

Strathmore Venom Lacrosse Association

Goalie Equipment Policy – Effective 2026 Season

The Strathmore Venom Lacrosse Association (SVLA) is committed to supporting goalies with the equipment necessary to participate safely in the sport. To ensure proper care, accountability, and longevity of goalie equipment, the following policies will apply beginning with the 2026 season.

1. Equipment Cleaning Requirements

Start of Season:

- Goalies may take their issued equipment to a professional sports equipment cleaning service.
- SVLA will reimburse the cost of this one-time beginning-of-season cleaning upon submission of a receipt.

End of Season:

- All equipment must be professionally cleaned before being returned.
- A receipt confirming professional cleaning is required.
- The cost of end-of-season cleaning is the responsibility of the family.
- **No stripping of equipment is permitted**, as it can damage the integrity of the gear.

2. Helmet Requirements

- Beginning with the 2026 season:
 - U11 and older divisions: Goalies must provide their own CSA-approved helmet.
 - U9 and younger divisions: Neck guards will continue to be supplied by SVLA.

3. Equipment Fees

To maintain the quality and availability of goalie gear, the following fees will apply:

- **Non-Refundable Rental Fee – \$100:** Charged once per season to offset general wear and tear.
- **Refundable Deposit – \$200:** Returned in full at the end of the season if equipment is:
 - Returned on time,
 - Professionally cleaned (receipt required), and
 - In good condition (normal wear and tear excepted).

4. Multi-Goalie Team Incentive

- For U13 and older divisions, if a team has two or more goalies, each goalie will receive a **50% discount on registration fees**.
- This incentive is intended to encourage participation and shared responsibilities at higher levels of play.

5. Care and Responsibility

- Goalies and their families are expected to exercise proper care and responsibility for all issued equipment.
- Any damage resulting from misuse, neglect, or unauthorized alterations may result in loss of deposit and/or additional costs assessed to the family.

Approved by Strathmore Venom Lacrosse Association Executive

Effective Date: 2026 Season