Lacrosse, Boys

A. **Suspended Games: Regular Season and Section Tournaments** - Once a contest has begun either the officials or Tournament Manager may suspend a contest and cannot be overruled by the other party. When in doubt err on the side of safety. If it is determined that play cannot be resumed at the end of the suspension, and three (3) periods of play have been completed, it shall be considered a complete game with a winner determined. If a game is suspended before the completion of the first three (3) periods, or if it is tied at the point of suspension, the game shall be continued from the point of interruption.

**REGULATION GAMES IN STATE TOURNAMENT CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND GAMES**
(Quarterfinals, Semifinals, and Championship)

Duration of Play: 48 minutes (4 periods of 12 minutes) of play must be completed unless:

1. The twelve (12) goal rule is in effect (Running Time)
2. Overtime procedure is in effect because of a tie score

If 48 minutes of play cannot be completed due to darkness, weather or other causes, the game will be suspended/interrupted, as defined in the NFHS Boys Lacrosse Rule Book. A suspended/interrupted game will be restarted from the point of interruption. The Tournament Director, with agreement of the Faculty Representatives from each school (as identified in Bylaw 409.1), may terminate a regulation game (as identified in the most current NFHS Boys’ Lacrosse Rule Book as modified by the MSHSL Board of Directors).

B. **Doubleheaders:** It is conceivable that under some conditions, such as power failure, the first game of a doubleheader may be suspended with a winner determined and, if conditions change, the second game of the doubleheader may be played in its entirety. Every effort should be made to play each game in its entirety. If lightning, game must be suspended. See Rules and Policies Manual-Lightning/Threatening Weather.

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