

Tournament Rules Overview

Pre-Game

1. Maximum of 15 players per roster. Player must be dedicated to the team she is rostered on.
2. All teams must have 5 eligible players to start a game. There will be a 5-minute grace period before a team must declare a forfeit.
3. All teams will be responsible for bringing their own warm up balls. A regulation size ball will be used in all games and will be approved by the referee.
4. Uniform tops must be the same color for each team member with a number on the back. If opposing teams have the same colored jerseys, the team listed first (home team) will be required to wear an alternate color.
5. Home team is responsible for providing a scoreboard keeper. The opposing team will mark the official score sheet.
6. The Tournament Director will provide a scoreboard keeper for all finals games.
7. Teams will be allowed **5-minute** warm-ups, maximum. Actual time is at the discretion of the referees in order to keep games on schedule.

Game Time Guidelines

1. **Two 20-minute half's** with a running clock.
2. Clock stops on these occasions only:
 - a. Injuries
 - b. Timeouts
 - c. Last 1-minute of each half.
 - d. Upon direction of a referee
3. **Half time** will be **3-minutes or discretion of the referee.**
4. If **overtime** is needed, a 30 second timeout will be taken at the end of the 2nd half prior to the start of the **1-minute long** overtime. This will be a stopped clock period.
5. If a **second overtime** period is needed, a 30 second timeout will be taken at the end of the 1st overtime prior to the start of the 2nd overtime. Second overtime is decided by **sudden death**. This also is a stopped clock period

Timeouts

1. Each team will get **three (3) full (45 second) timeouts per game.**
2. No timeouts are given in the overtime period(s).

Fouls

1. All foul shots will be taken per regulation NIGFBA rules.
2. Two technicals will result in an ejection from the game for the player or the coach receiving them. Anyone receiving 2 technicals will not be allowed to participate in the rest of the tournament.

Miscellaneous

1. Man-to man defense is required for 5th, 6th and 7th grades in the half-court.
2. No pressing is allowed when a team is up by 15 points or more.
Penalty: 1st violation = warning
2nd violation = the defense is assessed a 2-shot technical foul.
3. Full court press is allowed anytime in 7th & 8th grade games unless up by 15 points. 5th & 6th grade can press in the 2nd half only.
4. All other rules shall be in accordance with the current IHSA Rules.
5. The referees have full authority on the courts and will not tolerate any abuse by fans, coaches and players.

Conduct Guidelines

Sportsmanship

Unsportsmanlike behavior has no place in sports or this tournament and, therefore, will not be tolerated. Players will be respectful of the referees, opposing players, opposing coaches and opposing fans. It is up to the adults and these kid's role models to set a proper example for proper conduct.

Coaches are responsible for the conduct of their assistant coaches, players and fans. If a coach or a player is assessed two technicals, they **MUST** leave the tournament and the premises.

If a fan is ejected from the court area, the fan will be asked to leave the premises and the coach will not be allowed to coach the rest of that game.

If a coach, player or fan refuses to leave the area immediately, the referee and Tournament Director have the authority to assess a forfeit for that game.

Premises

We ask that you talk with your players and parents to assure that people stay in the designated areas. No bouncing of balls in the hallways and non-players will not be allowed on the courts at any time. Roaming hallways and going thru lockers by guests will not be tolerated. Parents should monitor their children (players' siblings); they should not be left unattended or free to roam the halls. We will re-direct guests and will make notations on what programs they are supporting. Any damage or reports of stolen items will be dealt with by our local law enforcement department.

Concessions

It has been requested from our High School that only water be brought into the gym and field house areas for the players.

Housekeeping

After every game, each team is responsible to clean up the bench area. Leave it cleaner than you found it.

Dispute Resolution

Bryan Becker (847.302.6184 cell) and **Mike Katz** (847.828.6225 cell) are the Co-Directors for this tournament. If there is a complaint or dispute that cannot be satisfied by the referee or assigned Court Marshal, you can seek out either Mike and/or Bryan for resolution. One of the two of them will be seated at the Tournament headquarters table just outside the main gym at all times. Their decision is final.

Support

There will be plenty of volunteer support on site. Please feel free to request directions or information from any of these volunteers. We want everyone to have an enjoyable experience with our tournament.