

OBJECT OF THE GAME: The object of the game is to eliminate all opposing players by getting them "OUT". **A PLAYER IS OUT IF:**

- > He/she gets hit by a ball below the shoulders. The ball may not hit the floor or wall first.
- > His/her ball is caught by an opposing player.
- > A ball hits him/her and another teammate. (They both are out).
- ➤ He/she gets hit by a ball rebounding off a ball lying on the court.
- He/she hits an opponent in the head with the ball.

BLOCKING

Players can defend themselves by blocking a ball coming at them with another ball, but they have to maintain control of the ball they are blocking with. If they drop the ball, they are OUT.

HAVING A TEAM WITH MORE THAN 8 PLAYERS

A team may substitute the extra player when a player on their team has served their time OUT and was ready to re-enter the game. Team Parents need to help us monitor this!!!

RULES OF THE GAME

- ➤ Game begins by placing 8 dodgeballs along the center line. Players then take a position behind their end line. Following a signal by the official, teams approach the centerline to retrieve balls. This signal officially starts the contest. Once a ball is retrieved, it must be taken behind the attack line (neutral zone) before it can be legally thrown. The attack zone is a "no man zone".
- > All hits must be below the shoulder
- A team catching a LIVE ball may re-enter an OUT player. The person who threw the ball is then OUT.
- Each game will be limited to 3 minutes. If the game is not over in 3 minutes, the team with the most players still standing will be the winner of that game. There will be a play off round. Specifics of this will be explained on the day of the tournament, as set up may change based on the number of teams in the age group.
- > When determining teams for the playoffs, if there are 2 teams with identical records, then the team with the most players left on the court during their combined games, wins.
- Teams cannot use delay tactics such as intentionally holding a ball for more than 10 seconds or hoarding balls on their side of their court. A team will receive a warning by the referee upon the first infraction and will lose a player for each subsequent infraction of this type during a game.
- No profanities or ill meaning taunting of other teams will be tolerated. Each team will receive one warning. If the infraction occurs again, the offending player will sit out the rest of the game.
- > The referee's decision is FINAL.
- > Parents/guardians are responsible for the children during the course of the tournament.

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT THIS IS SUPPOSED TO BE A FUN EVENT. PLEASE DO NOT GO UP TO OUR STUDENT REFEREES AND YELL AT THEM OR COMPLAIN. IF YOU HAVE AN ISSUE, PLEASE SEEK OUT ONE OF THE ADULTS RUNNING THE TOURNAMENT.

There will be a nurse on site for the entire tournament. Please let us know if anyone gets injured. We reserve the right to change the brackets after posting if necessary.