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- *All Games Will be Played National High School Federation Rules.
 - *Halftime is 4 minutes long
 - *Warm-ups are 5 minutes long
 - *Lane entry on free throws is allowed after the release.
 - *For girls and boys, 10 second backcourt rule will be used.
 - *The 5-second closely guarded rule will be in effect.
 - *Each team is given 3 (45-second) timeouts per game. There is no carryover in overtime. Each team is allowed 1 timeout per overtime session.
 - *Overtime will last 2 minutes
 - *Regulation foul line to be utilized. Grades 3/4 ONLY can jump over the line.
 - *The three-point line is in effect.
 - *The bonus will begin on the 8th foul of the half (one-on-one free throws). The double bonus begins on the 11th foul.
 - *Personal fouls: 5 per player.
- 20 point mercy rule in the second half. The clock becomes continuous. If the lead is cut to 19 points, the clock stops again.

Game Lengths:

Girls

3rd Grade/9u - 6th Grade/12u 12 Minute Halves
7th Grade/13u - 9th Grade/15u 14 Minute Halves
10th Grade/16u - 12th Grade/17u 16 Minute Halves

Boys

2nd Grade/8u - 6th Grade/12u 12 Minute Halves
7th Grade/13u - 9th Grade/15u 14 Minute Halves
10th Grade/16u - 12th Grade/17u 16 Minute Halves
Clock Stops on all normal whistles

2 Team Tie Breaker

1. Head to Head
2. Point Differential
3. Total Points Against
4. Total Points Scored
5. System Generated Coin Toss

3-Way Tiebreaker to Determine Top Seed.

1. Point Differential (Maximum of 15 per game)
2. Total Points Against
3. Total Points Scored
4. System Generated Coin Toss
(After the top team is determined, 2nd and 3rd will be determined by following the 2 Team Tie Breaker Rules)

28.5 Sized balls used for all girls divisions and boys grade 3rd- 6th

****Teams MUST PROVIDE 1 TABLE OPERATOR Aged 16 years or older!****

ALL PLAYERS...Can only play on 1 team per age group. If caught playing on multiple teams in the same age bracket both teams will forfeit all games played and the player will be disqualified from the tournament! NO EXCEPTIONS!!
Boys can only play in Boys divisions. NO EXCEPTIONS!!
Girls can only play in Girls divisions. NO EXCEPTIONS!!

A Coach must sit on their 1st technical foul

**** Home teams (Wears Light Color)** are indicated on the bottom of the bracket and pool play ******
**** Away teams (Wears Dark Color)** are indicated on the top of the bracket and pool play ******

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Eligibility Rules

3rd Grade/9U

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 3rd Grade/9U division.

4th Grade/10U

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 4th Grade/10U division.

5th Grade/11U

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 5th Grade/11U division.

6th Grade/12U

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 6th Grade/12U division.

7th Grade/13U

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 7th Grade/13U division.

8th Grade/14U

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 8th Grade/14U division.

9th Grade/15U

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 9th Grade/15U division.

10th Grade/16U

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 10th Grade/16U division.

11th Grade/17U

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 11th Grade/17U division.

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FIGHTING AND PLAYER/COACH/SPECTATOR MISCONDUCT ON COURT OR OFF COURT IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED AT ALL OHIOBASKETBALL.COM EVENTS!

The court referee/officials have final say in all player fouls and or misconduct. Once a personal, intentional or technical foul is issued any further player misconduct could lead to an ejection and continued physical altercations after the whistle can be viewed as fighting. If the first action is deemed excessively violent any parties involved may be suspended.

Fighting will be defined as any deliberate action taken by an individual to cause physical harm to another player, spectator, coach or official. If a referee witnesses player(s) engaging in a fight, an immediate ejection can/will follow. An ejection carries a penalty of suspension for the players/parents/coaches involved for the remainder of the tournament. The suspended parties then cannot participate in any more games for the remainder of the weekend as a player, coach or spectator. With regards to the suspended individuals, if a second instance of player misconduct follows anywhere inside an event facility, the tournament director has the authority to eject the whole team.