

## BC LACROSSE ASSOCIATION 2019 PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE BCLA FIELD DIRECTORATE POLICY

Proposed by Tricia Rachfall, BCLA Field Directorate Secretary

# Add new STATEMENT OF CLARIFICATION under the headings YOUTH FIELD OPERATING POLICY, SENIOR MEN'S FIELD OPERATING POLICY AND WOMEN'S FIELD OPERATING POLICY following the heading, prior to the first Regulation that would read:

# All General Regulations (Regulations 1-12) apply equally to all sectors of Youth, Senior Men's and Women's Field Lacrosse in addition to sector specific Regulations.

**<u>Rationale</u>**: It appears that some people are claiming to not be aware that there are General Regulations in addition to sector specific Regulations and therefore only look under their sector for related policies. This is one more reminder that there are General Policies as well as ones specific to their sector.

Proposed by Savanna Smith, Vancouver Senior Women's Field

### **REGULATION 1: JOB DESCRIPTIONS VICE CHAIR – WOMEN'S FIELD currently reads:**

### VICE CHAIR - WOMEN'S FIELD

- Will be the contact for all women's teams for the BCLA Field Directorate
- Will assist in the development of women's programs in BC
- Make sure that all provincials run smoothly by working with the host association
- Will be elected for a two-year term in even numbered years.

# Amend REGULATION 1: JOB DESCRIPTIONS VICE CHAIR – WOMEN'S FIELD that would read:

#### VICE CHAIR - WOMEN'S FIELD

- Will be the contact for all *senior women's and* women's teams for the BCLA Field Directorate
- Will assist in the development of *senior women's and* women's programs in BC
- Make sure that all provincials run smoothly by working with the host association
- Will be elected for a two-year term in even numbered years.

**<u>Rationale</u>**: The Vice Chair for Women's Field does encompass both youth and women's field lacrosse. This would ensure that both are looked at separately as they run during two separate times of the year.

#### Proposed by Tyler Crompton, Chilliwack Hawks Field President

#### **REGULATION 3: PLAYING DIVISIONS, 3.01 currently reads:**

3.01 The Field Lacrosse Directorate shall govern, promote and supervise competition for league play and the Provincial Finals in the following divisions:

Senior Men's	19 years and over
U18 Field	Under 18 years
U15 Field	Under 15 years
U13 Field	Under 13 years

U11 Field	Under 11 years
U9 Field	Under 9 years
U7 Field	Under 7 years and 5 years old as of January 1 of the playing year
Senior Women's Field	20 years and over
U19 Women's Field	Under 19
U15 Women's Field	Under 15
U12 Women's Field	Under 12
U8 Women's Field	Under 8

All ages are determined as of January 1 of the playing year.

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U11 Field	Under 11 years
U9 Field	Under 9 years
U7 Field	Must be 7 or under and at least 5 years old during the calendar
	year of the start of the season
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U15 Women's Field	Under 15
U12 Women's Field	Under 12
U8 Women's Field	Under 8

All ages are determined as of January 1 of the playing year.

**<u>Rationale</u>**: This is causing confusion and stopping minityke box players from continuing lacrosse in the winter months.

#### Proposed by Trish Keizer, PCFLL Chair

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Under 5 years (strictly introductory and developmental; this will	
be a co-ed division. Players from this age division are not	
permitted to play up to U7	
20 years and over	
Under 19	
Under 15	
Under 12	
Under 8	
All ages are determined as of January 1 of the playing year	
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**<u>Rationale</u>:** To provide an opportunity that introduces children to lacrosse before they join another sport. The PCFLL did this on a trial basis last season, and it was received positively by parents and the coaches involved. Safety of young players is of utmost importance and therefore for risk management purposes U5 can still participate, but not play in a formal game situation with developmentally older players. This will be co-ed to allow young interested female players the opportunity to also participate in a safe environment.

## Proposed by Beth McLucas, BCLA Field Directorate Vice Chair - Youth Field

### Add new REGULATION 1: PLAYING DIVISIONS, 3.02 that would read:

3.02 In Youth U13, U15 and U18 Tier 1 and 2, divisions may be formed and are the required declarations to be used for league and tournament play. In U11 Red, Blue and white divisions may be formed and are required to be used for league and tournament play. In Women's U12, U15 and U19, a Tier 1 and 2 league may be formed and are the required declarations to be used for league and tournament play.

Where an association has two or more Teams in any one-age division Tier, those teams must be equally balanced by calibre and strength, with the exception of Tier1 with local league approval, then to be approved by the Field Directorate. Failure to obtain approval before the start of the season from the local league and Field Directorate will make the teams ineligible for Playdowns and Provincial Championships. In U13 Youth/Women's U12 and above, Tier 1 and 2 divisions shall be recognized by the BCLA for Provincial Championship purposes.

**Rationale:** This allows clubs who have 2 Tier 1 teams the ability to have unbalanced teams in they wish.

### Proposed by Kellie Ohlmann, BCLA Field Directorate Vice Chair - Women's Field

#### **REGULATION 6: FACILITIES, 6.07 currently reads:**

6.07 The U9 and U7 levels may play on a smaller scale field with dimensions consistent with Pinball (Under 9 and Under 7) Lacrosse field dimensions.

#### Amend REGULATION 6: FACILITIES, 6.07 that would read:

- 6.07 (a) Youth U7 and U9 age divisions will play on a smaller scale field with modified dimensions.
  - (b) Women's U8 and U12 age divisions will play on a smaller scale filed with modified dimensions.

**<u>Rationale</u>**: To include the women's divisions in this general regulation of the Field Directorate Operating Policy.

### Proposed by Ryan Nose, BCLOG Vice Chair – Men's Field

#### **REGULATION 7: TOURNAMENTS, 7.04 currently reads:**

7.04 No more than two games per calendar day will be scheduled for each team during tournament play. But teams may play up to three modified or mini games (*two halves only*) during tournament play per calendar day. No player may play in more than the maximum number of games. A copy of the tournament schedule must be submitted to the Field Directorate.

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U7 – 4 x 8 minute quarters U9 – 4 x 10 minute quarters U11/U13/U15/U18/Men's – 4 x 12 minute quarters

**Rationale:** Define what a modified/mini game is for each division.

#### Proposed by Tricia Rachfall, BCLA Field Directorate Secretary

#### **REGULATION 7: TOURNAMENTS, 7.09 currently reads:**

7.09 Where there are two or more teams from one Association in U7 and U9, crisscross of players from one team to another, where it is necessary for entry into a tournament and for tournament play only, will be allowed with permission from the Association's President and League Chair. To have players crisscross laterally, this shall be limited to a maximum of four (4) players per tournament entered. Each player is only able to crisscross over laterally a maximum of one (1) tournament in the season.

#### Amend REGULATION 7: TOURNAMENTS, 7.09 that would read:

7.09 Where there are two or more teams from one Association in *Youth* U7, U9 and *Women U8* crisscross of players from one team to another, where it is necessary for entry into a tournament and for tournament play only, will be allowed with permission from the Association's President and League Chair. To have players crisscross laterally, this shall be limited to a maximum of four (4) players per tournament entered. Each player is only able to crisscross over laterally a maximum of one (1) tournament in the season.

**<u>Rationale</u>**: Housekeeping, only adding Women U8 as this is in general and refers to Youth and Women so Women U8 should be named.

### Add new REGULATION 7: TOURNAMENTS, 7.09 that would read:

7.09 Once a team is fully registered and confirmed by the Tournament Host, "failure to show" at any game by any team registered in a sanctioned tournament will result in a maximum fine of \$500 to the Home Association of said team, subject to extenuating circumstances as accepted by the Field Directorate. Instances of "failure to show" shall be reported to the Field Directorate for a decision as to whether the instance was a valid "failure to show" and if the extenuating circumstances, if any, were warranted.

**<u>Rationale</u>**: There have been a few circumstances where teams have pulled out at a very late date leaving the tournament organizers in a very difficult situation both financially and logistically. This addition is matching the Minor Directorate equivalent policy.

### Renumber - Current 7.09 becomes 7.10, 7.10 becomes 7.11, and 7.11 becomes 7.12

### Proposed by Dirk Rachfall, BCLA Field Directorate Chair

### **REGULATION 12: SUSPENSIONS, 12.10** (a) currently reads:

12.10 (a) A suspended coach may only serve the suspension during games played by the team the coach received the suspension for; however, a coach is suspended from all bench activities until such suspension is served.

### Amend REGULATION 12: SUSPENSIONS, 12.10 (a) that would read:

12.10 (a) A suspended coach may only serve the suspension during games played by the team the coach received the suspension for; however, a coach is suspended from all *BCLA* activities until such suspension is served.

**<u>Rationale</u>**: To clarify and broaden the scope of the suspension of the coach, ie clinics, as clinics are not bench activities. As well, a coach suspended for abuse of an official, should not be eligible to play while suspended

Proposed by Kellie Ohlmann, BCLA Field Directorate Vice Chair - Women's Field

# Remove second paragraph in REGULATION 13: YOUTH PLAYER AND COACH REGISTRATION, 13.05 that would read:

13.05 (a) The Club/Association must submit one copy of each player's BCLA-approved, completed Youth Field registration form and waiver for those players who register manually. Also required is a team list generated from the on-line database and any applicable signed supporting forms (Player Transfers, Playing Down forms) and required fees to the BCLA Office by October 31 of each playing year (Sept-Aug).

Additional Youth Field players may be added up to November 30 upon approval of the League Commissioner and League Executive.

Rationale: Moving registration deadlines to the same regulation number

### **REGULATION 13: YOUTH PLAYER AND COACH REGISTRATION, 13.05 currently reads:**

13.05 (a) The Club/Association must submit one copy of each player's BCLA-approved, completed Youth Field registration form and waiver for those players who register manually. Also required is a team list generated from the on-line database and any applicable signed supporting forms (Player Transfers, Playing Down forms) and required fees to the BCLA Office by October 31 of each playing year (Sept-Aug).

Additional Youth Field players may be added up to November 30 upon approval of the League Commissioner and League Executive.

# Add new paragraph (b) to 13: YOUTH PLAYER AND COACH REGISTRATION, 13.05 that would read:

13.05 (b) Each Association will submit to the BCLA Office, prior to October 31 of each playing year, a team list generated from the on-line database for each team in the Association. One hard copy of each manual registration and waiver form is required with the Team List (it is not necessary to print/submit copies of the on-line registrations). The manual player registration form must be signed by the parent/guardian and the Association Registrar. Failure to comply with said dates will result in the offending Association to be fined \$250.00 and another \$250.00 for each additional seven-day period that the registration forms are not received. For any subsequent paperwork corrections required by the Field Directorate Lacrosse Registrar, this must be submitted by December 1 of the playing year of the Association's team(s) will be unable to declare for Provincials.

**<u>Rationale</u>**: The amount of late registrations and incomplete packages have increased and cause the Field Registrar extraordinary amounts of time following up on incomplete or outstanding documents. Same will be submitted for 36.05 Women's section. This addition matches the Minor Directorate policy

### Proposed by Kellie Ohlmann, BCLA Field Directorate Vice Chair - Women's Field

# Remove "See Regulation 9.05) from REGULATION 13: YOUTH PLAYER AND COACH REGISTRATION, 13.07 (c) that would read:

13.07 (c) No player registrations will be accepted after October 31 without first obtaining the League's approval (*see Regulation 9.05*). The League Commissioner will not be able to approve any registrations after November 30.

Rationale: Moving registration deadlines to the same regulation number

Proposed by Beth McLucas, BCLA Field Directorate Vice Chair - Youth Field

# Add new REGULATION 13.09: YOUTH PLAYER AND COACH REGISTRATION that would read:

13.09 For those players attending a specialized or academy school that is far enough from their principle residence that they must live away from their immediate family and be billeted, will provide proof of school attendance in way of a school transcript. The billeted address will be recorded in the comments section in the registration database if the home address is being used as the address. The player will be placed where the commission feels it would be in the best interest of the league. If the player wishes to move back to his/her original home Association before the November 30 deadline, policy 13.08 will apply.

**<u>Rationale</u>**: With more and more academy programs developing, it is now time to have a policy that governs these players as per Minor Directorate policy 8.10.

**Renumber:** Current 13.09 becomes 13.10 and 13.10 becomes 13.11.

Proposed by Kellie Ohlmann, BCLA Field Directorate Vice Chair - Women's Field

### Add new REGULATION 14: YOUTH MOVES, 14.02 that would read:

14.02 In cases where the player's parents/guardians have joint custody (proof shall be provided in writing to an Association President and Registrar) and the child lives with both parents, residency shall be based on the residence in which the child spends the majority of time. If the custody arrangement is 50/50 and the parents live in different Association boundaries, the child can choose which Association he/she will play with in the first year. In subsequent years, in order to change Associations, both parents must provide a Statutory Declaration which states which parent the child is living with, the address where the child currently resides, and which school the child is attending. At any time, if further confirmation is required to verify school attendance, the parent, upon request, will provide a letter of authorization to the school directing the school to provide the BCLA representative with information as to the address of the player.

Rationale: To clarify the registration for players that reside with both parents, who share joint custody

**Renumber:** 14.02 to 14.03, etc.

Proposed by Tricia Rachfall, BCLA Field Directorate Secretary

### Delete "14.06" from REGULATION 18: YOUTH TEAM DISBANDING 18.02 that would read:

18.02 Associations/teams must resubmit their team declarations if they have received disbanded players after the declaration date (14.06). If an association/team does not resubmit after receiving a disbanded player, it may result in that player being ineligible for Provincials. Timeframe to be determined by the Field Directorate

**<u>Rationale</u>**: Housekeeping to remove references to guideline 14.06 as this is not correct and was not changed after last policy updates.

### Proposed by Kellie Ohlmann, BCLA Field Directorate Vice Chair - Women's Field

### Remove 3<sup>rd</sup> bullet from REGULATION 19: YOUTH COACHES 19.01 that would read:

- 19.01 All leagues are required to have a position of "Coaching Coordinator". This person's role will be responsible:
  - For the liaison between the BCLCG Vice-Chair Men's Field and the respective Association or Club Coaching Coordinators
  - To forward all coaching requirements and/or problems to the BCLCG.
  - To participate in selection of zone coaches for zone "All-Star" teams when required.
  - To ensure all deadlines are adhered to by the Association or Club Coaching Coordinators
  - To act as a member of the Discipline Committee when required.
  - To attend all meetings of the BCLCG.

**<u>Rationale</u>**: Housekeeping to remove reference to All Star Teams.

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## Amend REGULATION 19: YOUTH COACHES 19.01 that would read:

Rationale: Housekeeping to remove reference to All Star Teams

#### Proposed by Ryan Nose, BCLOG Vice Chair - Men's Field

#### **Delete REGULATION 20: YOUTH OFFICIALS 20.05 currently reads:**

20.05 An official shall not referee a sibling, child, parent or immediate relation whether by blood or relationship except in extenuating circumstances and agreed to by both teams. Both coaches must sign the top of the scoresheet to verify agreement prior to the start of the game.

**Rationale:** Already exists in the Officials Section 5.03

#### Proposed by Ryan Nose, BCLOG Vice Chair - Men's Field

#### **REGULATION 21: YOUTH PLAYING RULES 21.04 currently reads:**

21.04 No team or player may be scheduled for, or play in, more than two regulation length games per day, and no more than three mini-games (2 x 25 minute halves) per day. Exceptions for goalies may apply.

#### Amend REGULATION 21: YOUTH PLAYING RULES 21.04 that would read:

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U7 – 4 x 8 minute quarters U9 – 4 x 10 minute quarters U11/U13/U15?u18 – 4 x 12 minute quarters

**Rationale:** To define what a modified or mini game is for the youth

Proposed by Mary Clare, BCLA Field Directorate Vice Chair - Men's Field

**REGULATION 26: SENIOR PLAYER AND COACH REGISTRATION 26.05 (d) currently reads:** 

(d) All players must be registered *on-line* and their registration cards must be into the Field Registrar within forty-eight (48) hours of their first game.

# Amend REGULATION 26: SENIOR PLAYER AND COACH REGISTRATION 26.05 (d) that would read:

(d) All players must be registered and their registration cards must be into the Field Registrar within forty-eight (48) hours of their first game *with a signed waiver and player code of conduct.* 

**<u>Rationale</u>**: Men do not register on-line. Waivers have been in place for several years. Players could use a "prompt" in regard to appropriate behaviour.

Proposed by Mary Clare, BCLA Field Directorate Vice Chair - Men's Field

### **REGULATION 27: SENIOR TEAM SIZE 27.01 currently reads:**

27.01 Minimum of ten (10) registered players per team.

### Amend REGULATION 27: SENIOR TEAM SIZE 27.01 that would read:

27.01 Minimum of ten (10) registered players per team. No team under the jurisdiction of the Vice Chair, Senior Men's Field shall have more than thirty (30) signed players, except with special permission of the Field Directorate.

**<u>Rationale</u>**: Bring it into line with Youth Policy. We have been capping at 30 players for the past few seasons.

#### Proposed by Ryan Nose, BCLOG Vice Chair - Men's Field

#### **Delete REGULATION 30: SENIOR OFFICIALS 30.02 currently reads:**

# 30.02 All associations must ensure that each of their teams has a minimum of three (3) field lacrosse referees, certified for the current playing season available for refereeing hosted games.

**<u>Rationale</u>**: There are no Associations in Senior Men's Field Lacrosse. The League hosts all games and the officials are allocated by the League Allocator.

Proposed by Ryan Nose, BCLOG Vice Chair - Men's Field

#### **REGULATION 31: SENIOR PLAYING RULES 31.02 currently reads:**

31.02 The Field Directorate will instruct member associations they must adhere to the ILF rules, CLA rules and policy, and to the BCLA Field Directorate Operating Policy as written.

#### Amend REGULATION 31: SENIOR PLAYING RULES 31.02 that would read:

31.02 The Field Directorate will instruct member associations they must adhere to the *FIL* rules, CLA rules and policy, and to the BCLA Field Directorate Operating Policy as written.

**Rationale:** Housekeeping ILF is now FIL

### **REGULATION 31: SENIOR PLAYING RULES 31.04 currently reads:**

31.04 No more than two regulation length games per day and no more than three mini-games (2 x 20 minute halves) per day will be scheduled for each team *during tournament play*.

#### Amend REGULATION 31: SENIOR PLAYING RULES 31.04 that would read:

31.04 No more than two regulation length games per day and no more than three mini-games  $(4 \times 12 \text{ minute quarters})$  per day will be scheduled for each team.

**<u>Rationale</u>**: Define a modified or mini game for the Men's Division. Tournaments are covered in Regulation 7.

### Proposed by Mary Clare, BCLA Field Directorate Vice Chair - Men's Field

### **REGULATION 32: SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS 32.12 currently reads:**

32.12 Venue.

It is the responsibility of the Host Association to set dates and places of the Senior Men's Provincial Championships. The date will not be later than the second week in April. The host responsibilities of the Associations, Clubs or Zone to host provincial championships will be declared by the Field Directorate.

#### Amend REGULATION 32: SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS 32.12 that would read:

32.12 Venue.

It is the responsibility of the Host Association to set dates and places of the Senior Men's Provincial Championships. The date will not be later than *April 30*. The host responsibilities of the Associations, Clubs or Zone to host provincial championships will be declared by the Field Directorate.

**<u>Rationale</u>**: Men's Provincials are held over Easter long weekend. Easter doesn't always fall within the current parameters. League has been hosting provincials for last 4 years.

Proposed by Savanna Smith, Vancouver Senior Women's Field

#### **REGULATION 36: WOMEN'S PLAYER AND COACH REGISTRATION, 36.02 currently reads:**

36.02 Registration of the above association and other obligations to the BCLA shall entitle an association to register players with the Field Directorate. The Women's Field season shall be September-August.

# Amend REGULATION 36: WOMEN'S PLAYER AND COACH REGISTRATION, 36.02 that would read:

36.02 Registration of the above association and other obligations to the BCLA shall entitle an association to register players with the Field Directorate. The Women's Field *fall/winter* season shall be September-*February and the Women's Field spring/summer season shall be February*-*August.* 

**<u>Rationale</u>**: There are currently two types of women's field being played in BC. Youth girls field lacrosse and women's. The youth play in the fall and end in February after provincials, where the women's teams play February to August to match with when other areas have women's field lacrosse playing.

Proposed by Tricia Rachfall, BCLA Field Directorate Secretary

# Add (b) to REGULATION 36: WOMEN'S PLAYER AND COACH REGISTRATION 36.05 that would read:

36.05 (b) Each Association will submit to the BCLA Office, prior to October 31 of each playing year, a team lit generated from the on-line database for each team in the Association. One hard copy of each manual registration and waiver form is required with the Team List (it is not necessary to print/submit copies of the on-line registrations). The manual player registration form must be signed by the parent/guardian and the Association Registrar. Failure to comply with said dates will result in the offending Association to be fined \$250.00, and another \$250.00 for each additional seven-day period that the registration forms are not received. For any subsequent paperwork corrections required by the Field Directorate Lacrosse Registrar, this must be submitted by December 1 of the playing year or the Association's team(s) will be unable to declare for Provincial.

**<u>Rationale</u>**: The amount of late registrations and incomplete packages have increased and cause the Field Registrar extraordinary amounts of time following up on incomplete or outstanding documents. Same as 13.05 Youth proposed amendment. This addition matches the Minor Directorate Policy.

Proposed by Kellie Ohlmann, BCLA Field Directorate Vice Chair - Women's Field

# Delete second paragraph of REGULATION 36: WOMEN'S PLAYER AND COACH REGISTRATION 36.05 that would read:

36.05 The Club/Association must submit one copy of each player's BCLA-approved, completed Women's Field registration form and waiver for those players who register manually. Also required is a team list generated from the on-line database and any applicable signed supporting forms (Player Transfers, Playing Down forms) and required fees to the BCLA Office by October 31 of each playing year (Sept-Aug).
Additional Women Field players may be added up to November 30 upon approval of the League Commissioner and League Executive.

**<u>Rationale</u>**: For consistency, to use the same language and regulations that are currently used in the Youth Operating Policy. While amending regulations or wording that pertains only to the Youth game. Moving registration deadlines to the same regulation number.

Proposed by Savanna Smith, Vancouver Senior Women's Field

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**<u>Rationale</u>**: There are two seasons of play and the women play Feb to July; this date does not match our season.

Proposed by Savanna Smith, Vancouver Senior Women's Field

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Additional Women Field players may be added up to November 30 upon approval of the League Commissioner and League Executive.

**<u>Rationale</u>**: Girls play Sept-Feb. That is the fall/winter season of play. The women play Feb-July which is the spring/summer season of play.

Proposed by Kellie Ohlmann, BCLA Field Directorate Vice Chair - Women's Field

# **REGULATION 36: WOMEN'S PLAYER AND COACH REGISTRATION 36.07 currently reads:**

- 36.07 (a) U8 teams must have a minimum number of four (4) registered players; U12 teams must have a minimum number eight (8) players and U15 and U19 teams must have a minimum of ten (10) players by the start of the playing season otherwise, that team will be disallowed from the regular scheduled games.
  - (b) Any team found guilty of playing an unregistered player during a regularly scheduled game shall forfeit all games won during which said player was a participant.
  - (c) Any team may register more players until October 31 of the playing season, and at that time, an updated team list must be sent to the BCLA Office.
  - (d) All players must be registered on-line and their registration cards must be in to the Field Registrar within forty-eight (48) hours of their first game.
  - (e) To register these late players, the association will obtain approval from the League Commissioner. The Association Registrar or the League Registrar will provide an electronic copy of the registration to the Field Directorate Registrar supplying the player's name, address, birthdate, medical number, insurance waiver, and applicable team information. The Field Directorate Registrar will add the player's name to the appropriate team list and update the registration database. Within five (5) days the Association Registrar or the League Registrar will provide to the BCLA Office the original registration forms.

# Amend REGULATION 36: WOMEN'S PLAYER AND COACH REGISTRATION 36.07 that would read:

- 36.07 (a) U8 teams must have a minimum number of four (4) registered players; U12 teams must have a minimum number eight (8) players and U15 and U19 teams must have a minimum of ten (10) players by the start of the playing season otherwise, that team will be disallowed from the regular scheduled games.
  - (b) Any team found guilty of playing an unregistered player during a regularly scheduled game shall forfeit all games won during which said player was a participant. *The home Association will be fined \$250 if a player has played is found to be unregistered, defined as registered in the BCLA player database and all required, completed forms in the hands of the League Registrar (prior to Oct 31 deadline) or BCLA Registrar.*
  - (c) No player registrations will be accepted after October 31 without first obtaining the League's approval. Additional Women Field players may be added up to November 30 upon approval of the League Commissioner and League Executive.
  - (d) All players must be registered on-line and their registration cards must be in to the Field Registrar within forty-eight (48) hours of their first game. *An electronic copy of the registration card must be received by the League Registrar, Field Registrar, and Division Commissioner prior to the player's first game.*
  - (e) To register these late players, the association will obtain approval from the League Commissioner. The Association Registrar or the League Registrar will provide an electronic copy of the registration to the Field Directorate Registrar supplying the player's name, address, birthdate, medical number, insurance waiver, and applicable team information. The Field Directorate Registrar will add the player's name to the appropriate team list and update the registration database. Within five (5) days the Association Registrar or the League Registrar will provide to the BCLA Office the original registration forms.

**<u>Rationale</u>**: For consistency, to use the same language and regulations that are currently used in the Youth Operating Policy. While amending regulations or wording that pertains only to the Youth game. Moving registration deadlines to the same regulation number.

### **REGULATION 36: WOMEN'S PLAYER AND COACH REGISTRATION, 36.08 currently reads:**

36.08 No player may sign with two associations in any year (unless properly released). Exception: A female wishing to play Youth Field Lacrosse and Women's Field Lacrosse may do so within the same playing season, provided they are registered for both disciplines with their home association.

# Amend REGULATION 36: WOMEN'S PLAYER AND COACH REGISTRATION, 36.08 that would read:

36.08 No player may sign with two associations in *the same season of play* (unless properly released). Exception: A female wishing to play Youth Field Lacrosse and Women's Field Lacrosse may do so within the same playing season, provided they are registered for both disciplines with their home association.

**<u>Rationale</u>**: Women play in a different season of play than the minor female lacrosse does. Playing Feb to Aug, and the youth girls playing Sept to Feb. For girls 18 and over they would be allowed to sign up and play in the league without having to get permission from their fall field coach for a different season of play.

Proposed by Beth McLucas, BCLA Field Directorate Vice Chair - Youth Field

Add new REGULATION 36: WOMEN'S PLAYER AND COACH REGISTRATION, 36.09 that would read:

36.09 For those players attending a specialized or academy school that is far enough from their principle residence that they must live away from their immediate family and be billeted, will provide proof of school attendance in way of a school transcript. The billeted address will be recorded in the comments section in the registration database if the home address is being used as the address. The player will be placed where the commission feels it would be in the best interest of the League. If the player wishes to move back to his/her original home Association before the November 30 deadline, Policy 13.08 will apply.

**<u>Rationale</u>**: With more academy programs developing, it is now time to have a policy that governs these players as per Minor Directorate 8.10

Renumber: Current 36.09 becomes 36.10, 36.10 becomes 36.11.

Proposed by Kellie Ohlmann, BCLA Field Directorate Vice Chair - Women's Field

#### **REGULATION 37: WOMEN'S TEAM SIZE currently reads:**

- 37.01 No team under the jurisdiction of the Field Directorate shall have more than twenty (20) signed players except with special permission of the Field Directorate. The Field Directorate shall ratify the exceptions.
- 37.02 The U15 and U19 division teams must have a minimum of ten (10) registered players per team up to eighteen (18) (Rule 5, page 19, FIL Women's Official Rules). The U8 division team must have a minimum of four (4) registered players. The U12 division must have a minimum of eight (8) registered players.

37.03 Associations may not cap or waitlist any player until they have it has reached a roster size of twenty (20).

#### Amend REGULATION 37: WOMEN'S TEAM SIZE that would read:

- 37.01 No team under the jurisdiction of the Field Directorate shall have more than twenty (20) signed players except with special permission of the Field Directorate. The Field Directorate shall ratify the exceptions.
- 37.02 The U15, U19 *and Senior Women's* division teams must have a minimum of ten (10) registered players per team. The U8 division team must have a minimum of four (4) registered players. The U12 division must have a minimum of eight (8) registered players.

All divisions (U8, U12, U15 U19 *and Senior Women's*) may have a game roster of up to eighteen (18) (Rule 5, FIL Women's Official Rules)

37.03 Associations may not cap or waitlist any player until they have it has reached a roster size of twenty (20).

Rationale: To include the Senior Women's division in this regulation, clarify game roster size.

Proposed by Kellie Ohlmann, BCLA Field Directorate Vice Chair - Women's Field

Add new REGULATION 37: WOMEN'S MOVES that would read:

### **REGULATION 37: WOMEN'S MOVES**

All players must sign and play with the associations which administers lacrosse within the boundaries in which that player permanently resides.

- 37.01 Upon request, a parent or legal guardian may be required to provide two (2) of the residency validation documentation below, if requested by the association registrar or the league. All bills must be current. Accepted documentation is:
  - 1. Property tax bill where the primary residency grant has been claimed
  - 2. Hydro Bill
  - 3. Gas Bill
  - 4. Cable or Satellite Bill

If none of the above documents can be provided because the parent/guardian rents and does not pay own utilities, then the following shall apply.

- 1. A letter from the Landlord verifying rental agreement AND
- 2. Driver's License or other Government issued ID with current address
- 37.02 In cases where the player's parents/guardians have joint custody (proof shall be provided in writing to an Association President and Registrar) and the child lives with both parents, residency shall be based on the residence in which the child spends the majority of time. If the custody arrangement is 50/50 and the parents live in different Association boundaries, the child can choose which Association he/she will play with in the first year. In subsequent years, in order to change Associations, both parents must provide a Statutory Declaration which states which parent the child is living with, the address where the child currently resides, and which school the child is attending. At any time, if further confirmation is required to verify school attendance, the parent, upon request, will provide a letter of authorization to the school directing the school to provide the BCLA representative with information as to the address of

#### the player.

- 37.03 If a player does not want to play with the home association, the player must obtain a release from the home association. With the written permission of the player's home association, local league may approve a move to an association other than that in which the player lives. A copy of the release must accompany the team registration form to the Field Registrar and the BCLA office.
- 37.04 If there is a dispute, the League, after receiving a formal written request from the player's parent or guardian, will have the right to place the disputed player to an association where the League feels would be in the best interest of the league and the player.
- 37.05 If the player has played the two previous consecutive seasons with same association as an eligible player (living within that association's home areas or properly released), the player is considered grandfathered with that association and has the option of signing and playing with either his/her home association or the association he/she previously played for.
- 37.06 If an association signs an ineligible player the team of this ineligible player will forfeit all points earned until the player has been correctly registered.
- 37.07 A player who is signed with an association and moves to another area during the playing season must receive permission from the Division Commissioner of his/her new area before he/she is eligible to play with a team in the new area.

If, after the declaration date, the team in which said player will be playing for will be allowed to resubmit their team declaration.

- 37.08 Where no team is available within the players' age group, the player may play for another association with written release from his/her home association and written approval by the local league for the current playing season only. This release may not be counted as a grandfathering year. A copy of the release must accompany the team registration form to the Field Registrar and the BCLA office.
- 37.09 No player may play with two associations in any year unless the requirements of Regulation 14 or 13.08, 36.08 or 37 are satisfied.
- 37.10 If there is a dispute, the League will have the right to place the transferring player to the association where the League and Division Commissioner feel it would be in the best interest of the league and the player.
- 37.11 Neighbouring associations may agree to boundaries that are different from municipal boundaries. A copy of the agreement must be filed with the League and a copy given to the BCLA Office for safekeeping. (This does not disallow any previously established boundaries agreed upon).
- 37.12 Any player found participating in any lacrosse-related activities with a team that the player is not officially registered with will have his/her release request automatically denied.

**<u>Rationale</u>:** For consistency, to use the same language and regulations that are currently used in the Youth Operating Policy. While amending regulations or wording that pertains only to the Youth game. To clarify the registration for players that reside with both parents, who have joint custody.

Proposed by Savanna Smith, Vancouver Senior Women's Field

**REGULATION 38: WOMEN PLAYING UP, 38.01 currently reads:** 

38.01 A player may play up one division or calibre higher than that in which she is registered, with the written permission of lower level coach.

#### Amend REGULATION 38: WOMEN PLAYING UP, 38.01 that would read:

38.01 A player may play up one division or calibre higher than that in which she is registered, with the written permission of lower level coach *within the same season of play*.

**<u>Rationale</u>**: There are two seasons of play for female field lacrosse players. The fall and winter season running Sept to Feb and the spring and summer season running Feb to Aug. During the spring-summer a player of age 18 and older who play U19 in the fall/winter league should be allowed to register to play women's without the signed consent of their fall field lacrosse coach.

Proposed by Savanna Smith, Vancouver Senior Women's Field

# **REGULATION 39:** WOMEN'S MOVEMENT – U19 TO SENIOR, 39.01, 1<sup>st</sup> paragraph currently reads:

39.01 No player qualified to play within the jurisdiction of the U19 Division shall sign a senior player registration form. She may have her registration form transferred to the Vice Chair – Women's Field after the following conditions are met:

# Amend REGULATION 39: WOMEN'S MOVEMENT – U19 TO SENIOR, 39.01, 1<sup>st</sup> paragraph that would read:

39.01 No player qualified to play within the jurisdiction of the U19 Division shall sign a senior player registration form *within the same season of play*. She may have her registration form transferred to the Vice Chair – Women's Field after the following conditions are met:

Letters of agreement to the transfer, from the player, the player's parent/guardian, the player's home association and the Senior team the player wishes to transfer to, along with a letter requesting approval, shall be forwarded to the Field Directorate, and shall notify the appropriate Commissioner.

**<u>Rationale</u>**: A player cannot sign two playing cards in the season. The women's teams play Feb to July with games starting in March. During the second season of play U19 players who are 18 and older should be allowed to sign a women's playing card.

#### Proposed by Savanna Smith, Vancouver Senior Women's Field

#### **REGULATION 39: WOMEN'S MOVEMENT – U19 TO SENIOR, 39.02 currently reads:**

39.02 Notwithstanding the forgoing, a U19 Field player may play up in a higher league with permission of the U19 player's coach, who must notify the Vice Chair of Women's Field. Violation of any of the above shall result in suspension of the player and the coach of the Senior team for whom she played.

#### Amend REGULATION 39: WOMEN'S MOVEMENT – U19 TO SENIOR, 39.02 that would read:

39.02 Notwithstanding the forgoing, a U19 Field player may play up in a higher league with permission of the U19 player's coach *during the same season of play, and the coach must* notify the Vice Chair of Women's Field.

Violation of any of the above shall result in suspension of the player and the coach of the Senior team for whom she played.

**<u>Rationale</u>**: Women's and girls play at two different season currently. Having to ask a coach during the spring and summer who coaches them in the fall does not make sense as that team has finished already.

### Proposed by Kellie Ohlmann, BCLA Field Directorate Vice Chair - Women's Field

### **REGULATION 40: WOMEN'S TEAM DISBANDING, 40.01 currently reads:**

40.01 Proof of a team disbanding shall be written notification to the league chair and the league commissioner. On proof of a team disbanding, players are automatically released. If said team is a member of an organized league, the players shall not join one team, but shall be distributed among the remaining teams of the league, at the discretion of the Division Commissioner, with written confirmation.

#### Amend REGULATION 40: WOMEN'S TEAM DISBANDING, 40.01 that would read:

40.01 Proof of a team disbanding shall be written notification to the league chair and the league commissioner. On proof of a team disbanding, players are automatically released. If said team is a member of an organized league, the players shall not join one team, but shall be distributed among the remaining teams of the league, at the discretion of the Division Commissioner, with written confirmation.

Disbanding of a team means a team disbanding within a playing season, not after league season games are finished.

40.02 Associations/teams must resubmit their team declarations if they have received disbanded players after the declaration date. If an Association/team does not resubmit after receiving a disbanded player, it may result in that player being ineligible for Provincials. Timeframe to be determined by the Field Directorate

**<u>Rationale</u>**: For consistency, to use the same language and regulations that are currently used in the Youth Operating Policy. While amending regulations or wording that pertains only to the Youth game.

Proposed by Kellie Ohlmann, BCLA Field Directorate Vice Chair - Women's Field

## Add new REGULATION 42: WOMEN'S COACHES that would read:

#### **REGULATION 42: WOMEN'S COACHES**

- 42.01 All leagues are required to have a position of "Coaching Coordinator". This person's role will be responsible:
  - For the liaison between the BCLCG Vice-Chair Women's Field and the respective Association or Club Coaching Coordinators
  - To forward all coaching requirements and/or problems to the BCLCG.
  - To ensure all deadlines are adhered to by the Association or Club Coaching Coordinators
  - To act as a member of the Discipline Committee when required.
  - To attend all meetings of the BCLCG.

**<u>Rationale</u>**: For consistency, to use the same language and regulations that are currently used in the Youth Operating Policy. While amending regulations or wording that pertains only to the Youth game. To clarify the registration for players that reside with both parents, who have joint custody.

### Proposed by Kellie Ohlmann, BCLA Field Directorate Vice Chair - Women's Field

#### **REGULATION 42: WOMEN'S PLAYING RULES, currently reads:**

- 42.01 All games shall be played according to the playing rules set down by the Field Directorate, and ratified by the executive, prior to September 1st of the playing year.
- 42.02 The Field Directorate will instruct member associations they must adhere to the FIL rules, CLA rules and policy, and to the BCLA Field Directorate Operating Policy as written.
- 42.03 Where there are two teams from one Association playing in one league, there is to be no crossover of players from one team to another, and back and forth, after October 31 of the playing year. If said infraction occurs after October 31 of the playing year, the player would be eligible for her/his registered team only. Any team found guilty of playing an ineligible player during a regularly scheduled game shall forfeit all games won during which an ineligible player was a participant. Should this occur during provincials, then only the games played in the provincials will be awarded to the opposing side.
- 42.04 In the event of a team defaulting a game, any legitimate expenses incurred as a consequence of the default shall be reimbursed by the defaulting association/club. The expenses will be paid to the non-offending association/club within 30 days of the receipts received.
- 42.05 Rules for Women's Field will be stated in the Field Directorate's Provincial Directive included in the coaches package and may be amended by the Field Directorate if necessary. These rules will be binding upon all play during provincials.
- 42.06 In the event of a defaulted game, the non-offending team shall be awarded a goal and shall be awarded two (2) points in league standings.
- 42.07 All Women's teams must be balanced when in a non-tiered league. When an Association has two or more teams in any one league (U12, U15, or U19) those teams must be equally balanced by calibre and strength. Associations that have two or more teams within a league will have until October31 of the playing year to balance their teams accordingly.
- 42.08 Players within the Women's league may use a crosse which is FIL approved provided the crosse is deemed permissible by the Umpire during the stick-check prior to any league or Provincial game.
- 42.09 With the exception of the goalkeeper, all team members must be dressed uniformly. The goalkeeper's shirt must be the same as her/his team's top and must be worn over her chest and any shoulder/arm pads. The bottom of her/his uniform must be the same predominant colour of her/his team's kilt or shorts, or be a solid dark colour. The goalkeeper must wear a chest or body pad, a helmet with a chin strap that must be fastened, a facemask, and an attached throat protector. The distance that the throat protector hangs from the helmet must be less than the diameter of the ball. In addition to the attached throat protector, a wrap-around type throat protector may be worn. The goalkeeper may wear padded gloves, shoulder/arm pads and leg pads. All padding must fit securely and not increase the width of the goalkeeper's body beyond the thickness of the padding. The maximum thickness of the padding is 3 centimetres (cms). Padded gloves must be tied securely at the cuff and must not have any webbing.

#### Amend REGULATION 42: WOMEN'S PLAYING RULES that would read:

42.01 All games shall be played according to the playing rules set down by the Field Directorate, and ratified by the executive, prior to September 1st of the playing year.

42.02 The Field Directorate will instruct member associations they must adhere to the FIL rules, CLA rules and policy, and to the BCLA Field Directorate Operating Policy as written.

When traveling out of the BCLA governed areas, teams must adhere to host governing rules as well as the BCLA Policies.

42.03 Where there are two teams from one Association playing in one league, there is to be no crossover of players from one team to another, and back and forth, after October 31 of the playing year. If said infraction occurs after October 31 of the playing year, the player would be eligible for her/his registered team only. Any team found guilty of playing an ineligible player during a regularly scheduled game shall forfeit all games won during which an ineligible player was a participant. Should this occur during provincials, then only the games played in the provincials will be awarded to the opposing side.

#### 42.04 Team standing in scheduled leagues shall be determined as follows: -A win shall count for two points All draws or tied games, one point to each team

- **42.05** In the event of a team defaulting a game, any legitimate expenses incurred as a consequence of the default shall be reimbursed by the defaulting association/club. The expenses will be paid to the non-offending association/club within *thirty* (30) days of the receipts received.
- **42.06** No team or player may be scheduled for, or play in, more than two regulation length games per day. Exceptions for goalies may apply.
- **42.07** Rules for Women's Field will be stated in the Field Directorate's Provincial Directive included in the coaches package and may be amended by the Field Directorate if necessary. These rules will be binding upon all play during provincials.
- **42.08** In the event of a defaulted game, the non-offending team shall be awarded a goal and shall be awarded two (2) points in league standings.
- **42.09** All Women's teams must be balanced when in a non-tiered league. When an Association has two or more teams in any one league (U12, U15, or U19) those teams must be equally balanced by calibre and strength. Associations that have two or more teams within a league will have until October 31 of the playing year to balance their teams accordingly.
- **42.10** Players within the Women's league may use a crosse which is FIL approved provided the crosse is deemed permissible by the Umpire during the stick-check prior to any league or Provincial game.
- **42.11** With the exception of the goalkeeper, all team members must be dressed uniformly. The goalkeeper's shirt must be the same as her/his team's top and must be worn over her chest and any shoulder/arm pads. The bottom of her/his uniform must be the same predominant colour of her/his team's kilt or shorts, or be a solid dark colour.

The goalkeeper must wear a chest or body pad, a helmet with a chin strap that must be fastened, a facemask, and an attached throat protector. The distance that the throat protector hangs from the helmet must be less than the diameter of the ball. In addition to the attached throat protector, a wrap-around type throat protector may be worn.

The goalkeeper may wear padded gloves, shoulder/arm pads and leg pads. All padding must fit securely and not increase the width of the goalkeeper's body beyond the thickness of the padding. The maximum thickness of the padding is 3 centimetres (cms). Padded gloves must be tied securely at the cuff and must not have any webbing.

42.12 A game is considered legal and complete if 80% of the playing time has elapsed. 80% of a 4 x 15 minute game is 48 minutes. If an interrupted game (one in which less than 80% of the game has been played) is continued on the same day, it will be restarted from the point of the interruption. A suspended game that is replayed on another day must be replayed from the beginning. To accommodate the time constraints of a tournament, a suspended game that is replayed on another day may be restarted from the point of interruption (FIL Rule 11: Duration of Play).

**<u>Rationale</u>**: For consistency, to use the same language and regulations that are currently used in the Youth Operating Policy. While amending regulations or wording that pertains only to the Youth game. The addition of the definition of a complete game.

Proposed by Savanna Smith, Vancouver Senior Women's Field

### **REGULATION 45: WOMEN'S TIMELINE – FALL AND SPRING SEASONS currently reads:**

#### **REGULATION 45: WOMEN'S TIMELINE – FALL AND SPRING SEASONS**

**<u>NOTE</u>**: Dates that are associated with a specific By-Law or Regulation are reprinted in the timeline as a matter of convenience. They will automatically change if the By-Law or Regulation is changed. Dates not associated with a specific By-Law or regulation will require a motion to change them. If there is a conflict in the dates, then the governing By-Law or Regulation will take precedence over the timeline.

January 1	Date for determining age level of playing year. (General Reg 10, FD 3.01 & 35.01)
February	Women's Provincial Championship/Tournament
April	Field Directorate Special Session (FD 11.01)
July	Women's National Invitational
August 15	Applications to host Women's Field Lacrosse tournaments for upcoming year.
September 1	Deadline for ratification of playing rules (FD 42.01)
October 1	Deadline for coaches Form 100W and fees to BCLA Office or will be subject to fine
	(BCLCG 1.02, 11.03).
October 31	Registration deadline
	Registration cards and fees to BCLA Office (FD 36.04)
	Last date for cross-over players (FD 42.03)

# Amend REGULATION 45: WOMEN'S TIMELINE – FALL AND SPRING SEASONS title to read:

#### **REGULATION 45: WOMEN'S TIMELINE – FALL AND WINTER SESSIONS**

**<u>Rationale</u>**: There are two seasons of play for female field lacrosse in BC. One that the youth are playing that runs Sept to Feb. Then the women's season of play that is spring to summer (Feb-Aug). Changing this regulation to describe the fall season of play is accurate. Where if it is used to describe both seasons of play then the women's teams won't make these deadlines as our season is done by then.

Proposed by Savanna Smith, Vancouver Senior Women's Field

#### Add REGULATION 46: WOMEN'S TIMELINE – SPRING SEASON that would read:

#### **REGULATION 46: WOMEN'S TIMELINE – SPRING SEASON**

<u>NOTE</u>: Dates that are associated with a specific By-Law or Regulation are reprinted in the timeline as a matter of convenience. They will automatically change if the By-Law or Regulation is changed.

Dates not associated with a specific By-Law or regulation will require a motion to change them. If there is a conflict in the dates, then the governing By-Law or Regulation will take precedence over the timeline.

January 1	Date for determining age level of playing year. (General Reg 10, FD 3.01 & 35.01)
March 31	Deadline for coaches Form 100W and fees to BCLA Office or will be subject to fine
	(BCLCG 1.02, 11.03).
April	Field Directorate Special Session (FD 11.01)
April 30	Registration deadline
	Registration cards and fees to BCLA Office (FD 36.04)
	Last date for cross-over players (FD 42.03)

**<u>Rationale</u>**: The women and the youth girls play on two different seasons of play. These dates better reflect the season of play that the women play in and would be more accurate timeline for them to get these items in.

FOLLOWING IS NOT REQUIRED – If the proposed change is passed, then the organizational chart would be changed. It's not a regulation.

Proposed by Savanna Smith, Vancouver Senior Women's Field

# Add a subsection in the Field Directorate Organizational Chart under Field Directorate for Senior Women's Field Lacrosse.

**<u>Rationale</u>**: The female youth and senior women's play by different rules and in different seasons of play. Being the youth playing Sept to Feb, and the women in BC playing Feb to Aug. The co-ed or male field lacrosse has youth and men's separate as they also follow different rules. Items that affect senior women's play are different than what affects the minor and by having them under one umbrella we are limiting what senior women can do.

Proposed by Savanna Smith, Vancouver Senior Women's Field

Add two subsections in the Field Directorate Organizational Chart under Field Directorate – Vice Chair Women's Field with two subsections – 1) Girls lacrosse; 2) Senior Women's lacrosse.

**<u>Rationale</u>**: The female youth and senior women's play by different rules and in different seasons of play. Being the youth playing Sept to Feb, and the women in BC playing Feb to Aug. The co-ed or male field lacrosse has youth and men's separate as they also follow different rules. Items that affect senior women's play are different than what affects the minor and by having them under one umbrella we are limiting what senior women can do.