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Basketball Tournament Rules

The following set of rules will be used and will also be posted at each scorers table.

- The first team listed on the schedule will be the "Home" team and will provide the official scorer. Scoresheets will be provided. Official scorer must sit at scorer's table.
- The second team listed on the schedule will be the "Visiting" team and will operate the clock.
- The Visiting team may also have an unofficial score keeper at scorer's table.
- The Home team supplies game ball.
- Age divisions enforced. Bring athlete ID to verify age upon demand. Tournament director reserves the right to suspend any athlete unable to verify age.
- Each team will be responsible for bringing pinnies or reversible jerseys.
- Jewelry rule strictly enforced - take it out/off if you want to play.
- There will be a 5 minute warm-up before each game. If games are ahead of schedule, the clock will be set for 10 minutes at the conclusion of the previous game.
- *Coaches - Please be at your game site at least 30 minutes prior to your scheduled game time; the game may start up to 10 minutes before the scheduled time.*
- 16 minute halves (stop time); 10 second backcourt; 3 minute half-time
- Closely Guarded 5 Second Rule will only be in effect for Held Ball for both Boys and Girls
- **FOULS**
 - Double bonus at 10 team fouls.
 - No 1 & 1 at 7 fouls.
 - Play the "release" on foul shots for both Girls and Boys.
 - 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th Grade Teams – 6 personal fouls.
 - 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th Grade Teams—5 personal fouls.
 - Technical Fouls – Automatic 2 points and the ball at half-court. Players will shoot Technical Fouls last 2 minutes of the second half.
- **TIME OUTS**
 - 2 fulls and 2 thirtys to be used at anytime. No carry-over for OT.
 - 1 full time-out per OT.
 - Head Coach may call time-out from bench
- First 3 OT - 1 minute each. In 4th OT, winner is 1st team to score 2 points.
- The game clock will run during the last **8 minutes** of the second half if a team has a 20 point lead. It will go back to stop at 15 points.
- Clock will not stop on a made basket in the last minute of play.
- All other NYS/NCAA rules apply.
- Decisions by the Referees are Final.