

Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville

7/8th Grade Boys

Basketball Rules

The Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville is proud to provide a quality basketball program for the youth of Hamilton County. The objectives listed below are to give every young person the opportunity to enjoy and grow as an individual through the game of basketball. It is extremely important that all adult volunteers and parents make every effort to set a good example of leadership in molding our young people through an enjoyable and rewarding basketball season.

- To teach boys and girls the fundamentals of basketball so they can develop some feeling of personal accomplishment.
- To teach boys and girls to work together as a team, sharing responsibility for reaching a goal, and winning or losing gracefully.
- To teach good sportsmanship and its importance.
- To teach those involved about the game of life through basketball.

The Rules

IHSAA rules will be followed with the following exceptions:

1. Sportsmanship must be taught, and one cannot assume that it will come without much effort by the coach, parents, or players. All referee decisions are final, and everyone must respect them. Any violation must be resolved before the game is resumed. No games will be played under protest.
2. Length of Game—the game will consist of four (4) six-minute quarters with a running clock stopping only: free throws, time-outs, injuries, referees time or signal and in the last minute of each quarter.
3. Participation—every player must play in 2 full un-interrupted quarters per game. A player's quarters do not have to be back to back. No player may play in a third quarter until all players have played or are playing in their second quarter. This rule still applies in overtime periods. A player that has fouled out of a game but must play due to a lack of players, will be assessed a technical foul for each personal foul committed. This rule may be suspended if a player misses too many practices.
4. Overtime—if a game is tied after regulation play, a two-minute overtime period will be played, with possession decided by a jump ball. The clock will stop on every whistle throughout overtime. If after the initial OT period, there is still a tie, one-minute overtime periods will continue until a winner has been decided.
5. Each team must supply a clock keeper each game. No one under the age of 18 may volunteer for this position or even sit at the scorer's bench. These volunteers need to know what they are doing. If they are making too many mistakes a new volunteer will be requested by the league director.
6. No team may press or trap with a 10 or more point lead. After a team gets a 20 or more point lead, the clock will run continuously.
7. A single elimination tournament will follow the regular season.
8. Four time-outs will be allowed per team for the game. No more than two time-outs may be called per quarter. If in overtime, each team will receive one time-out, any unused time-outs from regulation do not carry over!