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“Monthly Field Tip”

NJSIAA Girls Lacrosse Rule Clarification
by Barry Imboden*

Clarification of Rule 3, Section A – The Playing Area

This year the rule requires a minimum of 13 yards and a maximum of 20 yards of space behind each goal line, running the width of the field. This is an increase from the 2002 measurement.

The diagram in the Rule Book is unclear, and questions have arisen regarding this measurement. The 13 or more yards should be measured from the goal line, not the back of the crease.

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If the playing field is not long enough to accommodate 13 yards behind the goal, the goals must be moved closer together to maintain this space. Please reference Page 8 in the Rule Book.

Our State Rules Interpreter, Sue Paige, will contact all official’s chapters. Please advise your grounds crew.

*Barry Imboden, Supervisor of Buildings & Grounds at Hunterdon Central High School. He successfully had slit drainage and irrigation installed on his high school football field in June of 2002.

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- **Rutgers** July 31 - Rutgers Turf Research Field Day at the Adelphia Plant Science Research Station in Adelphia, New Jersey. 732-932-9711 ext. 135 (Sports Field Managers learn about the research on turf grasses to improve your turf fields).

- **SFMANJ**
  - August TBA – Equipment Demonstration & Field Day in Bergen County from 8:30am to 3pm. See info on page 1. Fliers are in the mail. Call 908-730-7770 for more information.

- **SFMANJ & RUTGERS PRESENTS**
  - October TBA – Infield mix Demonstrations and Classes at Rutgers Snyder Farm in Pittstown, NJ. Watch for info in the next newsletter.

- **NJRPA**
  - May 13th – Evesham Township, Marlton, NJ or
  - May 14th – Roxbury Township, Succasunna, NJ

  Playground Safety Certification Course, for information call 732-568-1270.

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