

# Game Rules

**GAME LENGTH:** All to have a running clock with the exception of final two (2) minutes of each half (6 & Under final one (1) minute) and;

- a. 6 & Under and 8 & under Divisions of play to have four (4) six (6) minute quarters
- b. 10 & Under, 12 & Under, and 14 & Under divisions of play to have four (4) eight (8) minute quarters.
- c. The clock stops only on timeouts. The game officials may use their discretion to stop the clock for injury, ball retrieval, etc.
- d. **POINT SPREAD RULE:** If one team is ahead by fifteen (15) or more points during the last two (2) minutes of each half, the clock will remain a running clock, except for time-outs.
- e. **TIMEOUTS:** Each team shall be allowed four (4) one-minute timeouts per game. In case of overtime, each team shall be allowed one (1) additional one-minute timeout, as well as any timeouts remaining from regulation.
- f. **OVERTIME:** If the score is tied at the end of regulation play, a two (2) minute overtime period will be played. The clock will stop on each whistle by the officials.
  - i. In the 6 & Under division, a one (1) minute overtime period will be played.
- g. **LANE VIOLATIONS:**
  - a) 14 & Under and 12 & Under will play by official rules.
  - b) 10 & Under and 8 & Under will have five (5) second lane violations.
- h. **FULL COURT DEFENSE (PRESS):**
  - a) 14 & Under, 12 & Under, and all D1 Divisions may play full court defense at any time.
  - b) 10 & Under Division II only: may play full court defense until a 15-point lead is obtained. The trailing team may continue to press.
  - c) 8 & Under may play full court defense during the last minute of the second half and at all times during any overtime period(s).
  - d) 8 & Under and 10 & Under Divisions: If any team is 15 points or more ahead, no full court defense (press) will be allowed. 12 & Under and 14 & Under Divisions: If any team is 20 points or more ahead, no full court defense (press) will be allowed.
  - e) 6 & Under must setup defense behind the 3-point line. Half court press is allowed in the last two (2) minutes of the 2<sup>nd</sup> half and full court press is allowed in the last one (1) minute of the 2<sup>nd</sup> half.

- f) **VIOLATION:** Each team shall be issued one warning per half, in which the whistle is blown and the offended team brings the ball in play on their offensive front court at the mid-court opposite the scorer's table and team benches. Additional violations shall result in a technical foul.
- g) **BALL SIZE:** The official ball size for divisions:
- a. 14 & Under and 12 & Under BOYS' will use the regulation size basketball as specified by the Federation Rule Book.
  - b. 10 & Under and 8 & Under BOYS' will use the official women's basketball.
  - c. All GIRLS' divisions will use the official women's basketball.
  - d. 6 & Under will use a youth size basketball.