

Crimson Youth Classic

Summer Tournament Format

SCHEDULE:

- 4 Age Brackets: 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021/2022
- Each team will play 5 total games.

Each team will play 5 total games within their age group and division. The top two teams in each group will play for the Crimson Lax Summer Youth Classic Championship.

Team Coordinators are required to **check-in their teams at the registration tent at least 30 minutes prior** to the start of their first game of the day in order to certify that all waivers are signed and the Coach's certification form is signed and turned in.

Games will be played in two 23-minute running time halves with a 2-minute halftime. In between games there will be a 5-minute break to allow teams to exit the field before beginning the next game (Games will **begin** every 55 Minutes)

- For standings purposes: Wins = 3 points, Ties = 1 point and Loses = 0 points
 - The Staff member on the sideline will keep the official score during the game and report the score to the tournament registration tent. Scores reported by that staff member to the registration tent are final!
- Tied games at the end of regulation will be determined by a single three-minute 3 player + a goalie sudden-victory Braveheart situation. If the game is still tied at the conclusion of the four-minute Braveheart, the game ends in a tie.
- Ties in the standings will be determined by
 - Head to head **THEN**
 - Goals Against **THEN**
 - Goals For
- Game Times will be kept centrally and signal the start and end of each half and game with a horn
- **ONLY** Coaches (1 Head Coach and 1 Assistant Coach Only) and Players are allowed on the benches

Game Rules:

High School Federation Rules apply with the following exceptions

- **Failure to Advance:** There will be no twenty or ten second counts for advancing the ball: **NO DELAY** for failing to advance the ball in either the offensive or defensive end
 - The goalie 4 second count during clears will still be in effect
- **BODY CHECKING:**
 - 2020's and 2021/2022's have no body checking at all
 - 2018 and 2019's are allowed to body check but **ONLY** on the player with the ball in possession and under control – any out of control body checks, regardless if they are legal but still considered out of control by the official, will be considered time serving penalties
 - No **Take-Out** checks at any level: when a player lowers his head or shoulder with the force and intent to take out (put on the ground/injure) the other player
- **Long Sticks for 2020's and 2021/2022's:** only 3 long sticks are allowed on the field at any given time for each team - **PROVIDED** that both coaches agree prior to the game

- **Stick Checks:** Controlled one-hand checks are allowed. However, the officials will be directed to call such checks closely, watching for stick control and one-handed activity. Any contact with the head, including brushes with the helmet will be considered slashing, regardless of intent or severity.
- **Withholding:** Any team considered to be withholding on offense may be given a "stalling warning" and required to keep the ball in the offensive box - at all levels
- **Time-Outs:** Each team will be allowed one 60 second Time-Outs per game - however, the game clock will continue to run whether it is an official or team time-out
- **Stick Checks:** There will be no stick checks, as the format is running time and the asking of a stick check would only limit the amount of playing time for the players. It is the coaches' responsibility to certify that each player is playing with the legal equipment at the beginning of the tournament upon registration.
- **PENALTIES:**
 - All timeserving penalties will result in a Fast Break for the opposite team, **NOT** man-down situations. The player committing the foul must exit the field (and can be substituted back in after serving 1 minute on the sideline for technical fouls and 2 minutes for personal fouls...coaches are responsible for keeping track of that time)
 - All midfielders will line up behind the midfield prior to the whistle, with the exception of the Fast-Break Middie that lines up 5 yards in front of the midfield line - ALL players will go on a single whistle
 - Please Note: Man-Down, time serving penalties will be assessed in the case of any serious unsportsmanlike or unnecessary roughness infractions
 - Delayed penalties are blown dead as soon as the ball hits the ground
- **Substitutions:** All Substitutions are on the fly, with the exception of penalties: NO sideline horn substitutions
- **Mercy Rule:** The option of either a "Free Clear" or a Face-Off will be determined by the coach of the team losing by 5 or more goals after an opponent's goal and must be determined before the start of the game in conjunction with the officials
 - All coaches are requested to take appropriate steps to manage the total goals scored by their teams in an overwhelming goal differential situation
- **Bench Areas:** Each coach is requested to ensure that the bench area is picked up and cleaned after each game. Trash cans are available near each sideline - if a can is full or you need a trash bag, please notify the registration tent or the field coordinator for your field
- **RESOLUTION OF PROBLEMS/DISPUTES:**
 - The tournament director (in consultation with the field coordinator and the Head Official) will make all final rulings/decisions on any and all problems or disputes

Game Conduct Policy:

- Any player, coach or parent verbally or otherwise abusing officials, site staff or other players, coaches or parents are subject to removal from the grounds and ejection from the event.
- **ONLY** Coaches (1 Head Coach and 1 Assistant Coach Only) and Players are allowed on the sidelines

Weather Policy:

- The directors of the crimson lax tournaments reserve the right to cancel, shorten or re-schedule tournament games due to inclement weather, poor field conditions (Grass Fields etc.), or player/spectator safety concerns. No refunds will be granted if these actions are necessary
- In the event of a Lightning storm, **ALL** players, coaches and spectators are to return to their own vehicles to take shelter until the storm has passed. For updated information during the storm follow us on Twitter (@CrimsonLax) or contact your club team coach as they will be updated by the on-field coordinators