
2025 ONTARIO LACROSSE “INTER-ZONE-GAME” GUIDELINES

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

Inter-Zone games may be scheduled for weekends, including holiday weekends, or weekdays depending on the schedule of the host Association and availability of officials. For officiating assignments/availability, please note that regularly scheduled Tournaments, Minor, Junior, and Senior box games 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 only by the Host Association Scheduler or Rep Director according to the following guidelines.

1. Inter-Zone games may not be used to serve any suspensions. Suspended participants (bench staff or players) may not take part in Inter-Zone games, but still must serve their suspensions in regularly scheduled games.
2. Inter-Zone requests must be submitted at least 14 calendar days in advance of the proposed date using [this form](#). Incomplete forms, including a missing team designation (ie. Team 1 or Team 2), will not be approved.
3. Approval of Inter-Zone requests will be issued within five business days from the request submission date. Zone approval is required for both participating teams. Jotform will acknowledge submission of the request. Submission of the form does not constitute an approval.
4. As a general rule, Minor Box U7-U17 teams will be eligible for two Inter-Zone or Fun Day games for the first ten scheduled Zone games, and then one Inter-Zone or Fun Day game for every five scheduled Zone games after that. Zone Schedulers, in consultation with their Zone Directors, will identify individual teams facing scheduling challenges within each Zone. A list of those teams will be provided by each Zone to the OLA VP Minor by May 1st for consideration.
5. Girls Box teams should be included in Zone schedules, and in consultation with the Girls Box Coordinator, Zone Directors and VP Minor, additional games may be scheduled to build a full season schedule. Minor Box U22 teams should be included in Zone schedules, and in consultation with the U22 Coordinator, Zone Directors and VP Minor, additional games may be scheduled to build a full season schedule.
6. Recovery of any costs (floor time, officials etc) will be divided equally between the participating teams.
7. GameSheet Inc must be used to record all Inter-Zone Games. Inter-Zone games will be included in MyLax rankings, and will count towards number of games required to qualify for Provincial Championship entry.
8. For situations not covered under these guidelines, a determination will be made by the OLA VP Minor in consultation with the Invitational Tournament Committee.
9. Cancellation or rescheduling of an approved Inter-Zone game may only be made by the Club Scheduler or Rep Director, according to the following schedule:
 - a. Cancellation or rescheduling of an approved game more than seven calendar days in advance of game will be subject to a fine of \$100.00 to the club requesting the adjustment.
 - b. Cancellation or rescheduling of an approved game less than seven calendar days in advance of approved game of a will be subject to a fine of up to \$500.00 to the club requesting the adjustment.
 - c. 50% of any fine will be payable to the opponent within 48 hours of the decision or prior to the next game, and the remaining 50% of the fine will be payable to Ontario Lacrosse. In all cases, the fine amount will be determined by VP Minor in consultation with the host Zone Director.

BLOCKED DATES

- U13A, U15A and U17A teams participating in the “A” Qualifiers may not schedule or participate in any Inter-Zone games between Qualifier weekends or the “A” Final Six.
- Inter-Zone games may not be scheduled prior to April 15th or after July 27, 2025.
- Inter-Zone games scheduled take priority over both EPIC and Team Ontario Lacrosse events where that division is participating.