

**2017 ELLICOTTVILLE LACROSSE FESTIVAL:
SEPTEMBER 22 - SEPTEMBER 24, 2017**

**TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF REGISTRATION & PARTICIPATION
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1. AGREEMENT WITH TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF REGISTRATION:

In completing your registration for, and/or by attending the Ellicottville Lacrosse Festival, you agree to the terms and conditions of the Ellicottville Lacrosse Festival. If you are an individual registering a team, it is your responsibility to ensure that each of your coaches, affiliates, players, and their families are aware of, and abide by these Terms and Conditions, to include the rules and regulations governing play, player eligibility, tournament and community facilities, and participant behavior, both on and off the field. Violation of the aforementioned regulations may result in the disqualification of your team and/or player(s).

2. ELF CODE OF CONDUCT & RHINO LACROSSE

By choosing to register for and/or attend the Ellicottville Lacrosse Festival, you agree to abide by the Rhino Lacrosse Code of Conduct posted on the registration website. Further, you regard in earnest, Rhino Lacrosse. Rhino Lacrosse embodies the virtues that we as an organization, and a contributing member of the lacrosse community, hold with the utmost regard and importance. **RESPECT:** People and property; Yourself; Your team; Your opponent; Your staff/officials; Your venue; Your host community; Those who came before you; Respect the game and its legacy. **COMPETITION.** Succeed to your greatest potential, as individuals and as teams, on and off the field, in lacrosse, and in life. Compete fairly and with sportsmanship, to advance the best interest of the game and the greater community. **CAMARADERIE.** Appreciate the tremendous and vibrant community of which you are a member; build relationships for life; enjoy good times and great people, in special places.

By registering for and/or attending the Ellicottville Lacrosse Festival, you agree to behave, and encourage others to behave in accordance with the Rhino Lacrosse Code of Conduct.

3. REGISTRATION TERMS & PAYMENT SCHEDULE

By registering, you grant permission for ELF to post your team name on the tournament website.

Registration will be on a first come, first served basis. The only way to secure your team's placement in the tournament is to complete the online registration process and submit the full tournament payment. If all available spots are filled, teams will be placed on a waitlist and accepted into the tournament if spots become available. *Note that a \$500 non-refundable deposit is required upon initial registration, and on September 1, 2017, your team(s) balance will be charged to the credit card with which you registered.* After September 1, 2017, all registration payments will be non-refundable unless a replacement team can be found. All cancelled entries, at any time following initial registration, are

subject to a \$500 administrative fee. Failure to meet any payment due dates will constitute non-acceptance of the tournament invitation, and a forfeiture of the tournament spot, which will be offered to another team.

Division(s)	Fee	Deposit \$	Deposit Due	Balance Due
3 rd & 4 th Grade	\$750	\$ 500	Upon Registration	Sept 1, 2017
5 th & 6 th Grade	\$750	\$ 500	Upon Registration	Sept 1, 2017
7 th & 8 th Grade	\$900	\$ 500	Upon Registration	Sept 1, 2017
High School JV	\$900	\$ 500	Upon Registration	Sept 1, 2017
High School	\$900	\$ 500	Upon Registration	Sept 1, 2017
Men's Open (21+)	\$1,100	\$ 500	Upon Registration	Sept 1, 2017
Men's Masters (30+)	\$1,100	\$ 500	Upon Registration	Sept 1, 2017
Men's Masters II (40+)	\$1,100	\$ 500	Upon Registration	Sept 1, 2017
Men's Masters III (50+)	\$1,100	\$ 500	Upon Registration	Sept 1, 2017

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4. COMPETITION OVERVIEW, HAZARDOUS WEATHER, AND REAL-TIME DECISION-MAKING

Rhino Lacrosse will use its best efforts to ensure that each registered team plays the number of games established in the tournament schedule. In the best interests of participant safety and the tournament facilities, Rhino Lacrosse reserves the right to postpone or cancel games due to inclement weather. In the event that a team does not appear for a scheduled game, tournament staff will assist in trying to arrange a replacement game, but cannot reasonably guarantee that a replacement game will be provided. Teams that do not show up for scheduled games will be subject to disqualification from current and/or future tournaments.

In the interest of ensuring participant safety and the appropriate use of the facilities, ELF and Rhino Lacrosse reserve the right to postpone, cancel, or shorten games due to inclement weather, especially lightning. If lightning or other hazardous weather is detected, the following mandatory procedures will be implemented:

- A horn will sound three short blasts to indicate the need for all participants to evacuate the playing fields and return to their vehicles for approximately 30 minutes from when the last lightning or other hazardous condition is detected;
- Tents and equipment can be left at the fields until the storm delay is completed;
- Once the storm clears, five short horn blasts will denote 15 minutes until resumption of play;
- If the evacuation occurs during the first half of a game, the teams will return to play the second half of the game and the entire schedule will be delayed by the duration of the delay;
- If the evacuation occurs during the second half of a game, that game may be terminated and the score at the time that play was suspended will be the final score; the next round of games will be played when play resumes and the remaining schedule will be played on a delayed basis in its entirety.

Please be advised that for all issues affecting game play (ex. field/goal conditions, schedules, seeding/reseeding, playoffs, weather-related play halts/restarts, etc.), official information and decisions can only be obtained from tournament Directors, who are located at the tournament headquarters. Please do not request or expect formal information from scorekeepers, referees, groundskeepers, or security personnel. In addition to being available at headquarters, Directors will utilize the tournament website, using email/mobile phones in an emergency, to communicate information pertinent to game play. However, it is ultimately the team's on-site representative's responsibility to seek out and obtain correct and timely information that affects their team's play from tournament Directors. *This signifies the need for teams to FULLY complete the registration process, to include contact information for on-site team representatives. As stated above, in the event of weather delay, we will use our best efforts to ensure that all games are played.*

5. FACILITY RULES

All attendees (coaches, players, and spectators) are required to abide by the Ellicottville Lacrosse Festival Facility Rules, as posted on the website, and/or as indicated on site by tournament staff, officials,

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There will be zero tolerance of behavior that is inconsistent with the Ellicottville Lacrosse Festival Terms and Conditions, the Rhino Lacrosse Code of Conduct, or the tournament facility rules. Rhino Lacrosse reserves the right to expel any violating parties from the event and its sites.

6. PROOF OF AGE & ELIGIBILITY

Rhino Lacrosse values honesty and trust among its participants and will largely rely upon the honorable behavior of participating teams with regard to the eligibility of its players. All players are responsible for having valid proof of age on hand. Teams and players violating divisional age requirements are subject to forfeiture and disqualification.

7. ONLINE REGISTRATION & ROSTERS & WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY

All team registration is paperless and must be completed online, including payment of the tournament entry fee. **Once a team is registered, all players must individually register online.** Player registration instructions will be provided. In registering for the tournament, the team coach/manager/representative agrees to comply with all terms, to include the requirement that each player individually register online. During this process, each player will complete and electronically sign the tournament waiver and medical release. **Note that the roster for each team will be automatically developed based on individual player registrations.** *No player will be permitted to participate without completion of the registration process.*

8. ON-SITE TEAM CHECK-IN

All teams are required to check in upon arrival with tournament headquarters. *Any team that does not check-in with HQ, and verify their roster, prior to their first game, is subject to forfeiture of any/all games played prior to checking in.*

Should there be players in attendance who did NOT complete the online registration process, they MUST register onsite, to include completion of the tournament waiver and medical release.

ELF relies on the responsibility of each team's coach/manager/representative to complete their roster to the most accurate degree possible. ELF is not responsible for teams and/or players who do not comply with this process.

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10. PLAYING ON MORE THAN ONE TEAM

For the sake of competition, and the experience of all attending teams, teams are required to fulfill their commitment to field a team for every scheduled game in the tournament. Should a player choose to play on more than one team, and should a coach accept a player who is committed to more than one team, the following rules apply:

- No player is permitted to play for more than one team in any single age division, without explicit approval from ELF, in advance of the tournament.
- Though not encouraged, players may play in multiple age divisions, so long as they are age eligible for each division they play in. This does not permit a player to play in multiple levels (i.e. Gold and Silver) within the same age division.
- Should a player choose to “double roster”, they must appear on both rosters from the beginning of the tournament.
- Teams that are dependent upon players who are playing in multiple divisions are strongly discouraged; ELF is not responsible for schedule conflicts caused as a result.
- Teams who do not fulfill their commitment to field a team for every scheduled game, are subject to forfeiture of invitation to next year's tournament.

11. ELF PROPRIETARY RIGHTS

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13. PUBLICITY RELEASE: I understand that Rhino Lacrosse retains the right to use for publicity and advertising purposes, photographs of participants taken during hosted tournaments and events.

14. ELLICOTTVILLE LACROSSE FESTIVAL PARTICIPANT WAIVER & RELEASE OF LIABILITY

I am choosing to participate in a Rhino Lacrosse (RHINO) Event. I understand that lacrosse is a strenuous, fast-paced game involving physical contact with inherent dangers, and when played within the bounds of the rules, can result in serious injury, paralysis and even death. I assume all the risks of such injury and even death, inherent in the game of lacrosse. I will inspect the fields that I will play, coach, and/or spectate on, and confirm them to be in such a condition that there are no dangers visible to me; if I do see dangerous conditions on the field, I will notify Event organizers immediately.

I acknowledge and recognize that Rhino Lacrosse, the entity that sponsors the Event, do not and cannot control the conduct of players and that their conduct is controlled to the extent of the rules of the game by the discretionary calls of lacrosse officials. I also acknowledge that there are dangers inherent in spectating and being present at the Event site. Lacrosse balls can travel at speeds in excess of 100 mph and cannot be confined to the fields. I assume the risk of injury from being struck by lacrosse balls. I also understand that players do not and sometimes cannot stop running or avoid being pushed outside of the lines of the field of play. I have been told and I recognize that it is dangerous to sit or stand within five (5) yards of the sideline of any field and in areas designated and marked as off limits. I agree not to sit or stand within five (5) yards of the sideline of any field or in any areas designated and marked as off limits except when I am playing or preparing to play. While spectating, I agree not to sit or stand within five (5) yards of the sideline of any field or area designated or marked as off limits.

I represent that I am outfitted with equipment that meets NCAA and/or USL specifications as it is relevant to play, i.e., helmet, gloves, arm pads, goggles, and that I am aware that there are greater dangers if I do not use such equipment. I assume all risk associated with not using such equipment.

Rhino makes every effort, both in preparation and on-site, to consider the general safety of Event venues and its attendees. There are inherent risks associated with attending a sporting event; attendees (to include spectators and players' family members) agree to be present and spectate at their own risk. Should the Event offer transport shuttles, or other amenities, attendees understand that shuttles are an optional courtesy convenience; utilization is at-will, and to be exercised at passengers' own risk.

I agree to advise any family member or guest who accompanies me to the Event about the dangers of spectating or being present on the grounds and that it is important that they be extra vigilant about the above dangers and take precaution. I recognize that the Event organizers will rely upon my agreement to do so.

I further understand that it is recommended that I consult with a physician prior to participating in physical activity such as lacrosse. I do hereby declare myself to be physically sound and suffering from no condition, impairment, disease, infirmity, or other illness that would prevent or impair my participation in any of the activities of the RHINO Event. I do hereby acknowledge that I have been informed that a physician's approval prior to my voluntary participation in the Event is recommended. I acknowledge that I have either had a physical examination and have been given my physician's permission to participate, or that I have decided to participate without the approval of my physician, and do hereby assume all responsibility for my actions and physical conditions arising from any participation in the RHINO Event.

I assume all risks and on behalf of myself and my heirs and assigns waive, release and forever discharge Rhino Lacrosse and its officers, shareholders, agents, employees, contractors, affiliates, sponsors, volunteers, representatives and all others associated therewith from any and all responsibilities or liability for injuries or damages resulting from my participation in and/or attendance at the RHINO Event, including, but not limited to, the games, my preparation for the games, spectating, being present at any meetings and social events, and agree not to sue them.

I agree to indemnify and defend the releases and hold them harmless from any and all claims, suits, causes of action and damages of any kind caused by, or resulting or arising from, my participation in or attendance at the Event, including, but not limited to, damages to the property of, or injury or death to, the releasees, the undersigned or anyone else.

I hereby give my consent to Rhino Lacrosse to provide, through a training staff of its choice, customary athletic training attention, as well as arranging for transportation to medical facilities/hospitals and/or emergency medical services as the training staff deems warranted in the course of my participation in the RHINO Event.

I have read and agree to all terms of the event, to include the Rhino Lacrosse Code of Conduct, especially with regard to my responsibilities as a participant. My signature certifies that I understand and accept the conditions required for the Rhino Lacrosse Event.