlike Conduct or a penalty or combination of sequentially served penalties totaling two or more minutes of penalty time. If a dressed goalkeeper is not available, reasonable time to dress one shall be afforded, in addition to the one-minute delay for his warm-up allowed by NFHS Rule 7-1.e.