



## **Boundary Registration Policy**

Each MAYLA member club must educate its constituents about MAYLA's boundary policies, when appropriate, and reasonably ensure that its players are compliant with such policy. Further, each MAYLA member club should proactively address issues of non-compliance with such policy; for example, by redirecting a prospective but boundary non-compliant player to the appropriate MAYLA member club.

Generally, each MAYLA member club comprises a school district established by the State of Wisconsin Department of Instruction. Therefore, the MAYLA member club's boundaries correspond with the school district's boundaries as defined by the State of Wisconsin Department of Instruction.

Each player must register with the MAYLA member club in whose school district the player is enrolled; however, if a player attends a private, parochial, charter, or virtual school that sponsors its own MAYLA member club, the player must register with that MAYLA member club.

If the school district – or private, parochial, charter, or virtual school – in which a player is enrolled does not correspond with any MAYLA member club, the player must be advised to contact the League Commissioner to determine with which MAYLA member club to register. Considering the priorities of league structure and growth, the League Commissioner will generally direct the player to register with the MAYLA member club that is geographically closest to the primary residence of the player's parents, or designated custodial parent in case of separation. The league commissioner will then report the placement to the MAYLA Board of Directors.

### **Cooperative Agreements**

When necessary for the promotion and growth of lacrosse within a specific geographic area, an existing MAYLA member club may submit a written proposal to the MAYLA Board of Directors requesting a formal, cooperative agreement between such club and one or more other schools (e.g., private, parochial, charter, or virtual schools geographically located within such club's school district(s)). The other school's administration must provide written support for any proposed cooperative agreement, demonstrating the intent to support and follow the mission and operational procedures outlined in MAYLA's constitution and By-Laws. The MAYLA member club and the other school must demonstrate to the MAYLA Board of Directors that the proposed cooperative agreement will lead to separately functioning teams within the MAYLA membership (e.g., a new MAYLA member club sponsored by the other school).

If MAYLA Board of Directors approves a proposed cooperative agreement, such agreement will be valid for up to two years and the parties to the agreement shall report to the MAYLA Board of Directors annually regarding participation and operational status.

## **Waiver Request Procedures**

All waiver requests must be facilitated through the League Commissioner and in writing. (Note that email communications shall constitute “in writing” for purposes of this section.)

Players must play for their assigned program unless: (1) released, in writing, by a representative of their assigned MAYLA member club; and (2) accepted in writing by an alternative MAYLA member club. Representatives with authority to release a player are limited to the MAYLA member club's president, vice-president, or program director. All such releases and acceptances must be facilitated through the League Commissioner and the League Commissioner must approve of such releases and acceptances before players may register with an alternative club.

The League Commissioner will only grant a player's request to play for an alternative MAYLA member club upon the demonstration of unforeseeable, unavoidable, or uncorrectable circumstances resulting in a severe burden or hardship on the player or player's family (“Extenuating Circumstances”). Extenuating Circumstances are often those outside of a player's or player's family's control. Transportation issues are not, by themselves, considered to be Extenuating Circumstances. Transportation issues should be communicated directly to, and resolved by, the representatives of the assigned MAYLA member club.) The League Commissioner may consult with the MAYLA Board of Directors but the League Commissioner's decision shall be binding.

Players must annually renew their request to play for an alternative MAYLA member club.

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