

thorough review of suggested rule changes submitted to US Lacrosse and NFHS, as well as a review of pertinent injury surveillance statistics.”

A closer look at all the rule changes approved by the US Lacrosse Women’s Game Committee is below. Rule references are from the 2016 US Lacrosse Rule Book and will change for 2017.

**Rule 2, Section 9:** Outlines the certification changes to eyewear protection.

**Rule 2, Section 10:** Outlines the ASTM certification changes to headgear.

**Rule 5, Section 1:** Players below the restraining lines on the draw may not cross until possession has been established.

**Rule 5, Section 28:** Stick checks may only be requested during a stoppage of the game clock.

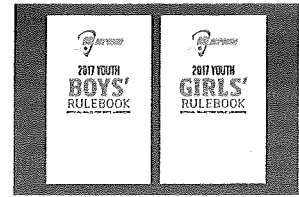
**Rule 5, Section 28:** Stick checks may be requested immediately following regulation or overtime.

**Rule 6, Section 1:** Adjusted the “note” to remove ‘looking to shoot’ from the Obstruction of Free Space criteria.

**Rule 6, Section 2f:** Added the wording “except with a kicking action on a non-shooting attempt” to the rule that ‘players may not use their bodies to play the ball.’

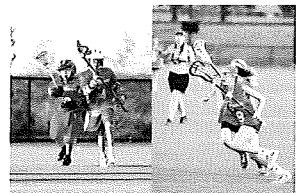
**Rule 7, Section 2:** Penalty administration for dangerous shot and illegal shot to be aligned, with the ball being given to the closest defender no closer than 8m to the goal.

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