

Player Code Of Conduct

Student-athletes who participate in CSU Men's Lacrosse represent Colorado State University (CSU), Campus Recreation, and the Sport Clubs Office. These organizations dedicate themselves to the tradition of proper conduct and expect the same of the athletes who are their representatives and ambassadors. Any breach of this Code of Conduct & Responsibilities document will be forwarded to the appropriate disciplinary committee for review and action (Men's Lacrosse Student Leadership, Campus Recreation Administration, Sport Clubs Administration, ASCSU, All University Hearing Board, Conflict Resolution and Student Conduct Services, etc.).

As a Member of the CSU Men's Lacrosse Program, **I understand that:**

My actions are representative of CSU, Campus Recreation, and the Sport Clubs office. I will practice good sportsmanship at all practices, scrimmages, and games. I will conduct myself to maintain the highest principles, integrity, and dignity of CSU, Sport Clubs and men's lacrosse.

- Participation in CSU Men's Lacrosse is an opportunity and a privilege, not a right. I will *always* adhere to the rules established by Colorado State University, Campus Recreation, and the Sport Clubs Office.
- I will not physically, mentally, or psychologically haze anyone as I respect the dignity of all persons.
- All practices, games, trips, and any other club activities are DRY EVENTS. The presence and consumption of alcohol or illegal substances is strictly prohibited. I will neither use nor support the use of illegal drugs or alcohol at any club function.
- Possession and/or consumption of alcohol is strictly prohibited in university approved vehicles and at any time during the travel pertaining to the travel dates. I understand that a trip begins the moment I leave my home to the moment I return to my home.
- I will see that practice, scrimmage, and game sites are clear of trash after use and equipment is returned to the original set-up. I understand that this responsibility is universal to all club members.
- I respect the authority of all game officials. At no time is it appropriate to demonstrably question the decisions and actions of game officials.
- Actions of myself or the team will never deliberately jeopardize the safety and wellbeing of opponents, teammates, officials, or spectators.
- The perception of a gathering of lacrosse players can potentially be construed as a "lacrosse party," which is against university guidelines. Team members may follow university and the City of Fort Collins rules and protocol for hosting gatherings at their residence but are subject to disciplinary guidelines as necessary.
- I am responsible for attending all sanctioned team events, including fundraising, alumni relations, recruiting events, study halls, practices, games, film studies, workouts, or otherwise.
- I am responsible for following all federal, state, city, and university laws and policies and that breaking any law will directly affect my ability to be a member of the CSU men's lacrosse program.
- I understand the team does not allow players to participate in team activities who have been charged with or are suspected of committing a crime related to domestic violence or gun violence. If I am aware that either of these incidents occur, it is my responsibility to disclose this information to the Head Coach within 48 hours of the incident or prior to participating in any team activities (including but not limited to games, scrimmages, practices, workouts, meals, etc.) whichever occurs first.
- I must follow university procedures for injury and concussion protocol, including, but not limited to obtaining a baseline concussion test prior to competition.
- I will adhere to the terms defined in the Under Armor agreement that requires each member be wearing the appropriate Under Armor gear and apparel to each regular season game and on trips. The specific of what we are all wearing will be defined prior to each regular season game and trip.

As a member of the CSU men's lacrosse team, I also understand the following rules regarding dues and travel:

1. Dues Basics

- a. There are no refunds for any circumstances whatsoever, including, but not limited to:**
 - i. Injuries, non-compliance, non-participation, and/or dismissal from the team.**
- b. Dues payments are to BE A MEMBER OF THE TEAM, not to receive any material goods.**
- c. Dues are calculated based on a multitude of factors including roster size, travel schedule, equipment costs, facility costs, etc. – the team is a non-profit program and program funds can only be used to pay for costs the team has or will incur.**
- d. There is a limited, 35-40 man travel roster for each trip the team takes via airplane.**
- e. There is the potential for a limited roster for each bus trip the team takes, subject to size of bus/van/etc., but every effort will be made to include all players to bus with the team. Please note: this does not include the MCLA National Tournament, due to the unknown length of time and yearly change in location, the program evaluates the National's travel roster on a year to year basis.**
- f. Paying dues does not guarantee playing time or making the travel squad for each trip.**
- g. The coaching staff will do everything possible to ensure that each active player makes at least one trip per year, but there can be no guarantees regarding playing time or making a travel roster.**

2. Dues Amount and Payment Schedule

- a. Dues for rostered (active) players have two major components: 1) base dues 2) travel dues.**
- b. Base Dues: Rostered (active) players will all owe base dues which will be approximately \$2,750 to participate this season. The final amount is dependent on total roster size, equipment costs, bus costs and other operational costs for this season, it is anticipated that base due will be less than estimated but cannot be guaranteed.**
- c. Travel Dues: Rostered (active) players must pay travel dues approximately 75 days in advance of the team's departure to be considered eligible to be selected for the travel roster. The travel roster will be announced approximately two weeks in advance of the team's departure. If you are not selected for the travel roster, your travel dues will be returned. Travel dues estimates are subject to change based on final travel costs, it is anticipated that travel due will be less than estimated but cannot be guaranteed.**
- d. For the 2019-2020 season travel dues and estimated deadlines are:**
 - i. Austin, Texas (@Texas, @Oklahoma and @Texas A&M) amount = \$450 & due date: 1/5/2020**
 - ii. Los Angeles, CA (@Chapman and @ UC Irvine): amount = \$450 & due date: 1/20/2020**

iii. Salt Lake City, UT (MCLA National Championship): amount = \$250 & due date:3/10/2020

e. Redshirt players will owe approximately \$2,200 for participation.

i. The final amount is dependent on total roster size, equipment costs, and other operational costs for this season, it is anticipated that redshirt dues will be less than estimated but cannot be guaranteed.

ii. Redshirts are expected to be at every single practice and on the sideline for local games (in the immediate area surrounding CSU).

iii. Redshirts can compete in fall events and scrimmages, but not MCLA sanctioned games.

iv. Redshirts will receive an appropriate team gear package.

v. There are redshirt staff/manager positions available in the spring.

vi. Should a player decide to redshirt after full dues are collected, the coaching staff and student leadership will evaluate each situation on a case by case basis regarding “dues credit.”

f. Failure to pay dues on time or without “prior arrangements” will result in the inability to receive gear along with reduced practice/play time.

i. “Prior arrangements” – mean the player will be required to sign a Promissory Note to ratify their commitment to paying dues, that lists the specific dates your payment will be made to the CSU Men’s Lacrosse team. This option is designed to assist those with unusual circumstances or other hardships, it is not intended to be a “payment plan” for most of the rostered players.

g. Dues collection methods:

i. Preferred method: check made out to: CSU Men’s Lacrosse.

ii. Secondary method: csulacrosse.com/program/playerdues. Using this method will add an additional 2.9% processing fee to dues.

3. Fundraising and Sponsorships – Players may fundraise money to alleviate dues costs, but it is the player’s responsibility to acquire these sponsorships in accordance with CSU Sport Club and lacrosse program procedures.

a. Personal Sponsorships affect only individual players. They may be taken directly off that player’s dues, but the sponsor does not receive any compensation for their donation. Personal Sponsorships can be made directly to a player from a company/person and are not tax deductible.

b. Team Sponsorships are reciprocal relationships between the team and sponsors for which the sponsor receives a return on their donation. Team Sponsorship revenues are split evenly between player and team. We have a Team Sponsorship program available to each and every player. Team Sponsorships are tax deductible.

4. Academic Standards – Players are students and athletes and as such are subject to certain CSU Lacrosse and MCLA academic requirements.

a. Credit hours – all players must be enrolled in at least 12 credit hours to participate in sanctioned games or scrimmages (unless the player is graduating in the current semester).

b. GPA - All players are required to have a 2.0 GPA or higher to be allowed to participate in sanctioned games and scrimmages.

c. Failing a class – If a player is failing one or more courses, they will not be allowed to participate in sanctioned games and scrimmages until the grade or grades are brought up to meet passing standards.

d. Activity participation – If a player is not meeting academic requirements, they will still be allowed to participate in non-competition team activities (practices, workouts, meals, etc.)

SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY

I understand that being a part of this team means a certain level of increased exposure when it comes to social media. I am responsible for what I post on social media and will to the best of my abilities represent myself, my program and my university in way commensurate with that exposure. Never will I willingly or unwillingly allow posts of or by myself or my friends to in any way jeopardize the lacrosse program, my teammates or my university.

This includes, but is not limited to: inappropriate posts regarding alcohol, posts of a lewd sexual nature, “trash talking” other teams or universities, sensitive team or individual information, any illegal activities, “tagged” posts or videos by people outside the program, or any other reasonably offensive posts that could negatively affect our program.

By submitting my player information online, and e-signing this form - I agree to have fully read and understand the contents of this policy. I understand the expectations set forth by this policy and will uphold said expectations at all times during my role as a member of CSU Men’s Lacrosse. Failure to do so may directly affect my ability to participate as a member of the program.