

By-laws of the East Carolina Youth Lacrosse League

* Age-waivers will not be allowed.

* Playing up – only if the team needs to make a full team plus 3 subs. Full team means Girls 12+3 and Boys 10+3, or they need a goalie. The opposing coach needs to be aware **before** the game starts and penciled in on the rosters. A player will NEVER play down.

* Players on both a high school team and a rec team – If a player is age eligible to play within the US Lacrosse age brackets, but they play on a high school team, they will not be allowed to play on the ECYLL rec team in the same season. A 15U age eligible player may play on ECYLL 15U team provided they are not on a high school roster. For example: a high school player, who is age eligible to play on a 15U rec team, will not be able to do so.

* Rosters

1. Team rosters will consist of: player full name, jersey #, DOB, & US Lax # and expiration date.
2. A copy of each team roster will be available on game day and a copy shall be provided to the opposing team coach.
 - a. If a team does not produce a roster that includes all required information at each game, that team must forfeit the game. The game may still be played if both coaches agree, but the offending team will have a loss on the official record for that day. You can still play the game, but in the system for ranking it will be recorded as a forfeit.
3. A player will only play on 1 team within the ECYLL organization. Once a player is listed on a team they **cannot** switch teams: unless there are extenuating circumstances that are explained to the ECYLL Board. Team rosters will be updated and resubmitted to the ECYLL Board for distribution.
4. If there is an age appropriate and/or gender appropriate team, the player needs to be on that team.
5. Rosters will be turned into the ECYLL Board no later than the week prior to the first scheduled game of the season to be distributed to all organizations.
6. Coach roster – one roster per association with all coach's information listed (i.e. phone number, email). This will be used by opposing teams to contact the coach on game day, if needed.

*ECYLL will adhere to the age brackets suggested by US Lacrosse, with the modification of grouping players by 2 to 4 years in an age bracket due to availability of players and coaching staff. (Example: Boys U15 will be 13U/14U players and Girls U15 will be 11U/12U/13U/14U players)

* ALL head coaches are required to have level 1 online certification, including a valid background check. It is recommended that all coaches are level 1 certificate. All coaches that are on the field must be a current US Lacrosse member and have a current background check.

Disciplinary Code

1) Any player or coach receiving two (2) penalties in a season for unsportsmanlike behavior, game misconduct or player bench penalties is subject to disciplinary action by the ECYLL Board. This may include further review and action as well as penalties up to and including expulsion from ECYLL.

2) A player is Disqualified from play for accumulating three personal fouls or 5 minutes in personal foul penalty time. P. 76, US Lacrosse 2017 Youth Rule Book

Ejection- a. deliberately striking or attempting to strike anyone or leaving the bench area during an altercation, b. second non-releasable, unsportsmanlike foul, c. any action deemed by the officials to be flagrant misconduct (could be a “hard” physical body check, slash, etc.) If a player/coach is ejected from a game they will not play/coach in their next scheduled game.”

3) Coaches must keep track of any unsportsmanlike behavior, game misconduct or bench penalties issued to players or coaches and report to the ECYLL Board immediately after each game.

4) Habitual use of abusive language and/or behavior by an ECYLL player, coach, member, or parent shall subject that player, coach, member or parent to dismissal from the league.

4a) Home team needs to provide a field marshal to help maintain control of the spectators.

5) Notice of any disciplinary action taken by the ECYLL Board against an individual shall be provided to the individual via certified mail.

6) Coaches, players and their parent/guardian have the right of appeal of the disciplinary code.

6a) Appeals must be submitted to the Board in writing specifying all pertinent information within five (5) days of notice of approved action.

6b) In the event of a player appeal by parent(s)/guardian, a written statement from the player’s coach is also required by the ECYLL Board.