NESCAC
CHAMPIONSHIP POLICIES AND PROCEDURES
WOMEN’S LACROSSE

SECTION 1 – FORMAT

Championship Dates
Quarterfinal Games: Saturday, April 29, 2017
Semifinal Games: Saturday, May 6, 2017
Championship Game: Sunday, May 7, 2017

Championship Format
• A single 8-team championship shall be played.
• The top eight teams in the conference shall qualify for the tournament and will be determined by the final regular season standings based on results of conference play.
• The championship is single elimination with no consolation game.
• After quarterfinal games, teams will be re-bracketed so that the lowest remaining seed plays the highest remaining seed.

Quarterfinals – Saturday, April 29
• Games shall be played at the site of the higher seeds (No. 8 at No. 1, No. 7 at No. 2, No. 6 at No. 3, and No. 5 at No. 4). If a higher seeded team is unable to host, the lower seed shall host.
• Game time shall be 12 p.m. (competing institutions may mutually agree to adjust game time).
• If a men’s and a women’s quarterfinal game are scheduled for the same site and there is a facility conflict (Amherst, Bates, Connecticut College, Hamilton, Tufts, and Williams), the women’s game shall be played at 12 p.m. (with the men’s game at 2:30 p.m.).

Semifinals – Saturday, May 6
• The semifinal games shall be held at the highest remaining seed after completion of the quarterfinal games.
• After quarterfinal games, teams will be re-bracketed so that the lowest remaining seed plays the highest remaining seed.
• The winners of the other two quarterfinal games shall meet in the other semifinal game.
• Game times shall be 12 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. Teams competing in the second game shall be given a minimum of 30 minutes of warm-up on the game field.
• The order of the two semifinal games is at the discretion of the host institution.
• If both the men’s and women’s semifinals and finals are being played at the same site and circumstances exist such that all games are played on one field (facility conflict, games moved to artificial surface due to inclement weather, etc.), all semifinal games shall be played on Saturday. The women’s games will be played at 10 a.m. and 12 p.m. with the men’s games at 2 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. Both championship games shall be played on Sunday, with the women’s game at 12 p.m. and the men’s game at 2:30 p.m.

Championship – Sunday, May 7
• The championship game shall be held at the highest remaining seed after completion of the quarterfinal games.
• The winners of the two semifinal games shall play in the championship game.
• Game time shall be 1 p.m.

SECTION 2 – SELECTION PROCESS

Announcement
Following the conclusion of regular season games on Wednesday, April 26, pairings and site announcements will be posted on the NESCAC website and information will also be forwarded to the Athletic Directors (or designated representatives).

Conference Call
• There will be a conference call for the final four participating schools on Tuesday, May 2 at 10 a.m.
• The host institution shall complete the Championship Contact Form and distribute a copy to the Conference office as well as the Athletic Director and head coach of each participating school prior to the conference call.
Selection and Seeding
The top eight teams shall qualify for the tournament. Teams will be selected and seeded based on the record against all NESCAC opponents.

Tie Breakers
The following tie-breaking procedure (listed in priority order) will be used to determine participants and seeding.

2-way tie:
1. Head-to-head result (if teams play each other more than once during the regular season, the game that appears on the league schedule will be the game that is counted).

3-way or more tie:
1. Best record among tying teams, against one another (head-to-head).
2. Most conference wins (in games that are part of the conference schedule and count toward league standings).
3. Comparison of results of conference games played against top 4 teams (including all teams at the 4th spot).
4. Comparison of results of conference games played against top 8 teams (including all teams at the 8th spot).
5. Comparison of results of conference games played against conference teams in rank order. Comparisons shall be made one team at a time starting with the highest ranked team.
6. If the tie remains after comparing results against the highest ranked team, the results against the next team in rank order shall be used. This process is continued until a winner is determined.
7. Coin flip

Note: In case of ties among three or more schools, the criteria above will be applied in order until a team is (or teams are) separated. At that point, the process begins anew (returning to the first criteria) with the remaining teams. The process is continued until the tie is eventually broken. In cases where only a random action will break the tie of three or more teams, the random action will be applied to all teams involved in the tie. For example, if three teams are tied and only a random action (pulling names out of a hat) will break the tie, each name will be pulled and seeded in order of being pulled. Also, in the event that there are two (or more) groups of teams tied at different spots in the standings and the only criteria left that can be used to break those ties is a coin flip/random action, the coin flip/random action used to break the tie of one group (to put teams in rank order) will not affect the tie breaking procedures of the other group(s) of tied teams.

SECTION 3 – EQUIPMENT
Balls
Competing teams are responsible for their own practice balls. The host institution will provide game balls for all games hosted by the institution.

Facility
The game field shall be ready at least one hour prior to the start of the game.

Only institutional signage is permitted at the site of competition. Spectators are not allowed to affix anything (banners, signs, etc.) to a facility at the site of the championship.

SECTION 4 – PLAYING RULES
General
The championship will be conducted according to NCAA Women’s Lacrosse Rules.

Filming of Games
Each institution is permitted to use one camera and may film only that portion of the competition in which it participates. Filming an opponent’s game is not permitted. The host institution is not required to film games it is hosting but shall provide space to its opponent or the two competing teams in a comparable location.

The following film exchange protocol will take place during the championship:

After quarterfinal games: The host coach will film and upload the quarterfinal game to TeamXStream's Open Exchange within 24 hours.
After each semifinal game: The host coach will film and upload each semifinal game to the Courtesy Exchange option of TeamXStream, so that teams will only be able to view the semifinal game in which they participate. Following the conclusion of the championship game, both semifinal games will be made available on Open Exchange.

After the championship game: The host coach will film and upload the championship game to the Open Exchange option of TeamXStream. The two semifinal games will also be shared on the Open Exchange option at this time. This is to be done within 24 hours.

Pregame Schedule
See Appendix A for pregame schedule.

Halftime will be 10 minutes, unless the coaches mutually agree to shorten the time prior to the start of the game.

Postgame Protocol
At the completion of the game, and prior to any team huddle/cheer, both teams should immediately gather and walk to the sub box to shake hands with the opposing team while the coaches follow behind to shake hands with all players and coaches.

Music (Warm-up)
For quarterfinal games, the host institution will provide music at its discretion during warm-up. For the semifinal and championship games, the higher seed shall have the choice of playing its own music. If the higher seed chooses not to play its own music, the lower seed may do so.

Introductions
The visiting team or lower seeded team will be introduced prior to the host institution or higher seeded team. Only starters will be introduced. As each player is introduced, she should proceed to midfield. Once all starters are introduced, remaining team members should proceed to midfield.

Only captains will shake the opposing coach’s hand prior to the start of competition as a sign of good sportsmanship. The head coach will greet the captains at the 50-yard line of the sideline to shake hands. Starting captains will be announced last in the starting lineup. Once announced they should shake the opposing coach’s hand prior to joining their team for the National Anthem. Non-starting captains will follow any starting captain to shake hands with the opposing coach prior to joining their team for the National Anthem.

National Anthem
The National Anthem shall be played before the first game at each site for each round of the championship. The National Anthem will not be played before the second semifinal game.

Squad Size
There is no limit to the number of players that may travel or dress for any game that is part of the championship.

Team Benches
The host institution may choose the bench it will use for the games in which it participates. For games not involving the host institution, the higher seeded team shall use the host team’s bench.

Tie-breaking Procedure
There shall be no ties. When the score is tied at the end of regular playing time, both teams will have a five-minute rest and toss a coin for choice of ends. This coin toss will not include a choice of possession. The alternate possession shall continue from regulation. Six minutes (two three-minute halves) of stop-clock sudden-victory overtime will be played. Teams will change ends after the first three-minute half with no delay for coaching. No substitutions may take place at this time. The game will be restarted by a center draw. The winner will be decided by “sudden victory.” The team that scores the first goal wins the game.

If neither team has scored after the first overtime period of six minutes (two three-minute halves), there will be a three-minute rest followed by the teams switching ends again and beginning a second period of six minutes (two three minute halves) of stop-clock sudden-victory overtime. Substitutions may occur at this time. The game will be restarted by a center draw. This procedure of play will continue until the first goal is scored.
During sudden-victory overtime, the clock will stop on every whistle.

**Uniforms**
The home team, or higher seed, shall wear light colored uniforms; the visiting team, or lower seed, shall wear a contrasting color. Each competing team should have both dark and light uniforms available.

**Games Suspended, Not Played or Not Completed (due to inclement weather, etc.)**
Every effort shall be made to play the game on the scheduled day. Prior to any game being rescheduled, there shall be a meeting (or conference call if all parties are not on site) of the Athletics Directors and Executive Director to determine the course of action. Should it become necessary (due to unplayable conditions – e.g. inclement weather, darkness, etc.), a higher seed may be advanced to the next round in order to complete the tournament. Failing all attempts to complete the tournament, the highest seed remaining will receive the conference AQ to the NCAA championship.

**SECTION 5 – OFFICIALS & GAME PERSONNEL**
In an effort to coordinate and centralize assignments of officials, the Conference office will arrange to have officials assigned for the tournaments games. Specific game assignments will be made once participants and sites have been determined. Host institutions are responsible for contacting the assignor (Debbie Martin – cell: 860-307-4188; email: deborahkmartin50@gmail.com) to confirm assignment of officials. Host institutions should also follow-up directly with the officials to confirm game details (day, date, time, site, etc.). If applicable, the host institution should secure lodging for referees.

Host institutions shall be responsible for payment of the referees and shall secure other game personnel for all games played at their site as follows:
- Official Scorer/Statistician
- Official Timekeeper
- Public Address Announcer
- Ball Retrievers

The Public Address Announcer and game management staff must be impartial in carrying out their responsibilities.

**SECTION 6 – MEDICAL PERSONNEL**
Host institutions are required to have a certified athletic trainer on site for all tournament games. Host institutions should be contacted by visiting staffs to alert hosts if no athletic trainer is traveling with a team in order to assist the host institution in planning appropriate athletic training coverage.

**SECTION 7 – PRACTICE**
For championships that award automatic qualification, no team is permitted to practice at the host site on the day(s) prior to the championship (except for the host team practicing at home). Further, no team is permitted to conduct a practice at the host site on the day of championship competition if it is a class day. Teams will be provided warm-up time in conjunction with championship competition immediately prior to the contest.

**SECTION 8 – TRAVEL**
**Travel:** Teams are responsible for making their own travel arrangements and must adhere to the travel regulations as stipulated in the NESCAC Manual.

**Lodging:** Traveling teams are responsible for making their own lodging arrangements. Andrea Casperson with BookMyGroup will be available to assist traveling teams with lodging arrangements. If assistance is desired, contact Andrea Casperson at 888-832-6745 (acasperson@bookmygroup.com).

**SECTION 9 – AWARDS**
- The champion and runner-up teams each will receive an award.
Awards will be shipped to the Athletics Director of the institution hosting the semifinal and final games.

- If awards have not been received by 12:00 noon on Wednesday, the Conference office should be notified immediately.
- The Conference office will provide the institution hosting the semifinals/final game a short script for the awards ceremony.

SECTION 10 – PROGRAMS

Each host institution’s Sports Information Director (SID) is responsible for producing game programs for quarterfinal round contests. Programs should be neutral in nature, devote an equal amount of space to each team, be printed in black and white, and adhere to guidelines provided to each SID by the Conference office. They should include participating team rosters (with name, uniform number, position, class, hometown, etc.) and win-loss records. A brief description of the event should also be included, along with the NCAA/NESCAC sportsmanship statement.

Each school should forward appropriate materials to the host SID as soon as possible, but no later than the Thursday prior to the scheduled round of competition.

Advertising in championship programs is permissible. However, advertisements that include the following content are prohibited: alcoholic beverages, cigarettes and other tobacco products, and organizations promoting gambling.

The Conference office will design the program used for the semifinals and final. A digital copy of the program will be sent to the host institution via email no later than Wednesday prior to the semifinals. The host institution will be responsible for printing the program in black and white and making it available to spectators.

SECTION 11 – RESULTS

A copy of the official results of all championship competition and three game programs shall be filed with the Conference office. Official results will include a neutral release and Stat Crew box score for all games played at the host institution.

The SID of each host institution is responsible for entering results immediately following each contest into the NESCAC Scoreboard (www.prestosports.com/admin) and emailing a box score and postgame release to the Conference office and competing team(s). Programs should be forwarded to Lisa Champagne, NESCAC Assistant Director for Media Relations, 100 Venture Way, Box 13, Hadley, MA 01035, fax: (413) 587-2167, email: lisa.champagne@trincoll.edu. If you encounter problems forwarding information, Lisa can be contacted at (413) 587-2078.

SECTION 12 – TICKETS

All Rounds

Admission will not be charged for the championship. However, if circumstances are such that it is likely a significant amount of income can be generated from charging admission, the Athletics Directors’ Executive Committee has the authority to require the charging of an entrance fee.

SECTION 13 – FINANCES

All expenses associated with hosting and/or traveling are the responsibility of the respective team.
Appendix A

Pregame Schedule and Tie-breaking Procedure

First Semifinal

Game Clock/Real Time

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Note: The pregame schedule above is based on a 12:00 p.m. start time and should be adjusted accordingly for other start times. Teams competing in the second semifinal game shall be given a minimum of 30 minutes of warm-up on the game field.

Second Semifinal

Game Clock/Real Time

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During sudden-victory overtime, the clock will stop on every whistle.
Appendix B

Women’s Lacrosse Host Institution Responsibilities

The host Athletic Director is responsible for overseeing that the championship is carried out in accordance with NESCAC policies and guidelines. Host institutions should keep in mind that a NESCAC championship is not a home event. Therefore, hosts should not create a “home atmosphere” through the use of players on programs, displaying host institutions signage or similar measures.

**Tournament Director**
The host institution shall assign an administrator to serve as the Tournament Director. The Tournament Director will be responsible for overseeing all aspects of the championship. The head coach (or assistant coach) of that sport may not serve as the Tournament Director. This applies to all rounds of the championship.

**Schedule and Format**
See Section 1 – Format for schedule and format.

**Balls**
See Section 3 – Equipment for information on game and practice balls.

**Field/Facility Set-up**
See Section 3 – Equipment for information on facility set up.

**NESCAC Banner**
The NESCAC Banner should be displayed during all rounds of the championship. NESCAC Championship banners will be provided by the Conference office and are to be displayed in a secure/permanent location. Championship and champions banners are to be returned to the Conference office and are not to be retained by the host institution or championship team.

**Locker Rooms**
Institutions should have someone available to greet teams and officials when they arrive and direct them to their respective locker rooms. Locker rooms should be available for all participating teams. It is preferable that each team be assigned to the same locker room throughout a game (pre-game and post-game). Locker rooms should be available for all officials, and institutions should be prepared to provide separate locker rooms for male and female officials working on the same crew.

**Playing Rules**
The championship will be conducted according to NCAA Women’s Lacrosse Rules.

**Filming of Games**
See Section 4 – Playing Rules for information regarding filming tournament games.

**Pregame Schedule and Tie Breaking Procedure**
See Appendix A for Pregame Schedule and Tiebreaking Procedure.

**Postgame Protocol**
See Section 4 – Playing Rules for information on postgame protocol.

**National Anthem and Team Introductions**
See Section 4 – Playing Rules for information on National Anthem and team introductions. Scripts for team introductions are provided in Appendices D, E, and F.

**Music**
See Section 4 – Playing Rules for information regarding music.

**Team Benches**
See Section 4 – Playing Rules for information on team benches.

**Laundry**
On the conference call conducted for the semifinal/final games, the host institution shall communicate policies for laundry.
Officials
See Section 5 – Officials for accessing assignments, payment information, and assignor contact information.

Game Personnel
See Section 5 – Officials for information on game personnel.

Medical Personnel
See Section 6 – Medical Personnel for information on certified athletic trainer coverage throughout the championship.

Practice
See Section 7 – Practice for information related to practice for each team.

Travel and Lodging
All travel and lodging arrangements are the responsibility of participating schools. Host schools do not need to block rooms. See Section 8 – Travel for travel and lodging information.

Awards and Award Ceremony
Championship awards will be sent to the host institution (c/o the Athletic Director). Upon receipt of the awards, the host institution should inspect the awards to ensure the accuracy of the gender, sport, and year. If awards have not been received by 12 p.m. the Wednesday prior to the championship, the Conference office should be notified immediately.

At the conclusion of the final game, there will be a short awards ceremony involving both teams. After teams shake hands, players and coaches should return to their respective benches and line up facing midfield for the awards presentation. There will be no tournament MVP or All-Tournament Team selected.

See Appendix F for award ceremony script.

Programs
See Section 10 – Programs for information on programs for all rounds of the championship.

Sports Information
The host SID must provide statistical coverage for each contest. The host SID must also immediately report game results and share packed files with participating institutions. If hosting more than one game, host SIDs must enter the final score of the first game into the NESCAC scoreboard, send the Stat Crew packed game file to the visiting SID, and upload the Stat Crew packed file to the PrestoSports website prior to the start of the second game.

The host SID must make sure the Public Address Announcer is prepared prior to the game.

See Appendix C for Host SID Checklist.

Webcast
Host institutions are strongly encouraged to webcast quarterfinal games. Announcers should be reminded that the event is a conference event and not a home event. The announcers should have information for all participating teams. Remarks and commentary should be neutral and represent the institutions and the Conference in a positive manner.

The Conference has entered an agreement with Northeast Sports Network (NSN) to webcast semifinal and final games. An NSN representative will be in touch with the host institution regarding needs and arrangements for the NSN crew for these games.

Admission and Tickets
See Section 12 – Tickets for information on admission and tickets.

Finances
All expenses associated with hosting and/or traveling are the responsibility of each respective team.
Spectator/Crowd Control
The responsibility for crowd control rests with the host institution and the Tournament Director. The ADs and coaches of the participating institutions are expected to communicate with their students and other fans that support for teams should be done in a positive manner. The NESCAC sportsmanship statement should be communicated to fans before the game and during the game (halftime and timeouts) when applicable.

Only institutional signage is permitted at the site of competition. Spectators are not allowed to affix anything (banners, signs, etc.) to a facility at the site of the championship.

Seating Arrangements
Designated seating areas for visiting team fans (including students) should be behind or across from that team’s bench.

Artificial Noisemakers
No air horns or artificial noisemakers are allowed, and electronic effects and bands may not play when the game is in progress.

Championships T-shirts and Merchandise
Institutions may choose to sell NESCAC championships merchandise. All merchandise must be approved by the conference office in advance of the championship. Vendors will need to be approved by Learfield Licensing Partners, the NESCAC’s licensing partner. More information, including Learfield contact information, can be found at nescac.com under the Administration heading. Institutions interested in selling championships merchandise should contact the Conference office prior to designing or ordering any merchandise.

Concessions
Host institutions are encouraged to have food and beverages available for spectators at events. Sales from such ventures remain with host institutions.

Alcoholic Beverages
Alcoholic beverages shall not be sold, made available, or be brought into any site during a NESCAC Championship event.

Severe Weather
In case of severe weather, the host institution’s regular severe weather policy will be followed during all games. Institutions shall be prepared to provide direction to teams and spectators.

Prior to any game being rescheduled, there shall be a meeting (or conference call if all parties are not on site) of the Athletics Directors and Executive Director to determine the course of action.
Appendix C
Host SID Checklist

Programs for Quarterfinals
- Neutral with an equal amount of space dedicated to each team
- Printed in black and white
- Tournament Information (schedule with dates and times, history, final standings)
- Win-Loss Records
- Rosters (name, uniform number, class, position, hometown)
- NESCAC Championship Logo
- NESCAC Sportsmanship Statement
- NESCAC Website (www.nescac.com)
- Do not use national or regional polls or rankings
- Advertising is permitted, but advertisements with the following content are prohibited: alcohol, cigarettes or other tobacco products, professional sports organizations or personnel and organizations promoting gambling

Programs for Semifinals and Finals
- Designed by the Conference office
- Digital copy emailed to host institution no later than Wednesday prior to the semifinals
- Host institution responsible for printing in black and white and making available to spectators
- Programs may be sold with income from sales being used to defray/cover the cost of production
- Forward three copies to the Conference office

Score Reporting
- Host SID is responsible for reporting results immediately after each game
- For neutral site games, host SIDs will be provided with temporary access to the scoreboard for all participating teams
- Conference office will create new events for the scoreboard as the championship progresses

Statistical Coverage
- Host institutions are responsible for providing statistical coverage for each contest
- If hosting more than one game, host SIDs must enter the final score of the first game into the NESCAC scoreboard, send the Stat Crew packed game file to the visiting SID, and upload the Stat Crew packed file to the PrestoSports website prior to the start of the second game

Game Recaps
- Neutral and inclusive of all tournament information
- Must be emailed as soon as possible to the conference office and participating SIDs
- Conference office staff will post all recaps to NESCAC website

Photography
- Host SID shall make sure a photo of the winning team with the NESCAC plaque and “NESCAC Champions” banner is taken and sent to the respective SID and Conference office as soon as possible following the game
- Game action photos should be shared with SIDs of participating institutions and Conference office
- Winning teams should provide the Conference office with photos to be posted along with recaps on NESCAC website

Public Address Announcer
- Player introductions and appropriate game information should be announced in an impartial and consistent manner for each team
- PA announcer should have and review all pronunciations with each team prior to the contest
- Scripts for Quarterfinal, Semifinal, and Final games are provided by the conference office (Appendices D, E, and F)
- Awards presentation script is provided by the conference office (Appendix F)
- No selection of a Most Valuable Player or All-Tournament Team should be made on site or in any release

Audio, Video, and Live Stats (Quarterfinal Games)
- Host institutions are strongly encouraged to webcast quarterfinal contests
- Host institution should provide links for live stats and update those links on the NESCAC scoreboard, as necessary. Video and/or audio links must be updated, as necessary, on the NESCAC scoreboard.
- Commentary should be neutral and represent the institutions and Conference in a positive manner
- Announcers should have information for all participating teams

Audio, Video and Live Stats (Semifinal & Final Games)
- The Conference has entered into an agreement with Northeast Sports Network (NSN) to webcast the semifinal and final games. The Conference office will provide live video links for all Championship games and update those on the NESCAC scoreboard.
- Host institution should provide links for live stats for semifinal and final games, as necessary, and update those links on the NESCAC scoreboard.
- NSN should be in contact with the host institution SID regarding set up. If NSN has not been in touch before Thursday, contact the Conference office.
Appendix D

Women’s Lacrosse Quarterfinal Script (Pregame, Postgame, and Sportsmanship Statement)

*Note: The visiting team or lower seeded team will be introduced prior to the host institution or higher seeded team. Only starters will be introduced. As each player is introduced, she should proceed to midfield. Once all starters are introduced, remaining team members should proceed to midfield. Only captains will shake the opposing coach’s hand prior to the start of competition as a sign of good sportsmanship. The head coach will greet the captains at the 50-yard line of the sideline to shake hands. Starting captains will be announced last in the starting line-up. Once announced they should shake the opposing coach’s hand prior to joining their team for the National Anthem. Non-starting captains will follow any starting captain to shake hands with the opposing coach prior to joining their team for the National Anthem.

Good afternoon, ladies and gentlemen and welcome to ___________________________ on the campus of (name of field/stadium)

___________________________ for today’s NESCAC quarterfinal matchup between the

___________________________________ and the ___________________________________.

(lower seed institution name and mascot) (higher seed institution name and mascot)

Let’s meet today’s starting lineups… first for the __________________________

(lower seed mascot)

(lineup should be read as follows, “a (Class Year)… (position), from (hometown)...number .... (name...)”)

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And, now for the starters for the ____________________________
(higher seed mascot)

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(higher seed/home team) (head coach’s name)

Assistant coaches are________________________________________________________.
(assistant coaches names)

Today’s officials are: ________________________________________________________.

And now to honor America, please rise for our national anthem.

<after anthem>

The NESCAC and the NCAA promote good sportsmanship by student-athletes, coaches, and spectators. We request your cooperation by supporting the participants and officials in a positive manner. Profanity, racial, sexist, homophobic, or other derogatory comments, or other intimidating actions directed at officials, spectators, student-athletes, coaches or team representatives will not be tolerated and are grounds for removal from the site of competition. Also, the consumption of alcoholic beverages is prohibited at the site of competition.
At the conclusion of the Quarterfinal game,
and giving teams time to come off the field and shake hands,
read ONE of the following:

*If the site of the winning team’s semifinal game is not yet known, read the following:

Congratulations to ____________________ on advancing to the NESCAC quarterfinals.
(name of losing team)

______________________________ will play again next weekend in the NESCAC semifinals.
(name of winning team)

______________________________ and the NESCAC thank you for attending today’s game.
(host institution)

*If the site of the winning team’s semifinal game is known, read the following:

Congratulations to ____________________ on advancing to the NESCAC quarterfinals.
(name of losing team)

______________________________ will play again next weekend in a NESCAC semifinal
(host institution) hosted by ________________
(name of institution hosting semis/final)

______________________________ and the NESCAC thank you for attending today’s game.
(host institution)
Good afternoon, ladies and gentlemen and welcome to ___________________________ on the campus of (name of field/stadium) for today’s NESCAC semifinal matchup between the (host institution name) and the ___________________________. (lower seed institution name and mascot) (higher seed institution name and mascot)

Let’s meet today’s starting lineups… first for the ___________________________.

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And, now for the starters for the ______________________
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(higher seed/home team) (head coach’s name)

Assistant coaches are ____________________________________________________________.
(assistant coaches names)

Today’s officials are: ____________________________________________________________.

And now to honor America, please rise for our national anthem.

<after anthem>

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At the conclusion of the first Semifinal game, and giving teams time to come off the field and shake hands, read the following:

Congratulations to ______________________________ on advancing to the NESCAC semifinals.

D will play tomorrow here at __________________________

against the winner of the _______________________/________________ game for the ____________ NESCAC Championship. Tomorrow’s championship game is at noon.

______________________________ and the NESCAC thank you for attending today’s game.

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Appendix E (Copy 2)

Women’s Lacrosse Semifinal (Game 2) (Pregame, Postgame, and Sportsmanship Statement)

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Good afternoon, ladies and gentlemen and welcome to ____________________________ on the campus of ____________________________ for today’s NESCAC semifinal matchup between the ______________________________________ and the ______________________________________.

Let’s meet today’s starting lineups… first for the ______________________________________

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And, now for the starters for the ____________________________...

(higher seed mascot)

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(higher seed/home team) (head coach’s name)

Assistant coaches are ________________________________________________________________.

(assistant coaches names)

Today’s officials are: __________________________________________________________________

<Following intros, teams may meet or huddle as there is no National Anthem prior to the second semifinal>

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At the conclusion of the second Semifinal game, and giving teams time to come off the field and shake hands, read the following:

Congratulations to __________________________ on advancing to the NESCAC semifinals.

__________________________ will meet ________________ tomorrow at noon here on

__________________________ ______________________________________________________________________________________________

________________________________________________ for the ______ NESCAC Championship.

________________________________________________ and the NESCAC thank you for attending today’s game.

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Appendix F

Women’s Lacrosse Championship Script (Pregame, Sportsmanship Statement, and Awards)

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Good afternoon, ladies and gentlemen and welcome to ___________________________ on the campus of ___________________________.

______________________________________ for today’s NESCAC championship matchup between the _______________________________________ and the _______________________________________.

Let’s meet today’s starting lineups… first for the ___________________________.

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(lower seed /visiting team) (head coach’s name)
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Today’s officials are: ____________________________________________________________.

And now to honor America, please rise for our national anthem.

<after anthem>

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**With under 3 minutes remaining in regulation, please read the following:**

Fans, be sure to stay following the completion of today’s game for the presentation of the NESCAC Championship awards. We ask that all fans remain in the stands during the awards presentation. Thank you.

**At the conclusion of the game, please read the following:**

Fans, as a reminder, please remain in the stands during the presentation of the NESCAC Championship awards. Please stay off the field. Thank you.

Note: If necessary, repeat the above statement if fans approach entering the playing surface after the game. If the game requires overtime, read the above statement prior to the overtime period.
**Awards Script (Copy 1)**

*It is strongly recommended that this form be filled out prior to the completion of the championship game. Print two copies of this page and complete for both teams participating in the championship game.*

Before we begin the awards ceremony, we would like to congratulate all the teams and student athletes on a successful season and excellent championship. Presenting the awards to this year’s NESCAC finalists is/are

the __________________________ (of/from) ____________________, ___________________

(position) (affiliation) (name)

AND the _____________________ (of/from) __________________

(position) (affiliation) (name)

Please join us in congratulating ____________________ on advancing to the championship

(runner-up school)

game and finishing as the _____________ runner-up. Team captains ________________________________

(year)

will accept the award for the __________________________________________________

(mascot)

And now the ____________ NESCAC champions. Accepting the championship award for Coach

(year)

________________________________ and the ___________________________ are team captains

(Coach’s last name) (mascot)

______________________________________________

Let’s give one more round of applause to all of these outstanding student-athletes. Ladies and gentlemen, thank you for your support and for attending the _______ NESCAC Women’s Lacrosse Championship.
Awards Script (Copy 2)

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AND the _____________________ (of/from) ____________________, ___________________
(position) (affiliation) (name)

Please join us in congratulating ____________________ on advancing to the championship (runner-up school)

(game and finishing as the ______________ runner-up. Team captains ______________________________
(year)

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will accept the award for the __________________________________________________
(mascot)

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(year)