



Youth Basketball Rules

1st-2nd Grade

1. **Length of Game:** We will play (2) 12-minute halves; with a 2 minute halftime. Every three minutes there will be a substitution timeout for both teams. The clock will only stop for the substitution time out and if a timeout is called.
2. **Playing Time:** We encourage that every player must play at least half of the game. All players should have a chance to learn and have fun, regardless of the players experience or ability.
3. **Referee:** There will be one referee on the court in this division. The coaches will be on the floor to help out his or her team as the game is going on. When the referee calls a foul or violation, the referee will educate the player what the violation was and then will give the ball back to the team that had the ball.
4. **Free throw attempts:** There will be no Free Throw attempts in this Division
5. **Basketball Size:** We will use 27.5 in this Division.
6. **Defense:** Man to Man only. Players must guard the other teams matching wristband. No double-teaming a player who has the basketball. A defensive player can steal the ball from an offensive player.
7. **Fast breaks:** No fast breaks will be allowed after getting the rebound.

Once the defensive team gets the rebound, the team that was on offense must go back to the other end of the court.
8. **Offense:** Any legal offense can be used in this age division.
9. **Picking up the offensive player:** You must wait to pick up the offensive players at the 3-point line.
10. **Scoring:** No score will be kept on the clock or in the scorebook in this division.
11. **Flagrant Behavior:** Flagrant behavior as a coach, player or parent will NOT BE TOLERATED! Please have good sportsmanship during the game.
12. **Facilities:** Coaches, please remind your players that it is a privilege for us to be able to use these facilities. Please help clean up all trash by your bench and also the bleachers.