

NFHS Boys Lacrosse FAQs

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Q: A1, not in possession of the ball, is positioned near the crease. A2 takes a shot from outside the crease area and the ball rebounds into the air above the crease. A1 jumps into the air toward the crease, catches the ball in his crosse and shoots the ball while still airborne. The ball enters the goal, and then A1 lands in the crease. Is the goal allowed?

A: No, because A1 was not grounded before, during and after the shot and landed in the crease.

Q: A1 has possession of the ball outside of the crease area. A2 runs toward the crease and jumps or dives into the air toward the crease as A1 feeds the ball to him. While still airborne, A2 shoots at the goal. The ball enters the goal, and then A2 lands in the crease. Is the goal allowed?

A: No, because A2 (the shooter) was not grounded before, during and after the shot and landed in the crease.

Q: A1, not in possession of the ball, is positioned near the crease. A2 takes a shot from outside the crease area and the ball rebounds into the air above the crease. A1 leaps into the air, catches the ball in his crosse and shoots the ball while still airborne. The ball enters the goal, and then A1 lands outside of the crease. After landing outside the crease, A1's momentum carries him into the crease. Is the goal allowed?

A: Yes. The play is considered to have ended when A1 lands outside the crease after the ball entered the goal.

NOTE: In each of the above cases, batting the ball into the goal would result in the same ruling as catching and shooting the ball.

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Q: Team A has successfully advanced the ball into the attack goal area. A1 shoots at the goal and the ball rebounds and as a result crosses the center line. May Team A pick up the ball, and does a new 20-second count start?

A: Yes, Team A may regain possession and a new 20-second count starts.

Q: Team A has successfully advanced the ball into the attack goal area. A1 attempts a pass the ball to A2. The pass is deflected by B1 and crosses over the center line last touched by a defensive player. May Team A pick up the ball, and does a new 20-second count start?

A: Yes, Team A may regain possession and a new 20-second count starts.