



Northern California Junior Lacrosse Association

Boys Pre-Game and Game Day Protocol 2019

Have this card available for review at every NCJLA game.

It is league policy for teams to contact each other and the game officials to verify dates, times and locations.
Communication by phone or e-mail should be confirmed and messages should not be assumed received.

Pre-Game Confirmation of the “HOST” Team Coach or Team Manager:

1. Two days before each game, the “host” coach or team manager is responsible to contact the visiting head coach(es) and team manager(s) to confirm game date, time, location, directions and predicted weather. All team contacts can be found at ncjla.org under Team Contacts. Any changes to the game schedule must be done via the *NCJLA Game Change Form* located under the “Club Administrators” tab on the ncjla.org home page.
2. Two days before each game, a single administrator from the home venue should establish direct contact with game officials to confirm teams, date, time, location and directions. *If an official is not responding please inform the assignor.* Look for assignments and contact information on Arbiter Sports. For conflicts or unassigned games please contact the assignor, Alex Snaider at snaidman@yahoo.com or 702-338-2171.
3. **RAINOUT PROTOCOL-** If your game change or cancellation is due to a rainout or an unforeseen and imminent change of location please contact the officials assigned to the game, the assignor (Alex Snaider) AND the visiting team **2 hours before travel time** to alert them of the change or cancellation immediately and then complete the NCJLA Game Change Form.

Game Day Responsibility of the “HOME” Team:

- 1) Provide the following:
 - a) Score sheets (Not required for 8U)
 - b) Numbered pinnies or change of jersey if both teams have same jersey color.
 - c) Place 4 balls on each end line, 4 on the far sideline (for 10U and higher) and place 4 new game balls at the scorer’s table. Officials will cancel a game in progress if balls are not NOCSAE certified and will result in a forfeit awarded to the “Away” team. For 8U only, a soft pink, yellow or orange ball may be used. NCJLA recommends the balls used in USL Level 1 Coach Clinics. Swax Lax balls do not meet this criteria
- 2) Responsible to post scores on NCJLA website, www.ncjla.org within 24 hours.
- 3) Provide a **COMPLETED** and legible score sheet with both team’s: player names, position, jersey numbers, scores, assists, and penalties; coaches, table personnel, and sideline managers’ names; and officials’ signatures. The yellow copy goes to the visiting team’s coach after the game. NCJLA recommends that coaches take a photo of the final score sheet.

Game Day Responsibility of HOST CLUB

1. Assure that the field is lined and the appropriate sized goal and number of cones are used in accordance with the rulebook that corresponds to the level of play for 2019. (8U-14UB USL; 14UA-HS NFHS)
2. Provide the following at the Scorers’ table:
 - a. A scorer’s table with 3-4 chairs. (1 Timekeeper and a scorekeeper from each club).
 - b. Game clock, 2 separate time-out/penalty clocks, and horn (unless prohibited by city ordinance).
 - c. A copy (electronic allowed) of the 2019 NFHS or, 2019 US Lacrosse Youth Rule Books, and NCJLA rules adoptions.
 - d. Provide a flip scorer (8U Not required).
 - e. Directions to the nearest hospital, local police phone #, and restrooms.

Game Day Responsibility of EACH Playing Team:

- 1) Provide a Scorekeeper and a Timekeeper who are responsible for: (Scorekeeper not required for 8U.)
 - a) Keeping players behind lines, the substitution area clear and tracking alternate possession.
 - b) Assist with filling out the score sheet completely and legibly with scores, assists, and penalties, and required signatures from umpires. Yellow copy goes to the visiting coach after the game. *NCJLA recommends taking a picture of the final score sheet:*
 - c) Scorekeepers may watch the NCJLA Scorer video on YouTube for details about the position. NCJLA Youth Lacrosse channel. (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tQ5hmFqorRo&t=10s>)
- 2) Provide Scorekeepers **with legible team rosters** that includes for each player their full name, position and jersey number. **The NCJLA may request at anytime a copy of the score sheet to verify penalties and goals scored.**
- 3) Have a mandatory Sideline Manager for each game to encourage, and report sportsmanlike behavior. In addition, managers will ensure spectators and photographers are only on the opposite side of field from the team bench area.
- 4) **All teams must arrive in time to warm up, with an NCJLA Certified Coach, sideline manager and be ready to play with the minimum required players at the scheduled time or they will be penalized with a forfeit. They may play a scrimmage during the remaining scheduled time at the discretion of the officials.**