



MEMORANDUM

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VIA EMAIL

TO: NCAA Divisions I, II, and III Men's Lacrosse Athletic Trainers, Conference Commissioners, Directors of Athletics and Head Coaches.

FROM: Rob Randall, Chair
NCAA Men's Lacrosse Rules Committee

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NCAA Men's Lacrosse Rules Committee.

SUBJECT: NCAA Men's Lacrosse Playing Rules Changes Update.

Below is a link to the men's lacrosse playing rules changes recommended by the NCAA Men's Lacrosse Rules Committee that were approved by the Playing Rules Oversight Panel during a recent teleconference.

[Men's Lacrosse Rules Changes](#)

Although this is a non-rules change year for men's lacrosse, PROP approved three rules changes for men's lacrosse. Two of the changes were to rules that were approved the year prior that had unintended consequences. These two changes are effective for the 2020 season. The other rules change was for health and safety purposes which is effective for goalkeepers by the 2021 season and by the 2022 season for field players.

As a reminder, in September 2018 the men's lacrosse rules committee and PROP approved that rules changes that requires all men's lacrosse institutions to have two visible shot clocks with the ability to set/reset to two different times. Unfortunately, due to an editorial oversight, this change was not incorporated in the 2019 and 2020 rules book but was nevertheless approved.

The committee also wanted to highlight a few important rules topics that will be a point of discussion over the next year as we head into a rules change year based on feedback heard from the membership. These topics include the faceoff, a reset of the shot clock to a time less than 80 seconds if the offense retains possession after a successful shot attempt and video review.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Andy Supergan (asupergan@ncaa.org; 317-917-6081), the staff liaison for the men's lacrosse rules committee.

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