

Duxbury Youth Lacrosse Player Helmet Policy (January, 2023)

The Duxbury Youth Lacrosse program teaches boys the fundamentals of the game, sportsmanship, competition and teamwork. We are "One Program - One Team" and when wearing a Duxbury lacrosse uniform, a player is representing Duxbury. When participating in a DYL program, our boys deserve to be safe as they compete and represent Duxbury.

DYL's Helmet Policy:

To achieve safe play and to remind ourselves and our competitors that Duxbury Youth Lacrosse is One Program – One Team, the following is DYL's policy for helmets within our program.

- Registered players will practice and compete in NOCSAE approved helmets at all times.
- The helmet will be properly fitted and in good condition.
- Helmets can be any color. As the boys increase in age, black or black and dark green accented helmets predominate in the program but are not required.
- Branded club program lacrosse helmets are prohibited in competition and are discouraged at all other times when practicing with DYL.
- If a player or parent is interested in buying a new helmet, DYL will typically stock the latest model helmet which is the same as those used in high school. They will be available atcost, which is typically much less than retail. (for example, in 2022 DYL made a bulk order at a per helmet cost of \$220. The same helmet was available retail for \$319.)
- Should a player or his family require financial support to obtain a qualifying helmet, there are two options available.
 - Contact the DYL president to arrange to buy a helmet with a \$30 per month automatic ACH or credit card payment. After the first payment, the player will be given a new qualifying helmet. The helmet purchased will be a current model helmet with appropriate Duxbury coloring and it should last the player for years. There is no finance charge.
 - Contact the DYL president or your grade-level coach to secure a qualifying used helmet for \$40, if available.
- Coaches are instructed to promote "One Program One Team" and may remind players who are not in compliance with this policy (i.e. wearing club helmet) but ultimately, it is a DYL Board member that will address the player's parent or guardian.