TO: Women’s Lacrosse Head Coaches and Officials.
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SUBJECT: 2011 Season Reminders.

Included in this memorandum are several rules and procedure reminders that officials and coaches should pay particular attention to as the season continues.

1. **New carding form**: A [new carding form](#) is being used this season. This form and instructions on how to report information was sent to all head coaches on February 16, 2011. The form is embedded in this memo, and it is available on both the NCAA and US Lacrosse web sites. Please be sure that this form is being used at all games, and that information is reported using the survey link provided. If forms have already been faxed there is no need to submit the information again.

2. **Carding procedures**: The carding rules for NCAA and US Lacrosse are different this year. Officials working NCAA games should be sure to review the NCAA carding policies and rules. A player receiving two yellow cards in a game will not sit out the next game. A team receiving its third card will not play short for the remainder of the game. If a coach receives a card a player will not be removed from the field, and a player will be put 4m behind on any subsequent free position. Please be sure to review Rule 7, Sect. 31 on what to do if a player enters the game before her penalty time is up.

3. **Field markings and set up**: Coaches, please be sure your field is set up and marked correctly for each game, including corner cones/flags and a marked/lined substitution area. Cones should not be used on the sideline to mark the area. Cones to mark the back end of the substitution area are not required but can be used if available. Umpires, please do not ask or require that any other lines or markings be added to the field other than what is specified in the rule book.
4. **Legal sticks:** Coaches should be familiar with the list of legal sticks available on the US Lacrosse web site. Until a stick receives a passing test and is added to this list it is not considered to be a legal stick.

5. **Shooting strings:** Please review Appendix E, Sect. 24. All sticks must now be in compliance with the shooting string specifications. Two pictures are included here – one shows an illegally strung stick, the other a stick that is legally strung.

Thank you in advance for your attention to these items. Any questions should be directed to Pat Dillon at pdillon656@aol.com.

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