

GOVERNING POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR THE UTAH HIGH SCHOOL LACROSSE LEAGUE

1.0 Organization

1.1 This is the official handbook of the Utah High School Lacrosse League (UHSLL).

2.0 Goals and Guiding Principles of the UHSLL

2.1 **Goals**

- 2.1.1 Develop youth to be role models and leaders in our communities.
 - 2.1.1.1 Teach Life Lessons
 - 2.1.1.2 Teach Honor and Integrity
 - 2.1.1.3 Develop Athletic Achievement
 - 2.1.1.4 Develop Community Involvement
- 2.1.2 Develop Coaches as Educators of future leaders.
- 2.1.3 Develop a transforming culture in local youth sports through honoring the game by players, coaches, officials, parents, spectators and the general community.
- 2.1.4 Develop and advance the sport of lacrosse as a vehicle for positive community development.
 - 2.1.4.1 Continually advance the overall level of play
 - 2.1.4.2 Provide a competitive environment to maintain player and program motivation.
 - 2.1.4.3 Provide a positive, fun and physically and emotionally safe environment for players.

2.2 **UHSLL Guiding Principles**

- 2.2.1 In concert with the UHSLL Code of Conduct, these principles form a model against which all actions, behavior and decisions shall be judged. These principles describe the expectations for all members of the UHSLL community (Players, Coaches, Team Management, UHSLL Management, Officials, Parents and Spectators.)
- 2.2.2 We exist to develop youth as role models and leaders in our communities.
- 2.2.3 We “Honor the Game” by:
 - 2.2.3.1 Honoring the letter and the intent of all “Rules”, policies and guidelines. We never teach or encourage our players to bend or beat the rules or take unfair advantage of an opponent.
 - 2.2.3.2 Honoring our “Opponents” on the field and working cooperatively with other organizations in our communities.
 - 2.2.3.3 Honoring “Officials” on the field and leaders/managers in our organizations and communities who are appointed with authority for our activities.
 - 2.2.3.4 Honoring our “Teammates” and associates by supporting team and organizational goals in a positive, proactive and cooperative manner.
 - 2.2.3.5 Honoring “Self” by maintaining high standards of personal integrity, conduct and interpersonal interaction.
- 2.2.4 We follow a model that focuses on developing individual and team excellence, which ultimately leads to winning teams, but subordinate this goal to teaching life lessons and honoring the game to develop our youth for their future role in our communities.
- 2.2.5 We provide opportunities for youth to participate in Lacrosse at two levels:

- 2.2.5.1 “Meritocratic” where a place on the team and playing time are determined by ability, performance and effort.
- 2.2.5.2 “Developmental/Recreational” where players are guaranteed playing time if they adhere to basic behavioral standards.
- 2.2.6 We follow the PCA (Positive Coaching Alliance) “Positive Coach Mental Model” as an expectation for all coaches.
- 2.2.7 We actively expect and engage parents and spectators in our Guiding Principles and behavioral expectations.
- 2.2.8 We actively engage our officials in our Guiding Principles and the development of our youth.
- 2.2.9 We hold adult leaders, coaches and officials to a very high standard of Honor, Personal Integrity/Ethics and Behavior on and off the field and in our communities. They are expected to be outstanding role models.
- 2.2.10 We value scholastic achievement, sportsmanship and individual life skill development for our youth above winning lacrosse games.
- 2.2.11 The physical and emotional safety of our players and members is important above all other considerations. Dangerous or demeaning behavior is unacceptable.
- 2.2.12 We win with class and character and we lose with honor and dignity. Through this higher standard we become winners regardless of the score of a particular contest.

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League Governance

3.1 League Councils

- 3.1.1 **Name:** The UHSLC shall be governed by a General Council and an Executive Council (collectively “the Councils”). .
- 3.1.2 **Qualification:** Members that make up the Councils shall be at least 21 years of age and shall agree to demonstrate behavior as good role models in accordance with the adopted Goals and Guiding Principles of the UHSLC, and further agree to be active participants in the role as representatives of their constituency of the UHSLC.
- 3.1.3 **Appointment, Vacancies and Removal:**
 - 3.1.3.1 General Council:
 - a. The General Council shall consist of representatives appointed to the General Council by the representative’s respective high school program board, or if there is no organized board, then by the most current coaching staff. They shall be called “General Council Members”. Only Active High School Programs (“Program”), as defined below, shall be permitted to appoint one General Council Member from its Program. Each Program shall have up to one representative that may serve on the General Council.
 - b. It shall be the decision of each Program to determine the term of their respective designated General Council Member’s service on the General Council. Each Program shall also determine any other criteria that shall be used for filling vacancies, and grounds for removal.
 - c. Once designated, each General Council Member shall provide his/her contact information to the UHSLC, and update when necessary.
 - 3.1.3.2 Executive Council:
 - a. Membership of the Executive Council shall be determined by the General Council Members as follows:

- b. The General Council shall be divided into four geographic regions ("Regions"), (generally N, S. E. W.), of which there shall be no less than eight (8) Programs and no more than twelve (12) Programs. Each Region shall appoint two representatives to serve on the Executive Council. Executive Council members for each Region shall be determined by a majority vote of those General Council Members from that Region present at the annual meeting of the UHSL where Executive Council Members are appointed.
- c. Executive Council Members shall serve for a maximum period of one year, unless reappointed by their Region to serve for additional terms.
- d. Vacancies - Mid-term vacancies on the Executive Council shall be filled for the balance of the one-year term by a majority vote of General Council Members of the Region from which the vacating Executive Council Member served.
- e. Removal: An Executive Council Member may be removed by an affirmative vote of 75% of the General Council membership. .
- f. Each year following the Annual Meeting, the Executive Council shall appoint, by majority vote, a Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary and Treasurer for the Executive Council. The Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary and Treasurer shall serve for a period of one year, unless removed by the majority vote of the Executive Council, in which case the Executive Council shall appoint by a majority vote a new Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary or Treasurer, as the case may be, to serve for the remainder of the annual term.

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3.1.3.3 Region Realignment: Except in the case of realignment (a) necessitated by the addition or reduction of Programs within a Region after the Annual Meeting of the General Council that (b) involves the realignment of two or fewer teams, every two years, at the Annual Meeting of the General Council or a special meeting of the General Council called by the Executive Council (discussed below), the General Council shall determine by majority vote whether to effect any realignment of the Regions.

3.1.4 **Meetings:**

3.1.4.1 General Council:

- a. The General Council shall hold its Annual Meeting at a location to be determined by the Executive Council, with at least 30 days prior written notice of the meeting.
- b. The General Council shall have the right to hold special meetings as may be called by the Executive Council, with at least 7 days written notice or as, requested in writing by a simple majority of the then sitting General Council.
- c. It shall be the obligation of the Administrator and the Executive Council to notify all General Council members of any meetings by providing the appropriate advanced written notice as set forth above. Notices of meetings shall be deemed effective if sent to the email address last provided to the UHSL by each Program.
- d. The Chair of the Executive Council shall conduct all meetings.
- e. General Council Meeting agendas shall be initiated by the Executive Council and circulated for comment to all General Council Members at least two (2) weeks prior to a scheduled General Council meeting.

- 3.1.4.2 Executive Council:
- a. The Executive Council shall meet no fewer than six (6) times in a calendar year.
 - b. The frequency, time, duration and location of the meetings shall be determined by the Executive Council.
 - c. The Chair of the Executive Council shall conduct all meetings. In the absence of the Chair, the Vice Chair shall conduct the meetings.
 - d. Executive Council Meeting agendas shall be initiated by the Chair and circulated for comment to all Executive Council Members prior to the scheduled Executive Council meeting. . Notwithstanding, in the event of an emergency the Chair may call a meeting with 48 hours' notice to all Executive Council Members. Notice shall be deemed effective if sent to the email address last provided to the Chair by each Executive Council Member.
- 3.1.4.3 Except for Executive Sessions, which can be called by the Chair, all Executive and General Council meetings shall be open to the public.
- 3.1.4.4 Executive Council Members within each Region are encouraged to reach out to the General Council Members they represent for input and, if appropriate, conduct meetings prior to any scheduled Executive Council meetings.
- 3.1.4.5 The Councils shall keep accurate minutes of the proceedings and decisions of the Councils.
- a. The Chair, or the secretary of the Executive Council as designated by the Chair, shall be responsible for posting a summary of approved minutes of any General or Executive Council Meetings or General or Executive Council decisions on the League website.
- 3.1.5 **Active High School Program Defined:** An Active High School Program shall be a high school program that participated in the most recent UHSSL spring season, or has submitted to the Executive Council a Letter of Intent to Play in the upcoming season, on or before August 1 of the summer immediately preceding the year the program intends to participate in the UHSSL season competition.
- 3.1.6 Decisions of the **Responsibilities of General Council:** The General Council shall, by majority vote, have the exclusive authority and responsibility to:
- a. Determine League alignment, Regions, and conferences, except as provided above;
 - b. Admit new teams to the League;
 - c. Establish Program and player fees to participate in the UHSSL;
 - d. Determine league and playoff structure;
 - e. Approval of budgets;
 - f. Appoint the Executive Council; and
 - g. Vote on and approve general League Policies or amendments thereto.
- 3.1.7 **Decisions and Responsibilities of Executive Council:** The Executive Council shall have the exclusive authority and responsibility to
- a. Manage the day-to-day affairs of the League or to appoint an administrator to do so;
 - b. Appoint committees to accomplish specific tasks as it determines prudent (e.g. awards, rules and officiating);
 - c. Consider and decide petitions brought to it regarding player transfer requests, team-specific requests, or other petitions that do not affect the League generally;

d. Impose sanctions for the violation of the rules and standards set forth herein; and

e. Take any and all other actions necessary to manage and oversee the affairs of the UHSLL constituency, except to the extent the action is specifically delegated to the General Council as set forth above.

3.1.8 **Decision Making Principles**

3.1.8.1 All decisions made of the General Council and Executive Council shall be made in accordance with the Goals and Guiding Principles of the UHSLL.

3.1.8.2 General business decisions by the Executive Council shall require 50% of the Executive Council Members to be in attendance, for a vote to be taken. Votes will carry with a simple majority. Decisions on imposed sanctions shall require a three-quarters majority.

3.1.8.3 Every Executive Council member shall be a voting member. Votes should be cast in person whenever possible, however, with prior notice to the Chair, an Executive Council Member may cast his or her vote electronically, however, he/she must have been able to listen to the Executive Council discussion (either via phone conference or video conference device) regarding the matter being voted upon to be able to cast a vote. In

the event of a tie, the matter must be submitted to the General Council for determination. A record of votes shall be kept by the Secretary and shall indicate each person casting a vote and his or her vote.

4.0 **League Participation**

4.1 **Program /Team Requirements**

4.1.1 Program Governance

4.1.1.1 Each program will operate under direction from a host school; e.g. AD oversight of the program – OR – If no support from a host school, then under a Board of Directors who oversees eligibility, coaches/player conduct and general management.

4.1.1.2 Teams newly admitted to the UHSLL and not working under direction of a host school should establish a Board of Directors by the October following their first season of play as a provisional member.

4.1.1.3 At minimum, the Board of Directors will include a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. The board may also include other officers or representatives.

4.1.1.4 The varsity head coach may NOT be a voting member of the board.

4.1.2 Participating Teams

4.1.2.1 Each program may have only one Varsity team to compete in the UHSLL. All subsequent teams established from the same program will be established as either Junior Varsity or Freshman/Sophomore teams.

4.1.2.2 Junior Varsity will be comprised of players from 9th – 12th grade.

4.1.2.3 Freshman/Sophomore teams will be comprised of 9th – 11th grade players.

4.1.2.4 After fielding (1) a varsity, (2) a junior varsity and (3) a freshman/sophomore team, programs may choose to field either another junior varsity or freshman/sophomore level team if the league has a freshman/sophomore program.

4.1.2.5 To field a varsity team, a Program must have a minimum of 18 registered players. To field a junior varsity team requires a minimum of 36 registered players (total number in the varsity and junior varsity). To field

a freshman/sophomore team or a second junior varsity team requires a minimum of 51 total registered players and to field an additional team requires a minimum of 70 total registered players.

4.1.3 League Mandated Items

4.1.3.1 All players, coaches and parents shall have signed the appropriate codes of conduct and medical releases prior to player participation in any UHSLL contest. These documents shall be available at each game.

4.1.3.2 All players shall be registered with the UHSLL prior to league participation.

4.1.3.3 Fees

4.1.3.3.1 Every Provisional and Regular Membership team will pay league registration fees to be determined by the UHSLL. Specific dates will be determined and communicated each year.

4.1.3.3.2 In the unfortunate event that a team decides to fold during the season, any League fees paid will be kept by the League.

4.1.4 Admission of New Teams

4.1.4.1 New teams will complete the application for provisional membership prior to 30 September as well as:

4.1.4.1.1 Agree to abide by the UHSLL Handbook provisions.

4.1.4.1.2 Provide a home field for hosting games.

4.1.4.1.3 Provide a coach meeting qualifications established by the UHSLL.

4.1.4.1.4 Sufficient organizational support to convince the General Council that the new team will be viable for the ensuing season.

4.1.4.1.5 Desire to enter as a Varsity team.

4.1.4.1.6 A team not meeting the criteria above may play a JV schedule. After one year, the General Council shall determine if Regular Membership status is warranted.

4.1.4.2 Player Assignment

4.1.4.2.1 When a new team forms, all players attending schools deemed within that new team's designated boundaries must play for the new team with the exception of seniors who may play their final season for their original team.

4.1.5 Transportation to Games

4.1.5.1 Teams are responsible for their own transportation to games and are cautioned to follow all applicable laws and ordinances to ensure the safety of their staff and players.

4.1.5.2 Teams are encouraged to ensure that all drivers are adults and that any player riding with a person other than his parent/guardian has specific permission to do so.

4.1.6 Finances

4.1.6.1 Teams are encouraged to ensure detailed oversight of all monetary transactions and accounting for any monetary disbursement. Following all applicable local, state and federal laws, including IRS regulations, is critical. Going above and beyond the regulations to ensure totally transparent financial dealings will help protect all members of an organization.

4.2 Requirements of Head Coach / Coaching Staff

- 4.2.1 The Head Coach of each program in the League will be held responsible for knowing the rules and ensuring that all those coaching and acting under the Head Coach comply with the rules of the UHSSL. The Varsity Head Coach, along with program leadership/Board of Directors, is responsible for all teams within their particular program (Varsity, Junior Varsity, Freshman/Sophomore).
- 4.2.2 Rules/Policies training shall be provided for all coaches as directed by the Executive Council.
- 4.2.3 Head coaches and Team Organization heads/Parent Reps shall attend several mandatory meetings each year as determined by the Council.

Meeting/Agenda Items	Required Attendance
UHSSL Conference Policies and Procedures	Head Coaches, Organization Heads
Rules Update Points of Emphasis	Head Coaches, Organization Heads
Stats Training	Head Coaches (one-time), Stats keepers (a minimum of two from each program)
Awards Selection Post Season Details	Head Coaches Only (Proxy for this meeting requires prior approval by the commissioner.)

- 4.2.4 Minimum Qualifications
 - 4.2.4.1 The Head Coach of a program shall be at least 18 years old.
 - 4.2.4.2 All Coaches shall be members of US Lacrosse.
 - 4.2.4.3 All Head Coaches must be First Aid certified and CPR qualified and provide evidence of such certification and qualification to the UHSSL. It is recommended that there be a certified individual at all practices, scrimmages and games immediately available to respond to an emergency. It is recommended that all members of the coaching staff be First Aid certified and CPR qualified.
 - 4.2.4.5 All members of the coaching staff must undergo a UHSSL approved background check prior to any contact with participants and shall have their badge in their possession to be able to be present in the Coaches Box at any game. Failure to have coaches with badges in the coaches' box may result in game forfeiture prior to starting play.
 - 4.2.4.6 All Coaches shall read and agree to abide by the Code of Conduct for Coaches.
 - 4.2.4.7 All Coaches are encouraged to complete US Lacrosse Level I and Level II On-line and Clinic training.
 - 4.2.4.8 All Head Coaches shall complete Positive Coaching Alliance (PCA) training prior to the first game of their first season as a coach.
- 4.2.5 Coaches, staff and volunteers become role models for others in the UHSSL and community. These individuals often play major roles in establishing standards of acceptable behavior in the community, and establishing and maintaining the reputation of the UHSSL and the level of community confidence and support

afforded the UHSSL. It is of the utmost importance that those involved in UHSSL activities comply with the letter and intent of all applicable laws and rules of behavior and conduct themselves at all times in a manner befitting their positions and responsibilities. This includes a prohibition on the use of foul, abusive, or profane language while engaged in UHSSL related activities and strict adherence to the Drug, Alcohol and Tobacco policy.

4.3 Player Requirements

4.3.1 Age Restrictions

4.3.1.1 No player shall participate in program activities who has reached nineteen years of age prior to the first day of September of the school year in which such participation is intended.

4.3.1.2 Players must be in at least 9th grade to participate in the UHSSL.

4.3.1.4 A player must be a member of US Lacrosse prior to participating in any league or team practice or game. A team may perform introductory sessions with prospective players that do not include any physical contact. Individuals participating in introductory sessions shall wear eye and mouth protection if they are participating in throwing/catching activities.

4.3.2 Student Status

4.3.2.1 No player shall compete in any UHSSL activity who is a graduate of a regular four-year high school or who is a graduate of a secondary school which has the same requirements for graduation as a regular four-year high school. However, a student who finishes the required number of credits for graduation in fewer semesters than are normally required and is doing college undergraduate work shall not be barred from competition to which he would otherwise have been eligible until the termination of so many semesters as normally would have been available for such a student's eligibility or participation as long as they are still considered a student at the high school they are playing for.

4.3.2.2 At the time a student first enters the ninth grade, or an equivalent level of education in any other system, that student shall have four consecutive years of eligibility.

4.3.2.3 Students who do not attend school or who fail to, or are deemed ineligible to participate, shall forfeit their eligibility during that period and shall not be provided any additional period of eligibility except as may be provided through the appeal process.

4.3.2.4 All players must complete and turn in to their coach all UHSSL required forms prior to participation in practices or games.

4.3.3 Academic Eligibility

4.3.3.1 A player must have obtained a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 or its equivalent in the preceding grading period.

4.3.3.2 A student who has failed to meet the minimum requirements set forth shall be ineligible for participation throughout the next grading period.

4.3.3.3 Eligibility under this rule is determined when grades are posted. Teams shall require players to submit their grades to the Head Coach or Team Organization representative to determine eligibility.

4.3.3.4 Teams may institute higher academic eligibility standards at their discretion for their team.

4.3.3.5 Decisions by parents/legal guardians to raise academic eligibility standards for their player shall be accepted with full support.

4.3.4 Program / Team Participation

4.3.4.1 Basic Policy

4.3.4.1.1 Individuals must play for the team affiliated with the school they attend. (Attendance means the school they are registered with and attend the majority of their classes.) Change of attendance requires them to change teams.

4.3.4.1.2 Once initial High School attendance and eligibility is established, movement to any other team requires Executive Council approval before they play or practice with that team.

4.3.4.2 Policy Details

4.3.4.2.1 A player attending a public school without a lacrosse program is eligible to play for the lacrosse program associated with their attendance school on the current UHSSL boundary document. If their school is not listed on that document they are eligible to play for the next closest public school with a lacrosse program nearest to their home address. A player attending a non-boundary school without a lacrosse program is eligible to play for the lacrosse program based on the public high school boundaries of his home address. For purposes of this rule, distance shall be determined by driving distance as shown by Google maps. For reference, a boundary document has been created and will be maintained to address commonly-asked questions regarding affiliations between public schools without lacrosse programs and those with programs.

4.3.4.2.2 Home-based instruction students shall participate with the team affiliated with the resident public school that the student would normally attend.

4.3.4.2.3 Ninth grade students enrolled in a junior high school who participate with a lacrosse team during the regular season or during a formal or informal tryout shall be deemed to be attending the high school affiliated with that team. This places the burden on the player to associate themselves with the team affiliated with the high school they will be attending and recognizes the prevailing state law for open enrollment.

4.3.4.2.4 If a new team forms, players attending the school affiliated with that new team shall play for that team. Seniors may be excluded from this requirement based on their desire to remain with their previous team for their final year.

4.3.4.2.5 The recruiting of players by a school, program, coach/staff or affiliated individuals/boosters is considered a serious violation of UHSSL principles and will be dealt with through investigation and appropriate individual and/or team/program sanctions. A player found in violation of these rules shall be subject to sanction by the Executive Council, including, but not limited to, the loss of eligibility or, if the violation is sufficiently serious, expulsion from the UHSSL. Where there is a potential for expulsion, the player shall have a right to have his matter heard by the Executive Council. Attendance at program/team or coach sponsored camps or participation together on a "super league," "all-star," "select" or other traveling or combined team where there is an attempt to establish eligibility at a school which is outside the residential area of any of those player's will be prima facie evidence of recruiting.

4.3.5 Transferring Students

The Transfer Rule is an integral part of the UHSSL's ability to create, administer and maintain the valuable and unique form of competition it offers. This unique form of competition is a carefully constructed system that promotes competitive balance and serves the mission and purpose of education based sports and activities. High school sports and activities are intended to foster a sense of community as well as to teach teamwork and discipline. Other sporting organizations exist which promote free player movement and are primarily designed to promote athletic development of the individual and provide a showcase for the athletic talents of those individuals. These organizations do not share the primary purposes of the UHSSL and therefore cannot provide the unique type of competition created and maintained by the UHSSL. Efforts randomly to impose adjustments or favoritism on these rules damage the UHSSL and, in turn, damage all the students who either participate in the league or who support them. The UHSSL is committed to maintaining its unique form of competition.

A student may request and the UHSSL shall grant a student eligibility to participate high school lacrosse after the student transfers to another school if the student participates in lacrosse at the new school and at least one of the following apply:

- A. The student's full family moves outside of the boundaries of the originating school and into the boundary of the new school;
- B. The student's transfer to the new school is a result of a death in the family, which requires the student to move from the student's original residence;
- C. The student's transfer to the new school is a result of a divorce, which requires the student to move from the student's original residence;
- D. The student moves to live with an individual who has legal custody of the student with full and complete guardianship, which includes therapeutic boarding schools for students who are involved in therapeutic treatment at the new UHSSL member school;
- E. The student has been a victim of bullying and the bullying was reported, documented, and investigated by the school or law enforcement.

Any student making such a request shall provide such documentation as the UHSSL may require and all requests will be considered on the facts documented.

A student whose situation does not meet the criteria above may compete at the sub varsity level at the new school for a period of twelve (12) months from the last day of attendance at the former school provided they meet all other UHSSL and school/district eligibility requirements. Once a student has enrolled and attended at the new school, that student is no longer eligible at the former school.

Interps & Guidelines to 4.3.5.1: Transfer Students

A. A student establishes initial eligibility upon entry to high school or its equivalent (either in the ninth grade or the tenth grade depending on the high school) for the first time. Whenever a student intends to participate in high school lacrosse in this state, the student's entry to high school, irrespective of the location, shall be used for purposes of the application of this rule. A student enrolling in a Utah high school for the first time, as a result of a full-family move, will be deemed residentially eligible for interscholastic activities even if that first entry is at a school not within the student's residential area. This exception to the transfer rule regarding residency for students enrolling for the first time recognizes the prevailing law encouraging open enrollment. Unless otherwise exempted, the Transfer Rule will apply to any subsequent transfer (Article 1, Section 1).

B. Recruiting Not Affected by First Entry Exception: The recruiting of student-athletes by a member school, coach, coaching staff or affiliated boosters is considered a serious violation of the UHSSL rules regarding the imposition of undue influence on students for the purposes of

athletics. Although under most circumstances the UHSSL will not examine the motives behind a student's choice of school upon first entry, there may be other factors beyond residence that could affect a student's eligibility and could impose heavy sanctions on a school, a program and/or a coach. One example is recruiting. Where a student or students who, during the school year prior to initial high school participation, have attended a school or coach sponsored camp or have been players together on a "super-league," "all-star," "select" or other traveling or combined team, attempt to establish eligibility at a member school which is outside the residential area for any of those students, such enrollment may be considered prima facie evidence of recruiting. Similarly, where a transferring student transfers to a school and intends to participate with any member or coach of such a traveling or combined team, such transfer shall also be considered prima facie evidence of recruiting.

1. A panel may determine that there was no recruiting or may impose any or all of the penalties permitted, including fines, restrictions, suspensions and disqualifications. The UHSSL may ask the hearing panel to declare that recruited students cannot be eligible at any time at the school to which they were recruited.

2. Principals should remind athletic directors, coaches and boosters of the prohibition on recruiting and make certain that any possible violations of these rules be reported immediately to the UHSSL.

C. If a student's parents move, the student may remain eligible at the high school where he or she has established eligibility. Any subsequent transfer to another school will require the student to comply with the transfer rule.

D. The UHSSL will not review or act on any Application unless and until the transferring student has enrolled in the transferee school and has attended at least one day of classes. The UHSSL will not provide advisory opinions regarding potential eligibility.

E. During the summer, if a student so requests, the UHSSL will review a Application upon the receipt of proof of enrollment alone. In such a case, however, enrollment at the transferee school, even without attendance, will preclude such a student from claiming eligibility at the former school.

F. Definitions:

1. Residence: A residence is a place where a student has established his/her true, fixed and permanent home, where the family regularly eats, sleeps and lives. It is the place where the student and his/her parent(s) are habitually present and to which, when departing, they intend to return. Evidence of residence may include but is not limited to the following: voter registration records, ecclesiastical membership records, vehicle registration, rent receipts, utility payments, mortgage documents or income tax documentation. A student shall have only one residence for the purposes of UHSSL eligibility rules.

2. Bona Fide Change of Residence: To be considered a bona fide change of residence under these rules, minimally, the following facts must be present in the change:

- a. The prior residence must be abandoned. For purposes of these rules, that means that the prior residence has been sold, rented to third parties or transferred from the legal ownership or possession of the parents or guardians. The change of residence must include the transfer of personal property ordinarily associated with a legitimate change of residence.

- b. To qualify as a change of residence, the prior residence must not be currently used as a residence by either parent or any relative under the circumstance in which it could reasonably be inferred that the change of residence was a sham.
- c. The new residence must be situated in a high school attendance area different than the prior residence.

G. For the purposes of eligibility due to change of residence, one of the following conditions must apply.

1. Full Family Move: A permanent change in residence by the student and his/her entire family into the established attendance area of the high school to which the transfer is made. The new residence must be situated in a high school attendance area different from the prior residence. For the purpose of this rule, the attendance boundary for public charter schools or private schools is defined as the public school attendance boundary in which the public charter school or private school is physically located (see Article 1, Section 14).
2. Divorce: Immediately subsequent to a Decree of Divorce, a student transfers to a new high school attendance area with a parent who has legal custody of that student. Any subsequent transfer, even if to the residence of another parent with legal or joint custody, may not be considered a bona fide change in residence.

H. Special Circumstances Related to Eligibility:

1. Student of Full-Time Faculty Member: A student who is a child of a Varsity head coach, full-time faculty member and/or school administrator may become eligible for interscholastic activities at that school by petitioning and receiving approval of the UHSLL.
2. Ward of the Court: A student who is a ward of the court or the state and is placed in a school by court order may become eligible for interscholastic activities at that school by petitioning and receiving approval of the UHSLL.
3. Boarding School Students: A domestic boarding school student at the new UHSLL member school may become eligible for interscholastic activities at that school by petitioning and receiving approval from the UHSLL.
4. School Closure: If a member school closes, any student attending the school at closure shall be eligible at the new member school in whose aligned boundaries he/she resides. Students opting to attend and participate in a member school other than their aligned school must follow regular UHSLL transfer procedures.
5. Discontinued Programs: If a school discontinues or suspends its participation the UHSLL, any student who had previously participated in lacrosse while attending that school may transfer, without the loss of eligibility, to a different member school which offers that sport.
6. Alternative School Students: Students attending alternative high schools are eligible only at the public high school in whose attendance area the student's parent(s) or legal guardian(s) resides (neither a power of attorney nor a district or school guardianship will suffice) or at the public school from which the student withdrew for the purpose of attending the alternative high school. Nevertheless, any placement or assignment of a student to or from a public high school and an alternative school shall be considered a

transfer for purposes of this Rule and shall be subject to the requirements of the Transfer Rule.

7. Dual Enrollment: A student dual enrolled in special programs at a school other than the one he/she is attending is eligible to participate in interscholastic competition only at the school where the student's permanent records are maintained and he/she is considered a full-time student.

8. Disciplinary Removal: A student suspended, expelled or otherwise removed for disciplinary reasons, including revocation or non-renewal of open enrollment permit, from one high school shall be ineligible for interscholastic activities in any other school until all conditions for re- admittance have been fulfilled at the school where the suspension, expulsion, revocation or removal for disciplinary reasons occurred. In no case shall that period exceed twelve (12) months.

9. Harassment Intimidation, and Bullying; The UHSLL will address severe harassment, intimidation and/ or bullying that causes a student's continued enrollment at a high school to place that student's health and welfare in jeopardy. The UHSLL will entertain consideration of transfers under this provision only with documentation from the school in accordance with established School or Board of Education/governing board policies as outlined in R277-613-1 and R277-613-4. If a student is a victim of harassment, intimidation or bullying as those terms are defined in R277-613-1 which harassment, intimidation or bullying has been documented to the school district in accordance with R277-613-4 and as a result of this documented harassment, intimidation or bullying, the student is compelled to transfer.

1. The District's Anti-Harassment, Anti-Intimidation, Anti-Bullying policies and procedures have been strictly followed and complied with; and

2. The School or the District provides the UHSLL with a copy of the duly adopted policies and procedures; and

3. The School or the District secures the appropriate releases from the student/student's parents authorizing the release of a complete record of the events and circumstances on which the policies and procedures were initiated including:

- a. A specific, detailed report of the prohibited incident(s);

- b. An outline of the procedures used to respond to and investigate the reported incident(s);

- c. A copy of the findings that were a result of the complaint process and investigation;

- d. A specific, detailed disciplinary procedure for any individual found guilty of harassment, intimidation or bullying;

- e. All reports of notification to parents or guardians of any student involvement in the incident(s);

- f. A report of the intervention strategies and remedial action the school has undertaken to assist the student and redress the complaint.

4. The School or the District provides the UHSLL with all of the above-referenced records.

NOTE: It is the responsibility of the receiving school to work with the parents and the sending school to obtain all of the required documentation. If a parent approaches a school administrator and informs him/her that they have never filed a formal complaint with the former school then this will disqualify the student from using this exception.

I. Foreign students and international boarding school students shall be considered as any other transfer student and must subscribe to the rules outlined in the UHSLL Policies, Interps & Guidelines 4.3.5.1.

J. Other Activities: The Transfer Rule does not apply to activities other than athletics.

K. Statement of Philosophy/Rationale for the Transfer Rule:

1. Promotes the educational philosophy that participation in interscholastic activities is a privilege, which should not take a dominant role over academics.
2. Recognizes the overwhelming administrative difficulty in attempting to determine the motives or reasons for each and every transfer, and therefore, adopts a uniform objective standard to be followed by all member schools.
3. Helps to protect opportunities for participation by students who attend school in the attendance area of their residence.
4. Serves as a deterrent to students leaving their schools because of disciplinary action that has been or may be imposed. NOTE: These changes to the Association Transfer Rule have been the result of discussions with the Utah State Board of Education and the Utah State Legislature.

Interps & Guidelines to 4.3.5.2: FOREIGN STUDENT ELIGIBILITY

National Federation By-Law regarding eligibility for foreign exchange and international students

A. Foreign Exchange Students (J-1 visa):

1. A foreign exchange student is an international student who attends high school in the U.S. To be eligible for high school lacrosse in Utah., such a student must be under the auspices of, and be placed with, a U.S. host family by an international student exchange program that has been accepted for listing by the Council on Standards for International Educational Travel (CSIET) and be recognized by the U.S. Department of State, or be on a program approved by the USBE (Utah State Office of Education). The foreign exchange program must assign students to host families by a method that ensures no student, or his/her parents, school or other interested party may influence the assignment for athletic or other purposes. The foreign exchange student may not be selected or placed on any basis related to his/her athletic interests or abilities.
2. A foreign exchange student is considered to be placed with a host family when written notice of placement is provided by the exchange organization to the student and his/her parents and to the host family.
 - a. Neither the school, the student nor any person associated with the school shall have input into the selection of the student.
 - b. No member of the school's coaching staff, paid or voluntary, shall serve as the host family.

3. The foreign exchange student must possess a current J-1 visa, issued by the U.S. State Department.

4. The foreign exchange student must comply with all eligibility requirements set forth by the UHSSL of which the school he/she attends is a member. Conditions of eligibility for participation in UHSSL sponsored activities include:

a. Must be on a CSIET (Council on Standards for International Educational Travel) or USBE (Utah State Office of Education) approved placement program.

b. Must be attending school the first day of the term in order to be eligible for that term.

c. Student cannot participate if he/she has completed twelve (12) years of school (excluding kindergarten) prior to attending a Utah high school.

d. UHSSL age rule applies (cannot reach 19 years of age prior to September

e. Student must be in an approved placement program that is at least one semester (90 days) in length.

f. Foreign exchange students are eligible for a maximum of one year.

g. Student is only eligible at the school in the attendance area where he/she resides with the host family.

h. Student must meet all other UHSSL eligibility policies required of student athletes participating in UHSSL sponsored activities.

i. Student must complete the Foreign Exchange Student Eligibility Application Form 4A which includes: • Transcript of credits in English (to be evaluated and/or interpreted by USBE if necessary): - 12 year stipulation (item c above) - UHSAA scholastic rule requirement

- Date of birth

- Type of visa issued and the title of foreign placement program

- Reason for coming to this particular school; sports preferred

- Signatures: student, principal, agent and host family, with disclaimer certifying that no sports recruiting occurred

B. Other International Students (F-1 visa): An international student who is not living with a parent or legal guardian and is not under the auspices of and placed by a CSIET listed exchange program must meet the following requirements in order to be considered for interscholastic athletic eligibility:

1. The student must possess a current F-1 visa, issued by the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service.

2. The student must provide to the principal of the school he/she attends an official untranslated transcript and a transcript that is translated into English by an acceptable agent or agency which indicates work taken in all grades in which the student was enrolled.

3. The international student must pay tuition to the high school he/she attends as prescribed in Section 625 of U.S. Public Law 104-208 and receive an I-20 endorsement from the district or school before admission.

4. No member of the school's coaching staff, paid or voluntary, shall serve as the resident family for the student.

5. The international student must comply with all eligibility requirements set forth by the state high school association of which the school he/she attends is a member. Conditions of eligibility for participation in UHSSL sponsored activities include:

a. Student cannot participate if he/she has completed twelve (12) years of school (excluding kindergarten) prior to attending a Utah high school.

b. UHSSL age rule applies (cannot reach 19 years of age prior to September 1).

c. Student must meet all other UHSSL eligibility policies required of student athletes participating in UHSSL sponsored activities.

d. The UHSSL required process of international student as any other transfer student. Such student must complete required International Student Transfer Application Form 4B.

5.1 Structural Philosophy / League Alignment

5.1.1 The structure of the UHSSL is critical to the development and advancement of lacrosse in Utah. There shall not be separate divisions within the UHSSL. However, teams will be divided into Regions. Teams will play a minimum of six games against other teams within that Region each year. Opponents for these games will be determined by that team's ranking in Lax Power relative to the ranking of the other teams in their Region. Teams must play at least 12 regular games within the UHSSL and may not play more than 20 total regular season games between the start of the season and playoffs. At the conclusion of the season, teams will be seated for playoff participation in one of three playoff divisions according to their "Region-In Ranking" from Lax Power: Division A, Division B, or Division C. Seating shall be established by each team's Lax Power ranking. The top 16 teams will be seated in playoff Division A, the next 16 teams will be seated in playoff Division B, and the remaining teams will be seated in playoff Division C.

5.1.2 League alignment will be determined by the General Council at least annually with input from coaches.

5.1.3 The General Council will re-evaluate the alignment of the League and team assignments within each Region every year during the annual meeting.

5.2 Practice Regulations

5.2.1 Lacrosse Season

5.2.1.1 The lacrosse season shall extend from the Monday one week prior to Presidents Day to the end of the final championship game.

5.2.1.2 The non-conference competition season shall commence the first Monday in March and the conference competition season shall commence the second Monday of March.

5.2.1.3 Any players participating in a scrimmage must satisfy the practice regulations.

5.2.1.4 No member of a high school team may participate with an outside lacrosse team during the lacrosse season.

5.2.3 Annual Moratorium (Blackout)

5.2.3.1 The purpose of the UHSSL moratorium period is to allow players and coach's time away from lacrosse without the pressure of losing a level playing field, and to prevent burnout and possible player injuries.

5.2.3.1.1 Set Moratorium: No lacrosse related activities organized by the coach or program can take place on the following:

- a. Thanksgiving Day
- b. Christmas Day (Including 12/24 & 12/26)
- c. New Year's Day

5.2.3.1.2 Block Moratorium: Two, two week blocks, (exact dates will be set by the Executive Council. No lacrosse related activities organized by the coach or Program can take place during Block Moratorium periods. The Executive Council shall circulate the Block Moratorium dates to each General Council Member, who is responsible to ensure that his or her program complies with this requirement.

Coaches may petition the Executive Council to adjust the two-week block under extenuating circumstances. Blocks can only be moved in full blocks. Exceptions are only good for the then-current season.

5.2.3.1.3 Moratorium days apply to incoming 9th through 12th grade students.

5.2.3.1.4 During the moratorium teams shall not meet, practice, compete or travel. Non-Lacrosse related activities are appropriate, such as parent meetings or fundraising events.

5.2.3.1.5 Coaching Restrictions (COACHES SHALL NOT)

1. Organize or conduct any meeting related to lacrosse. (Parents meetings are appropriate.)
2. Organize or conduct practice or competitions of any kind at any level.
3. Organize or conduct any activities related to the sport including weight lifting and conditioning.
4. Organize or conduct open field time.
5. Coach or observe any potential player related to lacrosse. A coach may observe only if his/her own child is participating or if acting as a registered official assigned to that specific contest.

5.2.3.2 Out-of-Season participation shall be voluntary and will not be prerequisite to membership or participation on any team. This excludes the try-outs discussed above.

5.2.4 Practice Regulations

5.2.4.1 Players must complete 8 practices before participating in an organized competition, including exhibition games, scrimmages or tournaments against an opponent outside of one's own program. For the purposes of this rule, there can be only one practice per day.

- 5.2.4.2 For the purpose of meeting the pre-contest practice requirements, practice is defined as a regularly scheduled team physical activity designed for the preparation of athletes for the ensuing lacrosse season and must be conducted under the supervision of the head coach or an assistant coach.
- 5.2.4.3 Practice days are considered to be Monday through Saturday. Neither Sunday practices nor practices on game days may count towards meeting minimum practice requirements.
- 5.2.4.4 An individual who participates in any level of UHSSA sanctioned post season play-offs and thus cannot meet the minimum practice requirements for the succeeding lacrosse season will be allowed to waive up to a maximum of one-half (4) of the required eight (8) practices only if the available team practice days for the individual involved in the preceding play-offs are insufficient to meet the minimum requirement before a scheduled contest.
- 5.2.4.5 For purposes of meeting the pre-contest practice requirement, a player may not begin counting practices until they are cleared and listed as an official roster member of the program for which they intend to compete.

5.3 Game Regulations

- 5.3.1 All UHSSL-sponsored play shall be governed by the current NFHS rules/situations & rulings, MDOC Training Manual and interpretations and the NCAA Statistician's Manual and situations & rulings with the following exceptions:
 - A. Goal Specifications: In-ground or flat-bar goals are recommended but not required.
 - B. Field Specifications: There shall be flexibility on field size; however, all field lines and markers (cones) must be present; furthermore, goals must be positioned a minimum of 15 yards from each end line and dimensions of the restraining boxes must be legal (35 yds X 40 yds).
- 5.3.2 A player shall play no more than six (6) regulation quarters per day except in the case of an abbreviated game tournament as defined in rule 5.3.4.3. Goalies can be excluded from this requirement. The intent of this rule is to protect players from excessive exertion. There are situations within this rule that prudence would dictate less play. A player is determined to have played a quarter if at any point, for any duration, he is on the field of play during a non-dead ball period.
- 5.3.3 Based on amateur status rules, high school players will forfeit their season eligibility if they play with any higher level (e.g. men's club) team.

5.6 Regular Season Contest Limit

- 5.6.1.1 20 Games plus post season play during the lacrosse season.
- 5.6.1.2 A game is defined in Game Regulations with at least one paid official present.

- 5.6.1.3 Abbreviated contests played as part of a tournament – The games played in one day are considered one game for the purposes of the 20 game limit, and statistics for those games will not count toward season totals.
- 5.6.1.4 All games and tournaments played during the season shall be listed on the team schedule on the UHSSL website.
- 5.6.1.5 Statistics for all UHSSL full length regulation games shall count towards end of season awards and shall be recorded on the Team Statistics pages on the UHSSL Website.
- 5.6.2 Scheduling
 - 5.6.2.1 All conference games are scheduled by the Council by January 15 for the upcoming year.
 - 5.6.2.2 Each team shall schedule at least 12 UHSSL League games to be eligible for post season play and end-of-season awards.
 - 5.6.2.3 Games scheduled individually by coaches (i.e. not the League) are considered Non-Conference games. These games are scheduled at the discretion of the coaches involved and UHSSL guidance.
 - 5.6.2.4 Any change to a scheduled game must be agreed upon between coaches of both teams.
 - 5.6.2.5 Changes to a scheduled game are handled in accordance with procedures of the Assignor and the league game cancellation policy found on the UHSSL website.
 - 5.6.2.6 The Executive Council shall adjudicate any issues related to any team's refusal to play and shall ensure that consideration is given to the willingness of teams to cooperate in reacting to situations where a team could not reasonably be expected to play a particular game due to circumstances beyond their immediate control and/or ability to predict.
 - 5.6.2.7 Once all Conference and non-Conference games have been scheduled (due date determined by the Executive Council), the Executive Council, or the Administrator appointed by the Executive Council, shall forward those schedules to the Assignor for inclusion in the Officials Scheduling process.
 - 5.6.2.8 Changes to the schedule shall be coordinated through the Administrator and the Assignor.
 - 5.6.2.9 If a team chooses to schedule multiple games with an in-conference opponent, the last game played shall be used to determine conference standings.
 - 5.6.2.10 Other than the six games set by the UHSSL, Head coaches are responsible for inputting scheduled games into the UHSSL website. All game schedules and rosters (to include name, grade and jersey number) shall be input by the first game of the season.
 - 5.6.2.11 Varsity impact players are not eligible to play in JV or sophomore games.
 - 5.6.2.12 Once schedules have been locked by the UHSSL Administrator on the league website in accordance with the date established by the current season's "Important Dates" any scheduling changes requested after this date must be mutually agreed upon by both parties, and written documentation of that mutual agreement must be provided to the league administrator for the requested scheduling changes to be enacted. If a mutual agreement cannot be made the game is to be played as originally scheduled as it appears on the league website. A refusal to play becomes subject to the terms of section 5.6.2.6 of the UHSSL

Policy, and the program refusing to play is subject to the following in the instance the game(s) in question do not take place:

A. The game(s) will result as a forfeiture and be recorded as a 1-0 loss for the program refusing to play.

B. The program refusing play will be imposed a \$500 fine per game which will be awarded to the program play was refused with.

a. The league will oversee the process of this transaction.

5.7 Statistics

5.7.1 At every game there shall be qualified personnel from each team at the scorer's table, supervising table activities. In accordance with NFHS/US Lacrosse rules, the home team scorer maintains the official record of the game, but both teams shall keep scoring, assist, penalty and goalie save statistics for both teams. Table duties and guidelines are contained in the Utah High School Lacrosse League Scoring Handbook and shall be followed for all UHSSL sponsored games.

5.7.2 Statistics will be kept by each team for each full-length regulation game and reported to the League via UtahLax.org. It is encouraged that all statistics be entered within 48 hours after the end of each contest.

5.8 Reciprocal Policy

5.8.1 Disciplinary actions taken by another entity within UHSSL, US Lacrosse or local schools against players, coaches, parents or fans shall be upheld.

5.9 Culture Keepers

5.9.1 Each team will have an assigned "Culture Keeper" at each game actively administering and promoting the US Lacrosse Sportsmanship Card Program. Officials will be introduced to each team's culture keeper(s) prior to each game.

5.10 Lightning Policy

5.10.1 When thunder is heard, or a cloud-to-ground lightning bolt is seen, the thunderstorm is close enough to strike your locations with lightning. Suspend play and instruct the teams to seek shelter off the field. Warn the spectators as well. Wait a minimum of thirty minutes from the time of the last thunder/lightening. After consulting with the officials and coaches, you can resume the contest.

5.10.2 This policy applies to practices as well as games.

5.11 Hazing

- 5.11.1 Hazing of any type will not be tolerated. Hazing by any member or members of a team will be reviewed by the coaches council and may result in forfeiture of all games that season.
- 5.11.2 Any incident of hazing that is known by the coach, assistant coach, parent rep, etc. and is not reported to the UHSLL may result in that person being excluded from any UHSLL activity for a period of one year in addition to other sanctions of the program.

5.12 Drug, Alcohol and Tobacco Policy

- 5.12.1 Every practical effort shall be made at all levels of the UHSLL to eradicate the promotion, use or abuse of alcohol, drugs and tobacco to include performance-enhancing substances.
- 5.12.2 Limitation for participation of players regarding the use of alcohol, tobacco products and other drugs during a sports season:
 - 5.12.2.1 First offense: Suspension from two consecutive games. Practice may be continued following a personal assessment of the student by a licensed substance abuse intervention or treatment program and/or participation in an intervention program.
 - 5.12.2.2 Second offense: A six-week suspension from participation and mandatory completion of an intervention program prior to reinstatement.
 - 5.12.2.3 Third offense: An eighteen-week suspension from participation and mandatory completion of an intervention program prior to reinstatement. A fourth offense shall end future participation.
- 5.12.3 Teams may institute more stringent requirements.
- 5.12.4 Program staff and coaches shall fully support the elements of this policy in their behavior when interacting with players in all situations and shall report any known violations to the UHSLL immediately.

5.13 Procedure for petition to play for another program

A petition to move programs must be in writing and submitted by the player or parent in the form of a Petition to the Executive Council. The Petition shall:

- (1) Be written.
- (2) Set forth all the circumstances surrounding the appeal.
- (3) Be submitted to the Executive Council through the Chair.

The Executive Council will review the Petition and either:

- (1) Grant the Petition.
- (2) Deny the Petition, or
- (3) Request more information from the player before making a decision. The decision of the Executive Council shall be in writing and shall be delivered to the player in a reasonable period of time. Any Executive Council member who is involved with the circumstances surrounding a specific eligibility issue will not participate in any vote of the Executive Council concerning that issue.

If a player is attempting to transfer to a given program to play lacrosse and the petition is denied by the Executive Council, the player shall not be allowed to play for that program at any level.

5.14 Incident Reporting

5.14.1 All incidents associated with the League that may affect the effective management of the League, cause harm to the reputation of the League or present the possibility of legal liability to the League shall be reported.

5.14.1.1 Injuries, to include all suspected concussions and any injury requiring professional interaction/evaluation and any injury that may result in professional interaction/evaluation in the future shall be reported to the Administrator and Chair with the General Feedback Form.

5.14.1.2 Fights, conflicts with officials, spectator incidents, conflicts with field owners or community infrastructure, forfeits, significant arguments, or any incident reflecting poorly on our goals and principles shall be reported to the Administrator and Chair with the Incident/Accident Report.

6.0 Rule Violations and Penalties

6.1 The strength of the UHSSL lies in the willingness and ability of the membership to support the goals, guidelines, rules and regulations adopted and, if necessary, to support the penalties placed upon members, if it is determined that those same guidelines, rules and regulations have been violated. Violation of UHSSL By-Laws, policies, rules and regulations can result in, but is not limited to, sanctions placed upon individual players, coaches, program leadership, spectators, officials and/or programs as a whole. Sanctions can include but are not limited to game suspension, season suspension, forfeiture of games, forfeiture of post-season play (playoffs), fines, probation and expulsion from the League. Each situation is unique and will be handled at the discretion of the Council. Multiple, repeated infractions, those deemed to intentionally defy league policy, those that represent lapses in integrity/ethics, those that place individuals at physical or emotional risk, and those that potentially do significant harm to the Honor of the Game will result in stiffer sanctions.

6.2 Use of an ineligible player

6.2.1 The use of an ineligible player shall result in forfeiture of all games in which that player took part.

6.2.2 An ineligible player "takes part" in a game when a player steps onto the playing field in uniform during competition of a contest in which he/she is ineligible. Coaches are strongly encouraged to keep ineligible players distinctly away from the sideline area of a contest for which they are ineligible. An ineligible player may not be on the sidelines in uniform.

6.2.3 Intentional or knowing violations of this policy shall be treated as an integrity violation which affronts the Honor of the Game and shall result in severe penalties for the individuals and/or the coaches/team/program.

6.3 Failure to post team rosters

6.3.1 The failure of a team to post accurate and complete schedules and varsity rosters (including player name, number and year) on UHSSL website prior to the first game of the season may cause that team to forfeit each game until the information is posted. After the first game of the season, each team must maintain a current roster. All games and tournaments that figure into the 20 game limit shall be posted.

6.4 Misconduct by Players and Spectators

- 6.4.1 Ejection from a game for Unsportsmanlike Conduct or a red card carries an automatic one-game suspension as a minimum additional penalty. Ejection for Flagrant Misconduct or for a second ejection or second red card shall carry an automatic two-game suspension with additional review by the Council for further action as deemed necessary to maintain the Honor of the game. A third ejection, or second ejection for Flagrant Misconduct or a third red card in the same season shall result in suspension for the remainder of the season and review by the Council for additional action deemed necessary. Violations of policy or actions that dishonor the game or the UHSLL by Coaches or other Team Leadership shall be reviewed by the Council for appropriate sanctions to the individual and/or the Team and is, in general, considered more serious than a violation by a player. Teams or individuals in gross or continual violation of policies or rules, including multiple ejections, may be suspended from the UHSLL with the requirement to formally request reinstatement from the Coaches Council at the end of the suspension. Ejections shall incur a \$75 penalty to the team for each occurrence by a coach and \$50 by a player. Unsportsmanlike penalties or red cards shall incur a \$35 penalty to the team for each occurrence by a coach and \$25 by a player.
- 6.4.2 Coaches are responsible for controlling their parents, players, and fans. Coaches will work with game officials to control the players and crowd as necessary to ensure a safe event and to honor the game.
- A. Spectators are not allowed immediately behind the bench areas or within or immediately behind the penalty box and table area. If permanent bleachers are present, all spectators and parents are to be located in those bleachers.
 - B. Where permanent bleachers are not present, teams shall be located on the opposite sidelines from the spectators and parents.

6.5 Video Policy

- 6.5.1 When a question arises from an action during a UHSLL sanctioned game where video of the action is available, the head coaches of both teams, where possible, shall make the video available to the Administrator for review. If the action in question involves an official's call, the video will be used for educational purposes. No official's call will be overturned. If the situation involves actions by a player, coach, parent or fan, the Administrator shall review the video and recommend appropriate disciplinary action to the Executive Council.
- 6.5.2 Filming of other team's practices is prohibited.

6.6 Contesting Sanctions

- 6.6.1 Any sanctioning decision of the Administrator may be appealed to the Executive Council. Any sanctioning decision of the Executive Council may be appealed in writing to the General Council through the Chair.

6.7 Entry Fee/Gate Fee

- 6.7.1 Teams may charge an entrance fee for regular season games that are played in a stadium provided the opposing team is notified of the fee at least 1 week in advance of the scheduled game.

6.8 Sanction Carry-Over

- 6.8.1 Sanctions imposed in one season, which have not been fully served by the end of the season, shall be carried over into the next season.

6.9 Social Media

- 6.9.1 All UHSSL players that communicate through social media, and post content that references or refers to the culture of lacrosse in Utah or write anything related to Utah Lacrosse players, coaches, and referees on a blog or some other online space, that contains abusive, vulgar, offensive, racist, threatening or harassing comments, personal attacks of any kind, or offensive terms that target specific individuals or groups shall be subject to suspension or removal from the UHSSL.
- 6.9.2 The UHSSL logo is not for public use unless given permission by the UHSSL. Players or coaches may not use this logo without permission. All violations of the UHSSL Logo shall be subject to the takedown procedure for complaints of copyright violation under the Digital Millennium Copyright Act.

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