



HARTFORD BOYS' BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT RULES

Saturday, December 5th, 2026

Hartford Union High School (805 Cedar St, Hartford, 53027)

Central Middle School (1100 Cedar St, Hartford, WI 53027)

Waiver of Release:

The HBC, its members, the Hartford Union School District, and the School District of Hartford Jt. #1 shall not be held responsible for personal injury of any player or fan or loss of individual property during the tournament.

Rules:

WIAA Rules unless noted below.

- Regulation size basketball for grades 7 & 8. 28.5 size basketball for grades 5 & 6.
- All players must be in the same school district **(No AAU Teams)**
- WIAA Officials will be used, and their decisions are final
- 20-minute halves with a running clock except for the last minute of the first half and the last 2 minutes of the second half.
 - Continuous clock in 2nd half if over 20 point lead
- 3-minute half time is allowed
- Teams should stretch and be ready to play. Warm-ups as time permits.
- 3 full timeouts per game with 1 full timeout in overtime
 - No timeouts carry over from regulation
- 2-minute overtime (when necessary) where clock stops on every dead ball
- **5th Grade:** Man-to-Man Defense only (NO ZONE Defense), help side defense is allowed and is at the discretion of the referees. No pressing until the final minute of each half. Players are allowed to jump over the free throw line.
- **6th-8th Grade:** All defenses are allowed for the entire tournament, including both zone and press.
- No pressing if a team is up by **15** or more points.
- Any technical foul is two points and the ball is awarded to the opponent.
- Shoot bonus on 7th team fouls and double bonus on 10th team foul.
- Please bring your own practice balls.
- Each team is asked to provide ONE PERSON to help at the scorer's table.
- A maximum of 12 players per team are eligible to receive awards.
- Awards will be given out to first, second place teams along with the consolation bracket champions.
- Players and up to two coaches and one scorer's table volunteer will receive free admission per team.

This event is meant to be a fun and enjoyable experience for the players, coaches, and spectators.

Good sportsmanship by everyone involved is expected and appreciated!