
2024 ONTARIO LACROSSE “INTER-ZONE-GAME” GUIDELINES

Inter-Zone single games are not part of a team’s approved Zone schedule, that are meant to enhance Zone schedules and encourage participation during the minor box season.

Inter-Zone Games may be scheduled for weekdays or weekends, including holiday weekends, depending on the schedule of the host association and the availability of officials. For officiating assignments and availability, regularly scheduled minor, junior and senior box lacrosse games and tournaments take priority over Inter-Zone Games. Officiating fees are required to be paid at the provincial rate under the current agreement schedule.

Inter-Zone Games may be requested by a hosting association according to the following guidelines:

1. Inter-Zone Games may not be used to serve suspensions, and suspended participants (coaches and players) may not take part in Inter-Zone Games.
2. Inter-Zone requests must be submitted at least fourteen (14) calendar days in advance of the proposed date using [this form](#). Forms which are incomplete will not be approved.
3. Approval of Inter-Zone Games will be issued within five (5) business days from the request submission date. Zone approval is required for both participating teams.
4. As a general rule, U7–U17 teams will be eligible for two (2) Inter-Zone Games for the first ten (10) scheduled Zone Games, and then one (1) Inter-Zone Game for every five (5) Zone games scheduled after.
5. Recovery of costs (floor time, officials, etc.) are to be divided equally between participating teams.
6. Game Sheet Inc. must be used to record Inter-Zone Games. Game outcomes will be included as part of MyLAX rankings and count towards the team’s minimum number of games which are required to be played in order to qualify for Provincial Championship entry.
7. For situations not covered under these guidelines, a determination may be made by the OLA VP Minor in consultation with the host Zone Director and at least one other member of Minor Council.
8. Cancellation of an approved Inter-Zone Game will be subject to a fine of up to \$500.00 to the team who initiates the cancellation, payable to their opponent within 48 hours of decision or prior to the next scheduled game (whichever comes first). The fine amount is determined by the VP Minor.

BLOCKED DATES

- U13A, U15A and U17A teams may not schedule Inter-Zone Games between the first and second weekends of “A” Qualifiers competition without approval of the “A” Qualifiers Coordinator, in addition to the Zone Directors.
- Inter-Zone Games may not be scheduled prior to the fourth Wednesday in April.
- Inter-Zone Games may not be played with less than seven (7) calendar days prior to the team’s first date of Provincial competition.
- Inter-Zone Games take scheduled priority over both EPIC and Team Ontario Lacrosse events where that division is participating.