

# TEAM Basketball Rules & Regulations

## 7th & 8th Grade Division

### Eligibility and Participation

- This division includes players in the 7th & 8th grade and under who are fourteen (14) years old or younger.
- **Every child is required to play a minimum of 10 minutes of each game, provided the child has not faced disciplinary action.**
- **Parents are strongly encouraged to make every effort to bring their child to at least (1) hour of practice a week. We understand the constraints that work and a child's other extra curricular activities may have on this schedule. Therefore, in situations such as these, practice attendance shall NOT have an effect on a child's playing time in a game.**
- If there is a discipline problem or if a player is ill or injured, it must be noted on the score sheet prior to the start of the game. Indicate "D" for discipline; "I" for injury/illness. On the reverse of the score sheet the coach must give the player's name and number and the reason for the disciplinary action.
- Players who are being disciplined or who have been designated as injured/ill will not be allowed to enter the game and will be considered ineligible for that game. The officials will not knowingly permit these players to enter a game but, in any event, the responsibility lies with the coach.
- The playing of an ineligible player will result in a forfeit whether done intentionally or not.

### Scorekeepers/ Bookkeepers

- Each team will be required to provide (1) volunteer to sit at the scorer's table for every game. (i.e., parent volunteer, assistant coach, etc.)

### Uniforms

- Every player is required to wear the exact jersey that was issued to them by TEAM, or by a school representative with permission from TEAM, at the start of the season. No exceptions. In the event a jersey is lost or damaged, the league must be notified immediately so that a replacement jersey can be issued. Replacement jerseys shall be issued at a cost of \$25 and turnaround times can take 2-3 weeks.

### Duration of the Game

- Games will consist of two 15 minute halves with a running clock.
- 2 minute halftime
- Score will be kept

### Live Ball and Dead Ball

- Jump ball to start the game.
- The clock will stop for time-outs. During the last two (2) minutes of the game, the clock shall stop when an official signals for out of bounds, a foul, a held ball, or violation. Clock is also stopped by officials because of an injury, to confer with scorer or timer, because of an unusual delay in getting a dead ball live, or for an emergency. The clock will then restart on the official's whistle.

### Supplemental Rules

- Games shall be played on a full court
- 2 and 3 point field goals.
- 3 second violations will be called
- Shooting fouls, charging, and blocking, etc. will be called and foul shots will be awarded.
- Traveling and double dribble will be called.

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- Stealing the basketball is permitted.
- Shots may be contested and blocked.
- Teams will be allowed to play any type of defense. (i.e., man to man, zone, etc.)

### **Time Outs**

Each team is entitled to 4 charged time-outs per game (2 per half, no carry overs) During an overtime period, each team is allowed one time-out.

### **Overtime**

- 2 minutes
- Jump ball for possession
- 1 time out per team
- If tied at the end of the overtime period, the game will result in a tie.

### **Official Ball/ Goal Height**

- Youth size ball 29.5 (Size 7).
- 10 Feet

### **Substitutions**

- There may be any number of substitutions.
- A substitute who desires to enter the game must:
  - a) Report to the scorer
  - b) Give his/her number of the player he/she is replacing.
- When substituting more than one player, all players must report at the same time to enter the game.
- When substituting between halves, substitutes must report to the scorer table.

### **Full Court Press / Mercy Rule**

- Full Court Press is permitted unless ahead by 20 points or more.
- If a team continues to press after being up by 20 points, the ball will be awarded to the offended team at mid-court by means of a throw-in.
- Once a team is leading by 30 points, the clock does not stop for the remainder of the game unless a foul or time-out is called.

### **Conduct of Parents, Players, Coaches, and Spectators**

- Only team members and coaches who have passed an official background check by TEAM are to be present on the bench during a game.
- All Warnings and Technical Fouls issued to coaches for misconduct will be subject to a suspension.
- All disciplinary action shall be carried out per the guidelines set forth in the following documents:
  - TEAM Disciplinary Policy
  - Coaches Code of Conduct
  - Players Code of Conduct
  - Parents Code of Conduct

The Toledo Elementary Athletics Movement (TEAM) reserves the right to remove any parent, player, coach, or spectator at any time for conduct that is deemed to be detrimental to the league and our organization.