



Pee Wee Kindergarten Co-Ed Basketball Rules and Policies updated 10/17/17

Mission Statement

The Simmons Center Youth basketball League is planned, organized, and executed by the Recreation Program Department and Waymans Lightning. This offered to the community as an inclusive program. We want to include all children interested in playing basketball and give them a positive experience. This is a non-competitive program that will promote teamwork, citizenship, and sportsmanship.

Guidelines/Regulations

1. Four (4) on Four (4) played on short courts. (EQUAL PLAYING TIME!)
2. Goals are set at 7 feet in height.
3. Junior size basketballs will be used.
4. Five (5) minutes for warm up only!
5. Four (4) Eight (8) minute quarters with a three (3) minute halftime break. Note: if games are running behind the league director or their staff has the right to reduce game times until back on schedule.
6. Clock will be stopped half way through each quarter for substitution (Rule #9B) otherwise the clock will continue to run throughout the game!
7. Score will not be kept!
8. One (1) Coach from each team on the court at all times. The coach is there to help teach the players and assist the referee. The referee is there to help teach the players and make all the calls. It is helpful for coaches from both teams to get with the referee to discuss strategy and rules in order to work as a team.
9. Substitution occurs at the 4 minute mark of every quarter. All players that are on the bench must come in unless injury or health issues. Example: If you have 4 players on the bench all 4 players must enter the game. Note: if that one player that remained on the floor is getting tired with time on the clock you may substitute him/her with another player on the bench by checking in with the clock keeper and can enter when referee signals him/her in.
10. A 2-2 defense will be played. 2 players will be on one side of the court and the other 2 players will be on the other side. Those 4 players will be able to move freely no farther than the three point line. Defensive players cannot enter the lane until the offensive player shoots the ball unless the defensive player needs to gain position in order to box out another offensive player. This allows the continuing teaching the defensive players to box out. This allows the middle to stay open to help in shooting skills. The shooter has 5 seconds to shoot the ball. Note: What we are trying to teach here is catch, square up and shoot or one strong dribble to the block and shoot.
11. Coaches should allow each player to bring the ball up! Note: The entry pass to the player in the paint should come from the wing.

12. Only One (1) offensive player in the paint until the ball has been shot. While the offensive players are learning to shoot (catch, square and shoot) and pass the defensive player should be learning to box out the offensive player and get the rebound (grab, set, and pivot then pass).
13. Once the ball has been shot it is open play! Note: If it gets out of hand the coach on offense should ask his player to pass him the ball. Then coaches should set up their offense and defense again. Coaches should always use good judgment for the kids!
14. When defense rebounds the offensive players cannot tie up the ball. On all other tie balls, offense gets the ball. This is to teach the kids to move their feet & keep their hands up & play good defense instead of grabbing for the ball.
15. On shooting fouls line the player up properly and let the shooter get close enough to make the basket. The clock does not stop. On missed shots it is free play! However, if offense goes back beyond the 3 point line the defense cannot follow and must get back in their defensive positions as stated under #10.
16. If the ball goes out of bounds off a player or bad pass it is considered a turn over to the other team. Note: It is important that on every out of bounds play or after every basket the team is throwing it in does it properly. Coaches need to get players behind the line and have them throw it in!
17. Offense must make every attempt to challenge the defense! (No Stalling!) Referee will make the call with 1 warning. Offense turns the ball over on 2nd warning call.
18. NO FAST BREAKS PERIOD! If the defensive player rebounds or steal the ball the must pass the ball to another player or to the Coach! The offensive players have to run down the court and in their defensive positions.
19. When in doubt give the other team the benefit of doubt and go on!

All Rules and policies of the Simmons Center will be adhered to by all players, coaches, volunteers, officials, and spectators. Refusal to abide by policy may result in facility usage privileges being revoked. Please read the attached user guidelines to familiarize you with policies.

Chewing gum, food, and beverages, are not permitted in the gym at any time with the exception of covered water bottles only. NO GATORADE or POWERADE. This applies to coaches, players, employees, and spectators in the gym. We will come to the bench and ask you to discard any of the above items so please check with your bench before play begins. TOBACCO PRODUCTS ARE PROHIBITED.

Non-marking court shoes are required for all players, coaches, and officials.

Players must remove all jewelry prior to the start of the game. Referees will check prior to game play.

Coaches are responsible for the players and spectators and must exhibit appropriate behavior throughout the course of the games. Good sportsmanship will be used at all times. Any problems or concerns should be addressed with Lori Belcher the next business day. Written comments may be submitted to the comment box and will be addressed the next business day. Be sure to include a phone number where you will be available.

Physical or verbal altercations will not be tolerated and will be dealt with swiftly and sternly by the Simmons Center Conduct Committee.

All games will be played as scheduled; make-up games will be scheduled only if the Simmons Center closed due to weather, safety, or other unforeseen acts. All schedules are final. Should a team not be able to play as scheduled, a forfeit will occur.

The officials will have final say during the game and judgment calls will not be disputed or challenged. Disputes can be taken up with Lori on the next business day.

League Play

Games will be played on Friday evening and Saturday morning.

Basketball players and spectators need to enter through the glass doors facing the West. A FEE OF \$1.00 WILL BE CHARGED FOR ALL SPECTATORS. Coaches and players will not be charged if they have a scheduled game on that night/day.

Any coach, player, or spectator that exhibits unacceptable behavior will be asked to leave. An incident report will be filed and reviewed by the conduct committee to determine disciplinary measure. Spectators are the coach's responsibility, please visit with your parents prior to the game play and encourage good sportsmanship.

Simmons Center reserves the right to add or dismiss coaches for any violations of policy or for the betterment of the program.

Contact Lori Belcher for additional information at 580-252-2900 ext. 227 or at loribelcher@live.com.