

DYB League Rules

General Info for each Division

Listed below are the specific rules that pertain to play in the League. We ask all coaches and parents to remember two key points:

First, this league is designed primarily for the purpose of helping all of the players improve their skills through participation in both practices and under game conditions. Coaches should design their game so as to afford all players on the team the opportunity to adequately participate.

Second, it would be impossible to operate this league without the use of the gyms from the Denton Independent School District. All of us must treat these facilities with the utmost respect at all times. We expect each of you to be responsible for the cleanliness of the gyms you use.

I. GENERAL INFORMATION:

- The number of registered players will determine the number of teams per league & number of players per team.
- A player must play in his/her age group. However, a player may "play up" in the next higher age group with board approval.
- Coaches children are allowed as protected players for their team.
- All players must wear basketball or tennis shoes on the courts.
- Forfeit time for games is 5 minutes after the scheduled start time.
- A team may play with only 4 players. A forfeit will be called if a team does not have at least 4 players present and ready to play by 5 minutes after the scheduled start time.
- 50% play rule will still be enforced throughout the season. Blatant violations of this rule will result in the following penalties:
 - 1st Violation – Coach will be warned
 - 2nd Violation – Coach will only be allowed to substitute at the end of each quarter
 - 3rd Violation – Coach will be suspended from the next game

II. GAME PROCEDURES:

A. Home Team:

- One team will be designated in the schedule as the **Home Team**.
- Home team wears **white or light colored** jerseys.
- Home team sits on scorekeeper's **Left**.
- Home team provides game ball.
- Home team warms up for pre-game & shoots in the first half at the basket to the scorekeeper's **right**.

B. Visiting Team

- One team will be designated in the schedule as the **Visiting Team**.
- Visiting team wears **dark colored** jerseys.
- Visiting team sits on scorekeeper's **Right**.
- Visiting team warms up for pre-game & shoots in the first half at the basket to the scorekeeper's **left**.

III. PRE-GAME PROCEDURES

- Player names & numbers must be in the scorebook by the time 2:00 remains on the warm-up clock.
- Always have your team in the gym early & ready to play on time. Remember that Forfeit Time is 5 minutes after scheduled game time.

III. POST-GAME PROCEDURES

- Scorekeeper will record the score of the game on the Game Stat sheet provided at the official's table. League standings will be maintained from this source. Standings will be posted as soon as possible on the league website.
- Have your team vacate the bench area quickly so as to allow the next team to come in.
- Remember to carefully check that the bench area is free of any trash.
- Decisions of game officials are final – ***There will be no protests!***

IV. POST-SEASON TOURNAMENT PROCEDURES

- During the post-season tournament in each age division league, the clock will stop during all free throws.
- Parents will continue to manage the scorebook and run the clock during the tournament.
- 50% play rule will still enforced during the tournament. Blatant violations of this rule during the post-season tournament will result in the immediate suspension of the Head Coach from their next game.

8u Division

Rules & Procedures

General Information-

- Regulation Play: 8 minute quarters with a running clock (except for last 2 minutes of 2nd & 4th quarter)
 - Half time: 3 minutes
 - Between Quarter: 1 minute
 - Time Outs: Two 30 second time-outs per half.
 - Overtime: 3 minute (only one overtime, with a running clock except for last 2 minutes of OT)
 - Defense: Man to Man or Zone (Coaches are encouraged to teach man-to-man defense)
 - Basketball Size: Junior or Youth Size (27.5")
 - Goal: 8'-0" height
 - Free Throw Lane: Lane shall be 12 feet wide
 - Free throw line: Approximately 13 feet from backboard. This should be the regulation free throw line when using the attachable goals.
- Each player must play a minimum of 50% of each game.
A commissioner or board member must be notified if extenuating circumstances appear.

Rules of Play-

* UIL rules will apply to 8u play with these following exceptions:

- Defenses must remain behind the center court line - full court press is not allowed at any time.
- If a team reaches a 15 point lead, the team that is leading must pass 3-5 times before being allowed to shoot and score. The number of passes is left to the discretion of the referee and the pass count cannot start until the offensive team crosses the half-court line. The leading team must cease using fast breaks.
- Failure to comply (i.e. running up the score) will result in immediate suspension of the head coach for the next scheduled game.
- At the beginning of each quarter, both coaches should line up players across from each other to determine the player they are assigned to guard. Coaches may choose to have their player guard a different player on the opposing team than is selected to guard them.
- Substitutions are only allowed at the beginning of each quarter unless an injury occurs. This is to help coaches keep track of playing time for each player to ensure at least 50% participation for all players. If a player leaves the game due to an injury, he or she cannot return to the game until the beginning of the next quarter.
- A league commissioner or a board member will interpret all questions regarding the enforcement of rules.