## 18.2 Competition Structure

Eligibility to compete in programs of LC and its MAs is governed by the age limits for each category as established by the Sector.

18.2.1.2 Competition will be structured in the following categories:

Category	Age		
Senior Masters	35 and over		
Junior Masters	22 - 34		
Senior	22 and over		
Junior	21 and under		
U19	17 and 18		
U17	15 - 16		
U15	13 and 14		
U13	11 and 12		
U11	9 and 10		
U9	7 and 8		
U7	5 and 6		

- 18.2.1.3 Age is determined to be the age of a player that they will be in the calendar year of the current playing season. Calendar year is January 1 to December 31 of any given year. Example: for U19, player cannot turn 19 at any time during the calendar year to be eligible.
- 18.2.2 Affiliation Structure
  - 18.2.2.1 In Section 18.2.2 "team" shall mean a team that plays as a team in a league.
  - 18.2.2.2 The affiliation structure of teams is as follows. The affiliations between teams are listed vertically:

Sr. A	Sr. B	Sr. C	Jr. A	Jr. B
Sr. B	Sr. C	Jr. B	Jr. B	U19. A
Sr. C	Jr. B	U19. A	U19. A	U19. B
Jr. A	U19. A	U19. B	U19. B	U17
Jr. B	U19. B	U17	U17	

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- 18.2.2.3 Players of affiliated teams shall be eligible to compete with the higher category team in Association play downs provided that a list of applicable affiliations shall be sent to the National Office by the Member Association on or before August 10. The office shall forward a copy of the list(s) to LC Convenor and Series Convenor.
- 18.2.2.4 Unaffiliated players can play with teams of higher category as allowed by their Member Association.
- 18.2.2.5 Players may not affiliate 16U to Senior Lacrosse.
- 18.2.2.6 Masters Lacrosse will have a two-tier structure (Masters-Competitive, and Masters Sportsman) which will be differentiated by the Rules of Play for each tier.

## 18.2.3 MA Ratings

- 18.2.3.1 A Rating is set by the Box Sector and it identifies a type of team that an MA may send to LC National Championships or Competitions. The three Types of teams are:
  - 18.2.3.1.1 Type 1 Team: A club with allowance to pick up players from a lower category affiliated team as defined in this section.
  - 18.2.3.1.2 Type 2 Team: A club with allowance to pick up a maximum three (3) players from the same category and maximum three (3) players from a lower category affiliated team as defined in this section.
  - 18.2.3.1.3 Type 3 Team: An all star or select team in which all players in a given category are eligible. The players must be duly registered with the MA which they represent.