

FOOTWEAR

There are three surfaces that will be played upon in this tournament: grass (Fields 3, 4, 5, & 6), field turf (Reese Stadium), and Astro turf (Johnson Field). Most teams will play on all three at one point in the tournament. Please tell your players to bring both **CLEATS & SNEAKERS/TURF SHOES. No one will be permitted to wear cleats on Johnson Field.** Any type of shoe is allowed on Reese, most of our players wear cleats or a very aggressive turf shoe. Cleats will be the best type of shoe on all of the grass fields.

DIRECTIONS

Please follow directions to the Yale Bowl. Directions from the website are below. The link is <http://yalebulldogs.cstv.com/directions/dirbowl.html>.

Yale Bowl

From Merritt and Wilbur Cross Parkways:

Take Exit 57 (Route 34 East) directly to the Yale Fields, or take Exit 59 (Whalley Avenue) and follow Yale Bowl Signs to the Yale Fields.

From I-95:

Take Eastbound Exit 44 or Westbound Exit 45 to Route 10 and follow Yale Bowl signs. Or, take Exit 47 (Downtown) and follow Route 34 to the Yale Fields.

From Downtown New Haven:

Go north on Chapel Street, then turn left on Derby Avenue (Route 34) to the fields. From I-91: Take Exit 1 (Downtown) and follow Route 34 to the Yale Fields.

Please follow signs for lacrosse tournament once you get on Derby Avenue (Route 34). All traffic will be directed to turn onto Central Avenue and then right on to an access road that runs between Field 3 and Reese Stadium.

PARKING

All cars must be parked in the "Yale Bowl" parking lots. There will be signs as well as workers directing traffic. Please see the map for further reference. No cars will be allowed to park in the Johnson Field lot or on the surrounded streets.

PETS

Absolutely no pets will be allowed on any of the fields. Please leave your pets at home.

REGISTRATION

All teams and free agents must register before their first game. Please register **45 minutes** before your first game. The registration tent will be next to Field 3 and should be visible once you walk through the gates of the Yale Bowl Parking lots. Please see the map for further reference. All team and player balances are due at registration. Additional schedules and maps will be available at this tent. Coaches should pick up their t-shirts for their players at this tent. Please wait until after the morning rush to do so.

WAIVER

All players or parents of players under 18 must sign waiver. Additional copies will be available at Registration Tent.

CONCESSIONS

There will be two areas where food will be sold. First area will be right next to the registration tent, second area will be next to Johnson Field. Please see the map for further reference. Menu will include: pizza, sandwiches, candy, Gatorade, soda, and water. Additional tournament T-Shirts will be sold as well.

BATHROOMS

There are port potties located throughout the property. I put them on the map so you can direct your players. You can always ask one of field directors as well.

ATHLETIC TRAINER

There will be an athletic trainer on site. If you have an injured player tell the field director of the field you are at and we will get the athletic trainer to assist the player immediately.

WATER

There will be water jugs accessible at all fields. Please bring water bottles as I can not assure cups will be provided.

SCHEDULE

The current schedule is subject to change. I will do my best not to change anything and especially not change any of the times of anyone's first game. A final schedule will be emailed Thursday night. As you can see all games start on the hour. Please have your teams ready to go 10 minutes before your scheduled game time as the fields will come available to you then. Please stay out of bench areas until the team playing the game before has cleared. Teams finishing their games, try to move out of bench area as quickly as possible. **There will be a central horn for fields 4, 5, 6, & Johnson Field. One blow will signal two minute warning for start of game/half and end of half/game. Double horn will signal start of game/half and end of half/game. Fields 3 and Reese Stadium will have the time keep by the officials at that field.**

GAME RULES

- Tournament will follow 2007 NFHS rules.

Special Rules for Tournament

- (2) 22 Minute Running Time Halves
- 2 Minute Half Time
- 30 Second Penalties will be a 40 Second Running Time Penalty
- Minute Penalties will be a 80 Second Running Time Penalty
- Over aggressive play will NOT BE TOLERATED
 - Cheap shots and dirty play may result in expulsion from the game and possible suspension from the entire tournament without refund
 - Fighting will result in immediate suspension from tournament without refund
- Coaches are expected to have complete control over their team
 - Any type of fighting could result in the teams' suspension from the tournament without refund
- Coaches should try to refrain from yelling at officials
- Tie Games will go to an immediate "Braveheart"
 - One player, does not have to be the goalie, has to be in the defensive box at all times

TIEBREAKERS

In Order of Use

- Head to Head
- W/L % vs Common Opponents
- Lowest GAA vs Common Opponents
- Highest GFA vs Common Opponents
- Coin Flip

PLAYOFFS & ADDITIONAL GAMES

- Top team from Divisions A, B, C, & D will advance to a 4 team playoff
- Additional games will be used to get every team their 4th game
- I will try to match teams of comparable ability in these games using the day's results as a guide
- I have a tentative schedule, but it may change a little
- I will be in contact with each coach as the day plays out, plus there will be a poster board schedule at the registration table which will post the additional schedule as soon as we know it

QUESTIONS

- I can be contacted all day via cell, my number is 617-794-5117
- I will also be available via walkie-talkie. All field directors will have one. If you have a question please ask them and they can get in touch with me.
- If you need to speak with me in person, I will mainly be at the Registration Tent and Reese Stadium. However, I will be floating around from time to time.