



Somerset, Kentucky  
**HOOP'N Tournaments**

**Welcome!**

- Thank you for participating in a Hoop Tournaments Event in Somerset KY!
- **Exposure Events** will be used for all real time Tournament Communication.



- Schedules will be communicated via Exposure App.
- Any changes will be live within the Exposure App & Coach chat is applicable.
- Final Brackets will be posted live after scores are entered and notifications sent to coaches.
- If you need anything at any time please contact our host team coaches or tournament directors listed below.

Tournament contacts

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- In this letter you will find:
  - o Tournament Rules
  - o Location Information
  - o Payment Information
  - o Ticketing
  - o Concession



## TOURNAMENT RULES

- **Waivers & Rosters** must be signed by coach and parents prior to pool play\*
- Rules not listed below will refer to Tournament Director for final say, when applicable we will adhere to **KHSAA** rules and guidelines\*\*

### Game Rules

<p><b>Clock</b></p>	<p>Games will consist of two (2) 16:00 halves running clock until the final 2:00 of 2nd half only.</p>
<p><b>Responsibility</b></p>	<p>HEAD COACH'S RESPONSIBILITY</p> <p>The head coach is ultimately responsible for the conduct and behavior of his/her team, assistant coaches, and fans.</p>
<p><b>Directors</b></p>	<p>GYM DIRECTOR and TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR</p> <p>The gym director has the authority to make decisions that are in the best interest of the tournament. Please direct all questions or concerns to the gym director. All protests must be directed to the gym director (if not available then protesting team should notify scorekeeper-play the remainder of the game, and wait for the gym director or tournament director to make ruling after the game). The gym directors will work alongside the tournament director to ensure the success of the tournament.</p>
<p><b>Bench Personnel</b></p>	<p>BENCH PERSONNEL</p> <p>The only people allowed on the bench are the players, head coach, and 2 other non-players (assistant coach(es), scorekeeper, etc). All of these</p>



	<p>individuals should be included on the team roster.</p>
<b>Bench Decorum</b>	<p><b>BENCH DECORUM</b> Only the head coach is allowed to address officials. All other coaches and players must be seated. Any coach that receives a technical foul must remain seated the remainder of the game. Also, teams should clean their bench area immediately after the game.</p>
<b>Ejections</b>	<p><b>EJECTIONS</b></p> <p>First Ejection - For coaches other bench personnel or players, the first occurrence of an ejection by a referee results in the suspension for the game and removal from the gymnasium. The ejected individual is not permitted in the gymnasium for the remainder of the game and the game will not resume until the ejected party has left the gymnasium</p> <p>Second Ejection - If an individual is ejected a second time they will be suspended from the remainder of the tournament.</p>
<b>Spectator Behavior</b>	<p><b>PARENT and SPECTATOR BEHAVIOR</b></p> <p>Parents and spectators will be held to the same requirements as listed above for coaches and players.</p>



<b>Defense</b>	<p>3rd(9u) &amp; up, All defenses allowed          2nd(8u), No full court press (token, trap, or zone) until the final 2:00 minutes of 2<sup>nd</sup> half.</p> <p><b>(**Players will not be forced to retreat to half court after an inbounds change of possession or missed shot. If an offensive player advances in transition, the ball and defense are live. The 'no press' rule is only in effect when the ball is being taken out of bounds.)</b></p>
<b>Goal Height &amp; Ball Size</b>	<p><b>Boys</b>          2nd(8u): 9ft/28.5          3rd(9u)-5th(11u): 10ft/28.5          6th(12u) and up: 10ft/29.5</p> <p><b>Girls</b>          2nd(8u): 9ft/28.5          3rd(9u) and up: 10ft/28.5</p>
<b>Fouls</b>	<p><b>Players</b> will foul out after receiving five (5) fouls.  <b>Team</b> will enter 1:1 bonus at 7 team fouls and double bonus at 10, per half.</p>
<b>Time Outs</b>	<p>Each team will have a total of three (3) full timeouts per game.</p>
<b>Overtime</b>	<p>2:00 minute</p> <p>Each team will receive 1 additional timeout</p> <p>After first OT, then Sudden Death.</p>
<b>Warm-Ups</b>	<p>5 Min (when time allows)</p>
<b>Home Team</b>	<p>First Team Listed, (unless otherwise printed)</p>
<b>Away Team</b>	<p>Second Team Listed (unless otherwise printed)</p>
<b>Official Bookkeeper</b>	<p>Home Team (unless tournament provides)</p>
<b>Official Clock Keeper</b>	<p>Away Team (unless tournament provides)</p>
<b>Mercy Rule</b>	<p>If a team is up by 20 points or more in the final 2 minutes of the 1st half, the clock will stop for timeouts only.</p> <p>If a team is up by 20 points or more in the final 2</p>



	minutes of the 2nd half, the clock will stop for timeouts only.
<b>Age Rule</b>	See AAU Age Based regulations outline in *Appendix A. below.
<b>Age Challenge Rule</b>	<p>An opposing coach may challenge a player's age/grade exception, for a \$100 deposit. If correct, \$100 will be refunded. If Incorrect, the deposit will not be refunded.</p> <p>Only the head coach or one bench assistant may file a protest – parents or fans cannot protest.</p> <p>Protests must be submitted before the game or within 30 minutes after the game's completion.</p> <p>The Tournament Director will review all documentation, and make the final decision.</p>

### **Tournament Bracket Seeding Format**

1. Overall Record
2. Head to Head
3. Points Diff
4. Points Allowed
5. Coin Flip (Director)



### LOCATION INFORMATION

<b>Site One(SMS)</b>	<b>Southern Middle School</b> 200 Enterprise Dr. Somerset, KY 42501
<b>Site Two(SWC)</b>	<b>Southern Pulaski Wellness Center</b> 310 Electric Ave. Somerset, KY 42501 (Walking distance from Southern Middle School).
<b>Site Three(SWHS)</b>	<b>Southwestern High School</b> 1765 WTLO Rd. Somerset, KY 42503
<b>Rocky Hollow Recreation Center</b>	<b>142 S Central Ave, Somerset, KY 42501</b>

### PAYMENT INFORMATION

Payment Amounts:

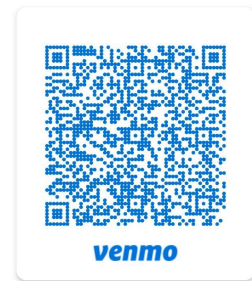
- \$200.00 Team Entry Fee
- \$175.00 Team Entry Fee (*Multiple Teams*)
  - *One day tournament entry is \$150 per team.*

Payment Types:

- Cash/Check at the door.
- Venmo: (@smsbbb)  
(List team name/grade/contact person)

SMS Boys Basketball Boosters

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### TICKETING INFORMATION

- \$15.00 Event pass
- 12 & under Free
- Entry good for all locations



## Appendix A

# 2026 AAU Boys' Basketball Eligibility Requirements

### 7U/1st Grade

An athlete can be no older than 7 on or before August 31, 2026. Grade Policy: An athlete who is in the 1st grade as of October 1, 2025 and who is no older than 8 on or before August 31, 2026, is eligible to compete in the 7U/1st Grade division.

### 8U/2nd Grade

An athlete can be no older than 8 on or before August 31, 2026. Grade Policy: An athlete who is in the 2nd grade as of October 1, 2025 and who is no older than 9 on or before August 31, 2026, is eligible to compete in the 8U/2nd Grade division.

### 9U/3rd Grade

An athlete can be no older than 9 on or before August 31, 2026. Grade Policy: An athlete who is in the 3rd grade as of October 1, 2025 and who is no older than 10 on or before August 31, 2026, is eligible to compete in the 9U/3rd Grade division.

### 10U/4th Grade

An athlete can be no older than 10 on or before August 31, 2026. Grade Policy: An athlete who is in the 4th grade as of October 1, 2025 and who is no older than 11 on or before August 31, 2026, is eligible to compete in the 10U/4th Grade division.

### 11U/5th Grade

An athlete can be no older than 11 on or before August 31, 2026. Grade Policy: An athlete who is in the 5th grade as of October 1, 2025 and who is no older than 12 on or before August 31, 2026, is eligible to compete in the 11U/5th Grade division.

### 12U/6th Grade

An athlete can be no older than 12 on or before August 31, 2026. Grade Policy: An athlete who is in the 6th grade as of October 1, 2025 and who is no older than 13 on or before August 31, 2026, is eligible to compete in the 12U/6th Grade division.

### 13U/7th Grade

An athlete can be no older than 13 on or before August 31, 2026. Grade Policy: An athlete who is in the 7th grade as of October 1, 2025 and who is no older than 14 on or before August 31, 2026, is eligible to compete in the 13U/7th Grade division.

### 14U/8th Grade

An athlete can be no older than 14 on or before August 31, 2026. Grade Policy: An athlete who is in the 8th grade as of October 1, 2025 and who is no older than 15 on or before August 31, 2026, is eligible to compete in the 14U/8th Grade division.

### 15U/9TH GRADE

An athlete can be no older than 15 on or before August 31, 2026. Grade Policy: An athlete who is in the 9th Grade as of October 1, 2025 and who is no older than 16 on or before August 31, 2026 is eligible to compete in the 15U/9th Grade division.

### 16U/10TH GRADE

An athlete can be no older than 16 on or before August 31, 2026. Grade Policy: An athlete who is in the 10th Grade as of October 1, 2025 and who is no older than 17 on or before August 31, 2026 is eligible to compete in the 16U/10th Grade division.

### 17U/11TH GRADE

An athlete can be no older than 17 on or before August 31, 2026. Grade Policy: An athlete who is in the 11th Grade as of October 1, 2025 and who is no older than 18 on or before August 31, 2026 is eligible to compete in the 17U/11th Grade division.

### 19U/12TH GRADE

An athlete can be no older than 19 on or before August 31, 2026. Grade Policy: An athlete who is in the 12th Grade as of October 1, 2025 and who is no older than 20 on or before August 31, 2026 is eligible to compete in the 19U/12th Grade division.