Lacrosse PEI Provincial Team Selection Policy

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Safe Sport Statement

All members in good standing with Lacrosse PEI and who meet eligibility requirements (explained below) are eligible to try out for this team. Any member trying out is entitled to a

positive sport experience that celebrates diversity, inclusion and equity. No participant, at any point in time, should be made to feel like they are not welcomed or unsafe as part of the selection process. This includes all members of the coaching staff, selection staff, athletes and their families. All participants must abide by a safe sport approach and if there is a time where anyone feels unsafe or unwelcomed, it should be immediately brought to the attention of the coaching staff or Lacrosse PEI at executivedirector.lacrossepei@gmail.com

True Sport Statement

The coaching and selection staff have built this policy on the principles of True Sport and believe in the

seven key messages of True Sport. Those principle can be found at www.truesport.ca All participants

and their families are encouraged to read these principles and make sure they are following them

throughout the entire selection process.

Key Definitions

<u>Lacrosse Canada</u> - National Sport Organization (NSO) responsible for the overall administration of Lacrosse in Canada and who works with the provincial minor lacrosse associations to develop guidelines for national championships.

<u>Lacrosse PEI</u> - Provincial Sport Organization (PSO) whose role it is to select the coaching staff to lead PEI's participation in regional tournaments and national championships. Lacrosse PEI also provides information and support to the PEI Box Lacrosse Provincial teams.

<u>Coaching Staff</u> - The coaches who Lacrosse PEI have selected to guide Lacrosse PEI's participation at regional tournaments and national championships. The coaching staff must observe all certification and requirements as laid out by LPEI and Lacrosse Canada.

<u>Team Selection Committee</u> - The group Lacrosse PEI has given the authority to develop the selection policy, process and will eventually make the decision on who will be selected as Lacrosse PEI representatives on the LPEI provincial teams. This committee will be made up from the members of the coaching staff and up to three (3) independent assessors.

1.0 Lacrosse PEI Provincial Team Technical Guidelines

The following items listed in the Box Lacrosse technical guidelines must be observed as part of the selection process:

- The total team size for all PEI provincial Box Lacrosse team must be 20 players or less.
- The 2024 age groups for players in the upcoming season and equivalent national championship titles are as follows:
- U17 (Male) birth years 2008 and 2009 Tackaberry Trophy (Regina, SK Aug 14-19)
- U17 (Female) birth years 2008 and 2009 Dorothy Robertson's Trophy (Regina, SK Aug 14-19)
- U15 (Co-ed) birth years 2010 and 2011 The Commissioner's Trophy (Regina, SK Aug 14-19)
- U13 (Co-ed) birth years 2012 and 2013 Regional Tournaments
- U11 (Co-ed) birth years 2014 and 2015 Regional Tournaments
- At the discretion of the coaching staff and LPEI selection committee, underage players may be utilized by older teams.

- All teams may be advertised as co-ed and consist of male and female players.
- All players must be registered and "Participate" in the 2024 LPEI box lacrosse regular season to be eligible. "Participate" as defined as attending a minimum of 50% of the regular season practices and games.
- All players must be full time residents of PEI.

Teams participating at the 2024 Lacrosse Canada National Box Lacrosse Championships.

2.0 Criteria for Team Selection

The selection committee for the PEI Provincial Box Lacrosse Teams will be responsible for carrying out the selection procedure as laid out in this document. The goal of the committee is to select the players to the team based on a fair, organized and detailed process that will allow the committee to carefully evaluate the player's ability and how that ability fits into the style of play the team staff wishes to implement.

3.0 Selection Process & Cost

A. Registration

The registration date to be considered for the PEI Provincial Box Lacrosse team is the end of the day April 14th. Prior to this date information has been circulated to the Lacrosse PEI membership via email to Lacrosse PEI membership based and social media accounts with the purpose of making sure that anyone who is interested in being considered was aware of the opportunity. Any athlete wishing to register after the April 14th date will need to submit a formal request for review by the team selection committee. Each request will be approved or denied on a case-by-case basis.

An initial "Zoom" information session will be scheduled to provide interested players and families with

information on the program.

Assessment Time period – Mar 7th – April 14th Tryout Time Period – April 15th to April 30th.

The assessment period will consist of 6 weeks of "On Floor" lacrosse skills and game play observation. (Once per week).

The tryout period will consist of 3 on floor sessions where players must attend a minimum Two (2) of the Three (3) offered.

B. Cost

Box Lacrosse Provincial team assessments and tryouts will cost \$60.

C. Selecting 20 players.

After the registered participants have completed the on-floor assessments, the selection committee will meet to determine the successful athletes. The athletes will be advised of the results of the final roster by May 1st, 2024. The final roster will not include any Affiliated Players (practice players).

D. Injuries

Any athlete dealing with an injury and who can't participate in the scheduled assessments must advise the coaching staff of their situation. No athlete should feel like they must push through an injury to participate in these assessments. If there is a case where an athlete is not able to participate due to injury, their past playing history will be taken into consideration. This could include information known by the selection committee or by reaching out to their previous coach(es) for some additional information.

4.0 Feedback and Follow up

Following the assessment process, athletes may receive feedback at their request from the Team Staff.

5.0 Appeals

Any appeal of a decision against the selection committee in terms of player selection will be done in accordance with Lacrosse PEI Appeals Policy. **The appeal must be made based on a lack of adherence in following the selection policy** as described above for it to be heard.

The coaching staff and selection committee acknowledge that tryouts can be a stressful time for many

Athletes. Our commitment is to use this process to select the best possible team to represent PEI at the 2024 Lacrosse Canada Box lacrosse national championships and regional tournaments.

Thank you

2024 PEI Provincial Box Lacrosse Team Selection Committee