

BASKETBALL - Grade 6

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A. INTRODUCTION

1. The basketball tournament is intended to provide students with an opportunity to play interschool basketball in a friendly and low competitive environment.

B. RULES

1. The coaches and school supervisors are required to report to the site supervisors upon arrival to the tournament site. **An adult (preferably of the same gender) must be on the team bench during games to help maintain a positive and constructive experience for all involved.**
2. Teams will consist of a minimum of 8 and a maximum of 12 players.
3. Schools should be prepared to have a maximum of two (2) teams per site.
4. Games will range from 15 - 21 minutes in duration. (Convenor will determine the time based upon number of team entries. Site managers may need to adjust the time as the tournament progresses) .
5. Games are scheduled to begin at 4:00 pm and end at 6:30 pm (estimate only).
6. Games will be played with a Women's Ball – Size 6.
7. The fair play code will be followed.
8. Teams should wear school uniforms or same color shirts.
9. Height of the baskets will be 9 feet unless the rims are fixed at 10 feet.
10. The game will begin with a jump ball and a possession arrow will be used to indicate subsequent possessions.
11. Four (4) students on the floor at one time.
12. Substitutions occur after three (3) minutes, at which time four (4) new players go on the court.
13. No pressing is allowed. All players from the team losing possession must retreat to positions near the elbows and blocks and from there find their check when the ball crosses the line designating the offensive zone either by dribbling or passing.
14. No zone defenses are allowed. Coaches must teach their players person-to-person defense, as this is what is developmentally appropriate for this grade level.
15. Double Dribbling:
 - (a) dribbling with two hands simultaneously,
 - (b) allowing the ball to rest in one hand,
 - (c) dribbling again after the ball comes to rest in their hands

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Basketball By-Laws

16. Traveling – a player may not walk or run while holding the ball. Players may dribble or pivot. Pivoting means moving one foot while the other foot remains in contact with the ground. Players cannot change their pivot foot once it has been established.
17. Three (3) seconds in the key – a player is forbidden to remain longer than three (3) seconds in the opponent's key when his team has possession of the ball. A shot attempt restarts the 3 second count but does not restart unless the ball has been rebounded by the offensive team.
18. Held ball occurs when two opponents hold the ball at the same time; the referee shall award the ball at the sidelines to one of the teams. Each time there is a held ball after this, the teams take turns receiving possession. Players shall refrain from reaching-in or hitting the ball out of the opponent's hands.
19. Fouls:
 - (a) personal fouls – taken at the side lines
 - (b) shooting fouls – foul shots will not be taken; instead the ball is awarded to the offensive team at the closest sideline
20. The back over centre rule will not apply as the courts are so small.
21. All players have five (5) seconds to dribble/pass/shoot once the ball crosses center. A violation will result in a loss of possession.
22. Teams will line up and shake hands after their game.

C. ORGANIZATION

1. The PTAA Friendly Basketball Tournaments will be organized with the boys and girls tournaments scheduled for Tuesday and Thursday. The PTAA Co-Ed Friendly Basketball Tournament will be scheduled for a Saturday.
2. The convenor is responsible for setting the date, booking the facilities, equipment and monitors. Convenors should avoid parent teacher interview days.
3. The PTAA will attempt to use certified basketball officials for all divisional grade 6 basketball tournaments. In the event that certified officials are not available, the PTAA will use a suitable alternative whether that be teachers or suitable high school students. One of the tournament convenors will be responsible for arranging officials for all the PTAA grade 6 basketball tournaments.

D. AWARDS

1. Participants will receive a participation ribbon at each tournament.