



The Opener & Saturday Shootout Rules

National Federation High School (NFHS) rules, except for the following changes/additions/clarifications:

REMINDERS:

- A. *Restricted area will be used if marked. If not marked, WILL NOT be used - charges allowed under basket.*
- B. *4th Grade Girls – 27.5 Ball. 5th-11th Girls – 28.5 Ball, Boys Grades 3 and 4 will use the 27.5 basketball. Boys Grades 5 and 6 will use the 28.5 basketball. Boys Grades 7 and up will use the 29.5 basketball.*

Game Timing / Timeouts / Overtimes:

1. Length of game 3rd + 4th grade games will be 20 minute running time halves with stop time in the last 2 minutes. 5th-8th grade games will be 14 minute halves. 9th-11th grade games will be 16 minute halves.
2. Time outs: Each team shall receive (2) Full and (2) 30-Second time outs per game.
3. Overtime: First overtime will be 2 minutes stop time. If the game is still tied, the 2nd overtime will be the first team to score two points. Each team will receive (1) Additional 30 second timeout for the 1st overtime only. No additional time-outs will be granted if the game goes beyond the 1st overtime. Teams are allowed to carry-over time-outs from regulation to overtime and from 1st overtime to sudden death.
4. Forfeit Rule: A team must have 5 players to start a game. Forfeit time will be 5 minutes after the scheduled tip. Forfeits will be scored 15-0.
5. Warm up: A minimum of 2 minutes will be given for pregame warm up. Games may start early with mutual consent by both head coaches and both officials.
6. Halftime: Halftime will be 2 minutes. The site director may reduce halftime if the court is running behind schedule.

Fouls / Free Throws

7. Fouls: A player fouls out at 5 fouls. 1&1 free throws awarded on the 7th team foul of the half and (2) free throws awarded on and after 10 team fouls.
8. Free Throws: On the release players may enter the lane. Shooter and other players behind the 3 point line may enter the lane as ball touches rim. 3rd and 4th graders may shoot free throws from 12 feet.
9. Any technical foul given to the head coach or assistant coach shall result in the head coach losing their coaching box privileges for the remainder of that game (seatbelt rule). Any player thrown out of a game will need to sit out the next game. **This rule will be enforced.**
10. Since we are using volunteers as score-keepers, an error in the official book WILL NOT result in a technical foul.

Other Administrative Rules & Information

11. HOME team is listed TOP/FIRST on Tournament Depot (online) and will wear DARK jerseys.
12. AWAY team is listed BOTTOM/SECOND on Tournament Depot (online) and will wear LIGHT jerseys.
13. **TABLE – EACH TEAM WILL PROVIDE A VOLUNTEER TO BE AT THE TABLE. HOME WILL DO THE SCOREBOARD, VISITOR WILL DO THE SCORESHEET.**
14. Basketballs: Home team to provide an indoor game basketball. Must be Spaulding, Wilson and Baden wide seam basketball. If Home team does not have one available, Away team can provide.
15. Tournament brackets, game results/scores, rules and other information found at www.aauevents.com.
16. **Age Specific Rules:**
 - 3rd + 4th: **NO ZONE – Help Defense is acceptable. Double teams allowed ONLY inside the 3-point line. No pressing until the last 2 minutes of the game (and OT). 3rd and 4th graders may shoot free throws from 12 feet.**
 - 5th: **NO ZONE – Help Defense is acceptable. Double teams allowed ONLY inside the 3-point line.**
 - No restrictions on grades 6 and up.**

Tournament Contact Information:

Leading up to the event, questions can be sent to mnaauevents@gmail.com

