

2013 HYSL INVITATIONAL BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT RULES AGES 5-6

Rules of the National Federation of State High School Associations will govern play except as follows:

1. Halves will be twenty (20) minutes. The time clock will run continuously except for official time outs for injuries and properly awarded time outs to a team. The clock will also stop for all whistles the last minute of each half. All overtime periods will be two (2) minutes with the clock running continuously the 1st minute and stopping for all whistles the 2nd minute.
2. Each team will consist of five (5) players.
3. The game will begin with a jump ball. Possession will be alternated for jump ball situations except for the beginning of overtime.
4. Each team will have three (3) time outs per game. They will be one (1) minute in length. One (1) additional time out will be awarded for each overtime period played. Unused time outs can accumulate and be carried over into overtime periods.
5. All substitutes must report to the scorer's table and wait until called into the game by the referee.
6. The basket will be eight (8) feet.
7. Fast breaks will be allowed.
8. Back court pressing will not be allowed – except for the last two (2) minutes of the game and ONLY by the team that is behind in score.
9. A free pass will be allowed to the team advancing the ball into the front court. The pass must originate from the back court and be made to a player in the front court within five (5) feet of the half court line. The defensive team cannot interfere with the pass or press the receiving player until the player begins to advance the ball from the point of receiving the pass into the defensive area. Defenders also are not allowed to press an advancing dribbler in this five foot free zone. The judgment of the referee regarding this five foot area is not subject to question or debate by coaches, players or spectators.
10. The five (5) second lane violation rule and the ten (10) second closely guarded rules will be in effect.
11. Only zone defenses will be allowed once the ball has been advanced outside the free zone area. A defensive player may only steal a pass. The stealing of a dribble or held ball will not be allowed.
12. The team bench and scorer's table area is reserved for players, coaches and scorekeepers. No spectators or parents are allowed on this side of the court. No Exceptions!!!!
13. Coaches are responsible for the behavior of their players as well as their spectators. Please have a meeting with everyone to remind them that this program exists for the kids and that the proper example should be set at all times. Any coach, player or spectator ejected for unsportsmanlike conduct will be suspended for the next two (2) games.
14. Eligibility is determined by your age as of 9/1/12.