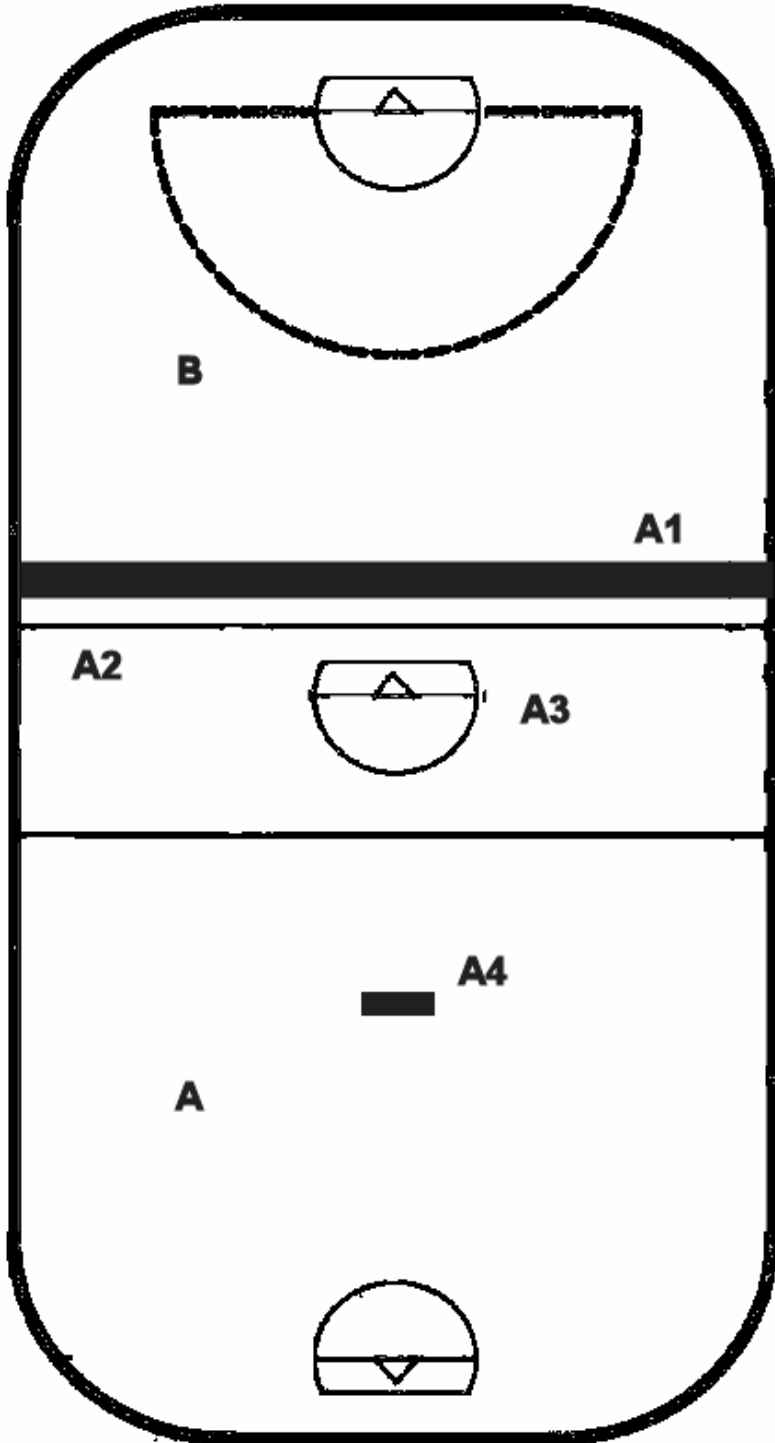


OLA Mini Game Playing Rules

1. The mini game playing surface is approximately 85' X 101' or between 55-60% of regulation box lacrosse floor size. The goal nets are placed as follows:
 - One net stands in its regulation position on the floor;
 - One net stands at centre floor, facing the first goal (chalk crease marking are used to indicate the goal area)
2. The game format is three (3) nine (9) minute periods; no stop time. A twenty (20) second shot-clock is introduced to be governed by the regulation thirty (30) second shot-clock box lacrosse rules.
3. There are three (3) players on each line and three (3) lines compose one team. Each line participates in a three (3) minute shift each period. The timekeeper will signal the referee every three (3) minute duration of the game. The referee will stop play to allow teams the opportunity to change lines. Teams will have a maximum twelve (12) second time limit to change players between line shifts.
4. Before a goal is awarded to any team, the offensive team must change possession of the ball at least three (3) times. The referee shall call aloud the number of successfully completed passes during each possession. All passes must be initiated from the overhand position. No "handoffs" are allowed.
5. Should the ball go out of bounds over the boards, regulation box lacrosse possession rules prevail. Should the ball go out of bounds on the open end of the floor (that is, the rag line behind the centre floor net), the team of the player that is first to the place where the ball went out of bounds will be awarded possession of the ball.
6. For safety purposes, players are required to wear a helmet/facemask and protective gloves. Players are not, however, encouraged to wear full box lacrosse protective equipment (ie. Shoulder pads; elbow pads; back\kidney pads; knee pads). The exception to this equipment rule is the goalkeeper. All goalies in Mini Game must wear full equipment as defined by Box Lacrosse regulations.
7. To facilitate skill development, body contact and stick to body contact is illegal. Only stick to stick contact is permitted.
8. All actions of players which would result in a penalty (by regulation box lacrosse rules) will result in a penalty shot, instead of man-short situations. The player who has been fouled will take the penalty shot. The penalty shot is taken on the run with the shooter advancing directly towards the net. Players initiate the penalty shot from the centre floor hash-mark on the signal of the referee.
9. Other than exceptions noted, regulation box lacrosse rules apply to Mini Game.

Mini Game Facility Modifications



Key to Modifications

A- Area A represents the playing boundaries for Mini game. Dimensions of the area vary according to overall floor dimensions, but in most Ontario arenas would approximate 85' X 101'. Mini Game playing area represents approximately 55-60% of a regulation lacrosse floor.

B- Area B represents boundaries which can be used for practice purposes during Mini Game schedule.

A1- is used to separate the game and practice areas. Light weight mesh suspended from string/rope is most effective.

A2- is the second rag line used as the boundary for the Mini Game playing area on the open end of the floor.

A3- is the portable goal and crease markings which replace the regulation lacrosse floor centre face-off circle.

A4- is the centre hashmark used in Mini Game for opening face-off and penalty shot regulations.