

# ARLINGTON HEIGHTS PARK DISTRICT YOUTH BASKETBALL 3 on 3 TOURNAMENT RULES

AHPD (standard basketball) rules apply except as modified below.

## **COACHING:**

Only players may coach during games. No other coaching is allowed. Adult supervision of substitutions is allowed.

## **PLAYER REGISTRATION / ROSTER CHANGES:**

Teams will be placed into divisions based upon grade and gender. Any team or player determined by the Tournament Director to have falsified age will be dismissed from the tournament. Teams that span more than one age group will be placed into the division of the oldest, most experienced player on the team. The tournament administration will make every effort to place teams into divisions with similar players. Depending on the number of registered participants, divisions may be combined.

All players must be registered on their team's registration form before the tournament begins. Teams must check-in at the Registration Table at least 30 minutes prior to their first game. Every effort must be made to check in as a full team, as opposed to individual players checking in one at a time.

Any changes to the roster because of an emergency after the team's first game must be first submitted to tournament officials before the player may be allowed to play. The player who is deleted from the roster may no longer participate in the tournament.

Tournament officials have the right to require proof of the reason for substitutions. A ruling by tournament officials is final and may not be appealed. Any substitute player cannot be rostered on another tournament team in the same age group and competitive level.

## **NUMBER OF PLAYERS:**

Four is the maximum number of players on a team; three on court players and one substitute (A team must have a minimum of three players).

Players may only play on one team per division.

## **SUBSTITUTIONS:**

Substitutions may be made at any dead-ball situation, at the referee's discretion, regardless of possession. Teams must get the referee's attention and players are to enter and exit the court.

## **TEAM UNIFORMS:**

All players must wear shirts during play and each team must bring both a light and dark colored jersey/shirt. If both teams are wearing the same color, the home team must change to avoid conflicts. Braces with exposed metal will not be allowed. No jewelry will be allowed, including earrings of any type, rope necklaces and bracelets. The only exception will be players wearing medical bracelets.

## **TOURNAMENT EQUIPMENT:**

Make sure to wear supportive gym shoes (black sole shoes are strictly prohibited). Tournament officials are responsible for providing game balls. (Both women and men basketballs will be provided. Determining the ball size will be based upon division played in).

## **COURT DIMENSIONS:**

The basketball court will be divided based upon the amount of team entries.

## **THE SCORING:**

A field goal is worth one point. Any basket made from behind the designated line will be counted as two points. The player shooting must have both feet completely behind the line in order for the basket to be counted.

## **CLEARING THE BALL:**

To start play, the ball must be checked in at the top of the 3-point line. The ball must be passed in to start play.

After a defensive rebound and steals, the ball must be cleared by having both feet behind the 3-point line. This can be done by dribbling behind the 3-point line or by passing to a teammate.

Offensive rebounds do not have to be cleared.

**FIRST & SECOND GRADE ONLY:** After a defensive rebound, the rebounding team may clear the ball to the top of the 3-point line undefended.

## **DEFENSE:**

All teams must play man-to-man defense, but switching and double-teaming are allowed.

## **FOULS AND VIOLATIONS:**

Each game will be assigned a referee. All calls will be made by him/her. The main purpose of having a referee present is to provide a learning experience for the participants.

If a foul is made while the participant is shooting, the shooting foul will be handled in the following way:

**BASKET MADE:** Count the basket, and one free throw is rewarded. Regardless if the basket is missed or made possession goes to the defensive team.

**BASKET MISSED:** If the free throw is made, possession goes to the defensive team. If the free throw is missed, possession is then given back to the offensive team.

On the seventh team foul, the team will have the option of shooting the free throw or taking possession of the ball. Defense will receive the ball regardless if the free throw is made or not.

### **GAME DURATION:**

First team to reach 15 points and win by two (example: 15-17, 13-15), or after 15 minutes of playing time (whichever comes first). Score is final after 15 minutes unless it is a tie.

In the event of a tie after the 15 minutes is up, a coin toss will be used to determine possession of the ball. The next score will determine the winner.

This tournament is pool play into a single-elimination bracket, therefore after your team's first game has ended, please be patient and wait for the tournament officials to reveal the upcoming games.

The tournament will be broken down into divisions based upon gender/grade level. The team to finish first in their division will be named tournament champions.

All jump balls will be awarded to the defensive team.

### **TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR:**

In the event of a misapplication of the official 3 on 3 Rules, the tournament director reserves the right to overturn a referee decision. The Tournament Director has final authority regarding all event disputes and issues.

### **SPORTSMANSHIP:**

Players and spectators are expected to act in the nature of good sportsmanship at all times. Fighting will not be tolerated! Players and fans guilty of fighting will be banned for the duration of the event. Abuse of the referee, verbal or otherwise, will not be tolerated. The court Referee, Tournament Director, and/or Tournament Staff will have the authority to eject any offending party. Any indication of such behavior by a player or fan will result in their immediate removal from the tournament site. We are all here to play basketball, learn new/ improve skills, make new friends and have fun.

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