

## Frequently Asked Questions



### **1) What is the Disney Youth Lacrosse Invitational?**

The Disney Youth Lacrosse Invitational is a combination of a youth lacrosse tournament for boys and girls and Disney entertainment.

### **2) What are the age divisions for the tournament?**

There is one girls division, FC U15 and boys, U11, U13, and U15.

### **3) What is the tournament format?**

Teams will compete in a round robin and to be seeded in single elimination bracket play to determine a winner in each division.

### **4) What is the game format?**

- Each game will be comprised of two 25 minute halves with a running clock (the clock will continue during penalty assessments, out of bounds, substitution and minor injuries. If a player can be safely moved off the field or is able to continue playing the clock will not stop. If a player is injured and must be moved off the field, the clock will stop.
- Half time will be 5 minutes in length.
- One 30 second time out will be allowed per team for each game.
- Games will be scheduled to start promptly on the hour. Five minutes before the hour, officials will call captains and do coin flips to determine choice of goals and possession arrow. Teams will be able to warm up prior to their game in areas provided at the venue. If one of the teams is not ready to play at the start of the hour, the clock will start as if the game has begun.
- Technical Fouls will be 45 seconds (running clock)
- Personal Fouls will be 90 seconds (running clock).
- All fouls will be determined as outlined in the US Men's and US Women's rule book.
- Coaches are responsible for ensuring that all players are equipped by rules of play. Officials will do equipment checks upon request of the head coach. Officials will not conduct random equipment checks. Time will run during equipment checks. No equipment check requests will be honored in the last five minutes of a game. U-13 and U-15 crosses should conform to Federation high school lengths.
- The tournament will provide for table personnel.
- Spectators will be positioned across the field from the teams.

### **5) What rules specific to GIRLS will be used?**

#### **• Start of the Game**

The procedure for the start of the game/draw shall be the same as outlined in Rule 5-1, 5-2 of the US Lacrosse Women's Rules.

#### **• Mercy Rule**

A free position will be taken at the center by the team with fewer goals if a five or more goal differential exists. When this occurs positioning for the draw will apply with the defender standing 4m away at a 45 degree angle and all other players must stand. The player taking the free position may run or pass, but may not shoot until another player has played the ball.

#### **• Start /Stop Play**

All play is started and stopped with the whistle. All players must stop and stand when the whistle blows (to stop play). All may move again when the next whistle blows.

#### **• Scoring**

A goal is scored when the ball passes completely over the goal line and into the goal cage. Scoring must be by an attacker's crosse and not off the body of an attack player. A goal may be scored off the defender's body or crosse.

- **Substitution**

Substitution is unlimited and the substitution procedure should be the same as outlined in Rule 5- 20 and 5-21 of the US Lacrosse Women's Rules, i.e. substitute any time during play, after goals, and at halftime.

- **Fouls**

Fouls shall be the same as those outlined in Rule 6 of the US Lacrosse Women's Rules with the following modifications:

1. **Full Checking, Mandatory red card for any check to the head.**
2. No shooting on free positions, unless using a goalkeeper or modified goal opening

- **Penalties for Fouls**

The penalty for fouls is a free position with all players, including the offender, moving 4m away from the player with the ball. For specifics on major, minor, and goal circle fouls and carding, see Rule 7 in the US Lacrosse Women's Rules.

- **Definition of Terms**

**Closely guarded** - player with the ball has an opponent within a sticks length.

**Free Position** - penalty awarded for a foul. Player who has been fouled gets the ball and all others must move 4m away.

**Indirect Free Position** - no shot on goal may be made until the player with the ball passes the ball to another player.

**Checking** - the check must be in a downward direction and away from the body.

**Pass** - exchange of the ball through the air from one teammate's crosse to another.

**Possession** - a player has the ball in their crosse.

**Position to Check** - player has an opportunity to legally check the stick without fouling.

## 6) What rules specific to Boys will be used?

- In case of a tie, the team that scores first wins. Tournament scorekeepers will note first goal in the scorebook.
- Up to four long poles are allowed on the field. A long pole on face off is also allowed.

## We are following Federation youth rules for U13 and will abide by the following:

- One-handed stick checks are not allowed and a slash penalty will be assessed. High and out of control swings will also earn a slash penalty. U-15 play allows one-handed checks but they must demonstrate accuracy and control. Stick checks should be under control at all times and on the glove or the stick-not on the neck, shoulder, upper arm or back.
- Players may box out and push opponents off the ball unless the official determines there was excessive force. The official will judge if the player was trying to play the ball or trying to knock his opponent over...the deliberate "take out" check (illegal body check).
- Players losing their balance as a result of light contact does not necessarily constitute a take-out check. Don't expect a call every time someone hits the ground. The officials will factor in equal vs. unequal pressure, incidental contact, physical abilities, and do their best on intent (ball vs. man).
- No ten-second or twenty-second advance-the-ball count. Normal four-second goalkeeper count applies.
- Stall warning in effect the last two minutes for the team ahead ("Keep it in!")

## 7) How many trophies will be awarded in each age division?

The first through fourth place teams will receive a trophy and each participant and coach on the first through fourth place teams will receive a tournament medal representing the finish place.

## 8) What is the date to determine the age of participants?

October 5, 2009 is the age cut off date for each division. A player must be under the age of their intended playing division by October 5, 2009.

## 9) Are there locker rooms at the playing fields?

No.

## 10) Will trainers be provided during the event?

Yes trainers will be available before and during games. Each player/ team must provide their own tape. Ice/ heat will be available to treat minor injuries.

## 11) When will I find out what teams I am playing against/ grouped with?

Schedules will be available during team check-in on Saturday.

## 12) What if I cannot attend the team check-in?

Please contact a GET Travel Sports representative via phone or at the guest services desk as soon as possible.

## 13) Is any food and beverage included in the cost of the event?

No, but several of the program hotels include breakfast. Water will be available on the sideline for every participating team.

## 14) Will there be any vendors selling concessions during the event?

Yes. Please check with each vendor for their operating schedule.

**15) How far away is the field from the closet program hotel?**

The Embassy Suites Brea is approximately 3.5 miles from the fields.

**16) How do I register?**

You can register online at [www.gettravel.com/DisneyLacrosse/](http://www.gettravel.com/DisneyLacrosse/) or by calling 888-877-4445 x 129

**17) What is expected of players, coaches and affiliated spectators?**

- All participants are to be respectful of others at all times.
- Practice space may be at a premium between games and any conflicts should be negotiated amicably. Find a share space. Please respect the grounds and facilities at the venue.

**• Medical Services**

The tournament will have the services of an EMT/Training Staff on site. The staff will be located near the tournament headquarters tent in the Vendor Village. If any of your participants are in need of medical attention, send word to the trainer or ask the nearest tournament staffer to assist in getting the medical professionals to your party.

**• Site Policies**

We are utilizing a public school facility. In order to maintain a positive working relationship with the school staff and School District, please observe the following:

**• Hours of Use**

Daylight hours

**• Conduct**

No person shall engage in fighting, riotous, threatening or indecent conduct use any abusive, threatening, profane or indecent language while on school property. Verbal or physical abuse of tournament staff or coaches, players, and spectators associated with the various users will not be permitted. Anyone violating this regulation will be asked to leave the premises immediately.

**• Damage and Clean Up**

The User shall require that all persons it is responsible for (coaches, players, spectators and others) use the fields in a safe, prudent, and responsible manner and only for their usual and intended purpose. The User shall be liable for any damage (other than ordinary wear and tear) resulting to the fields, including pavilions, restrooms, and improvements adjacent to the fields by either the User or the persons it is responsible for supervising. The User shall leave the fields in a clean and orderly condition. All trash shall be disposed of properly and all equipment shall be returned to its designated location.

**• Alcohol**

No persons shall possess or use any alcoholic beverages within school grounds.

**• Drugs**

No persons shall possess or use any illegal drugs within the school boundaries.

**• Pets**

Dogs must be leashed or under the control of the owner. Dogs may not be tethered to trees or school equipment when damage is likely to occur. Pet owners are responsible for clean up after their animal.

**• Parking**

Please park in the designated areas (see site map). Driving or parking on the grass is not allowed.

**• Restrooms**

Restrooms and portable rest rooms will be available on site.

**• Fires**

Fires within the school boundaries are prohibited.

**• Lightning**

Field users should exercise discretion in the presence of lightning and seek shelter in automobiles or nearby buildings.

**• Lost and Found**

The School District is not responsible for personal property that is lost or stolen. A "lost and found" is maintained at the tournament headquarters tent for the duration of the tournament.

For more information please contact:

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