



## **Basketball Rules (K-1/2nd-3rd)**

### Basket Height:

- K-1 Divisions will use - 8 feet
- 2nd- 3<sup>rd</sup> grade Division will use - 9 feet

### Players:

- 5 on 5 for all divisions

### Scoring:

- No score is kept for kindergarten through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade divisions except for the final March Madness games. Scores will be kept for all games in the 4<sup>th</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> grade division.

### Game Length:

- Running clock – four 8 minute quarters with a 2 minute halftime.
- Clock stops on all dead balls the last 2 minutes of the game for 4<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> grade division if the game is within 10 points.

### Timeouts:

- 1 per quarter for each team. We normally call a timeout at the 4:00 minute mark of each quarter to allow for substitutions.

### Game Rules:

- No pressing in any division.
- No swatting at the ball when it is in a player's hands for k – 3<sup>rd</sup> divisions.
- No stealing the dribble in the k – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade divisions.
- Coaches will be allowed on the court in the k – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade divisions.
- Zone defenses are prohibited. Teams may only use a man-to-man defense.
- All fouls will be played out of bounds in the k – 2<sup>nd</sup> divisions. Free throws will be shot during shooting fouls in all other divisions.
- As this is an introductory league and a learning experience, leniency on 3 seconds, traveling, and double dribbling in the k – 3<sup>rd</sup> grade divisions will be granted. Our referees will try to teach and instruct while officiating.

**This league is designed for all participating to have a fun time.  
This league is strictly recreational and an introduction to positive  
fitness.**

**Emphasis is placed on enjoyment rather than winning.  
We want an atmosphere that creates an enjoyable childhood memory!!**

**Good sportsmanship is a strict requirement!**