

ALBERTA LACROSSE ASSOCIATION - SCHOOL LACROSSE MEMBERSHIP POLICY

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1. Purpose

- 1.1. The ALA Bylaws provide for membership for the possibility of membership for “Any Amateur lacrosse team within the bounds of the ALA where it is not a member of a club;”.
- 1.2. Within Alberta there are various school programs that players that are otherwise participating in ALA programming are also taking part in. These programs provide an alternate outlet for ALA members to participate in lacrosse that are not typically offered by ALA. There is value in ALA members being able to participate in these school programs.
- 1.3. Other provinces have school programs of various types that are sanctioned or governed by the applicable Lacrosse Canada Member Association (LC MA). These programs in other provinces are required to only participate in activities with school programs that are sanctioned or governed by other LC MAs. The ALA is the LC MA for the Province of Alberta. There would be additional value in players associated with the ALA being able to engage in competitive activities with players from other LC MAs.

2. Membership Requirements

- 2.1. The ALA will grant membership to a school program (the applicant) that meets the following requirements:
 - 2.1.1. The applicant operates a lacrosse team that does not operate lacrosse programming that competes against ALA member regular season programming.
 - 2.1.2. The applicant’s players are all members of the ALA (or players in ALA members) through other programming
 - 2.1.3. The applicant carries its own liability insurance with at least \$5 million in coverage which names the ALA as an additional insured.

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- 2.2. The applicant must provide proof or assurance of all of the above conditions as part of its application for membership. The ALA may request further or other information or assurance of these items before granting any membership.

3. Terms of Membership

- 3.1. School program members will operate under the ALA on the following conditions:
 - 3.1.1. The applicant will not operate any programming that competes with or interferes with the ALA's members regular season programming.
 - 3.1.2. The applicant will comply with the ALA's Code of Conduct as set out in ALA Bylaw 10.01.2.
 - 3.1.3. The applicant will operate in a manner that complies with the ALA's policies related to the protection of the safety of athletes and ethical conduct. This may be complied with through its own regulations and policies that ensure athlete safety and dignity.
 - 3.1.4. The applicant will not be required to comply with the ALA's game play regulations, but must only take part in competitions that are governed by rules of play approved by Lacrosse Canada, a Lacrosse Canada MA, World Lacrosse or a World Lacrosse member organization.
 - 3.1.5. The applicant will provide the ALA with 30 days notice of all competitions that it is engaged in within Canada.
 - 3.1.6. Due to the special nature of a school membership, including that the ALA will exercise no oversight or governance particularly in relation to the applicant's potential activities outside of Canada, the applicant will not seek any recourse or compensation from or against the ALA, including its employees, directors, officers, members and insurers, for any act or incident that does not arise out of the neglect or wrongful conduct of the ALA. The applicant will ensure that any of its players and participants are not permitted to seek recourse against the ALA on the same terms.
 - 3.1.7. The applicant will not be a Voting Member under ALA Bylaw 1.05(42).
 - 3.1.8. The applicant will be responsible to provide the ALA with proof that its non-profit filings are up to date, that it has the requisite insurance and pay a fee equal to the annual ALA membership fee for all the executives or directors of a member on an annual basis.

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- 3.2. The ALA reserves the right to revoke the membership of a school member if it is in breach of any of the above requirements.
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