

LACROSSE FIVES (mixed)

2017

AUS Lacrosse Fives competitions are conducted in accordance with the rules of the [Australian Lacrosse Association](#) and its [By-Laws For National Championships and Tournaments](#) except where these differ from AUS sports rules; in which case the latter shall take precedence.

1. Team/squad size

- Minimum registered players – 6
- Maximum registered players – 9
- Maximum cross registrations – 2
- Minimum number of players that can take the field without incurring a forfeit – 4
- Minimum number of women on the field (in mixed games) at any one time – 3

2. Game time/duration

- 2.1. All games will be 2 x 10 minute halves in duration with 5 minutes for half time.
- 2.2. A summary of game time/duration is also available via the [AUS supplement – games time summary](#).

3. Point score

- 3.1. Points for each match shall be awarded as follows;
 - Winning team: 10 points
 - Drawn match: 5 points per team
 - Losing team: 1 point
 - Forfeited team: 0 points
- 3.2. In the event that two or more teams have the same number of points at the completion of the preliminary rounds, the higher placed team(s) will be decided when the first of the following criteria in order, favours one team:
 - a) the win record taking into account only those games in which the teams on equal points have competed against each other.
 - b) the goal difference taking into account only those games in which the teams on equal points competed against each other.
 - c) the fewest goals conceded taking into account only those games in which the teams on equal points competed against each other.
 - d) the goal difference taking into account all games in the preliminary rounds. If not conclusive then -
 - e) the fewest goals conceded taking into account all games in the preliminary rounds.

4. Drawn matches

- 4.1. If preliminary matches are drawn at full time, both teams will be awarded 5 points as per section 3.1. points plus a point for each goal scored as per section 3.1.
- 4.2. If progression or medal matches are drawn at the end of normal time, two extra overtime periods of 2 minutes duration shall be played with a change of ends and immediate re-start after the first period.
- 4.3. The leading team at the end of the second period of extra time shall be declared the winner.
- 4.4. In the event that scores are still tied, a Sudden Victory system of play will occur by teams switching ends with immediate restart for 2 minute periods until a goal is scored. The first scoring team will be declared the winner.

5. Forfeits

- 5.1. Lacrosse 5s is run under the [AUS Guideline – forfeit of competition requirements](#).
- 5.2. A forfeit will be declared 5 minutes after the scheduled start of play where either team is unable to commence play.
- 5.3. The forfeit score is 10 points to nil (0).



- 5.4. For each minute after the advertised start time that a team delays the start the game, a penalty of 1 goal per minute will be awarded to the opposition team who was ready to start at the advertised start time
- 5.5. Should the commencement of a game be delayed due to no fault of either team (as determined by the sport officials, competition management or AUS), the game shall be played in its full duration if possible. If full game duration is not possible, the recommended revised game duration will need to be agreed upon by both teams. If resolution between the teams is not possible then the Competition Manager (or their delegate) will make the final decision regarding match format, which will not be subject to appeal.
- 5.6. In the event of a game being abandoned, the [AUS abandonment guideline](#) will be implemented.

6. Uniform requirements

- 6.1. Each athlete shall wear the uniform of their university. The university shall submit a description of its uniform if requested.
- 6.2. The specific uniform requirements for Lacrosse 5s are as per the national sporting organisation standard with the following AUS uniform requirements:
- Shorts, shirts and socks.
 - Numbering is required on the back.
 - If played indoors, non marking soled shoes preferred. If played on grass, cleated shoes are permitted.
- 6.3. Minimum uniform requirements for AUS events must be met:
- A competitor must not use equipment or wear anything that is dangerous to him/herself or another competitor (including any kind of jewellery)
 - Long or sharp fingernails are to be trimmed short
 - All participating competitors are to be correctly attired in appropriate, matching team uniforms
 - Exceptions may be made for some sports in cold weather, providing permission is granted by the appropriate officials. Additionally, the exceptions will only be granted providing they are the same colour, and the extra clothing does not cover up any identification numbers or colours
 - All numbers on shirts need to be clearly visible, and in a contrasting colour to the dominant colour of the shirt
 - Mouth guards are strongly recommended for all sports where there is a potential for collision. It is compulsory to wear a mouth guard in those sports where it is stated
 - All participants must retain the one number throughout the tournament (if numbered jerseys are used)
 - Numbers on shirts are restricted to one or two digit numbers
 - Players should not take the field of play in any costume or part of a costume. If they do, players will be asked to remove costume items or incur a code of behaviour report

7. Team duties

- 7.1. Team duty requirements for Lacrosse 5s are that one person from each team competing in the current match to assist with timing and scoring
- 7.2. The person fulfilling the team duty requirements can be any competent person associated with that team or university and does not necessarily have to be a player e.g. team manager.
- 7.3. Teams that do not fulfil team duties will be fined as per the [AUS Guideline - forfeit of competition requirements](#).

8. Award ceremonies

- 8.1. Medal ceremonies will be held at the completion of the competition.
- 8.2. Gold, silver and bronze medals will be presented to those teams finishing 1st, 2nd and 3rd in the competition.
- 8.3. Pennants for regional university games events
- Mixed champion

While the highest level of AUS Lacrosse 5s competition is at the Southern University Games, a perpetual trophy will be presented at the closing presentation to the champion team, as winners of the tournament



will install them as de facto national champions. Up until 2016 the trophy was presented to the winner of the national university 5-a-side lacrosse tournament.

Previous rule amendments

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