ARCHDIOCESE OF NEWARK CYO BASKETBALL COURTSIDE RULE SUMMARY

GENERAL RULES AT ALL GRADE LEVELS

(Version 11/16/23)

ROSTER RULES

- All players in any game must be on the official team roster submitted to the CYO.
- Must have five players to start a game (unless extenuating circumstances, ready to play within 15 minutes of scheduled game time); else the game is a forfeit.
- (Regular season only) A team can avoid a forfeit by using a temporary player from another team in that program at that same (or younger) level. Team using a temporary player notifies the opposing coach prior to the game. Game is played in normal fashion; however, team using a temporary player receives an automatic loss.
- Eligible players are those present and able to play in a game. Ineligible players (injured, discipline, etc.) may sit on team bench but should be dressed in a fashion to demonstrate ineligibility for that game.

GAME PROTOCOL

- Maximum 4 coaches on team bench. Only head coach can stand within the coaching box.
- Each team should have a scorekeeper at the table. Home book (or official designated) is the official book.
- Score and clock keepers are extensions of the officials and must remain silent/neutral thru the contest.
- Full roster should be entered in the scorebook. Eligible players for that contest should be clearly identified.
- Scorekeepers should confer at the end of each quarter to agree score, fouls and All Play status.
- Players shall not wear jewelry, beads, hairclips, braces, etc., of any kind. Only soft/elastic ties/coverings allowed.
- The official may disallow any adornment, medical braces/supports, etc., that he/she feels is a safety concern.
- Any protest must be brought to the attention of the officials and logged in the scorebook (notify CYO later).

ALL PLAY RULE

- The first and third periods of the game are "All-Play periods". All Play requirements must be fulfilled in those periods only. Time played in other periods is not recorded nor counted towards the minimum play requirement.
- Each All-Play period is divided into two "half-periods." There will be an automatic substitution point (but not an additional stoppage of play) near the midpoint of the All-Play periods (first and third quarters). This will occur at the first dead ball once the All-Play period is within 15 seconds of the period midpoint.
- There are no other substitutions in the All Play periods except for injury or concern for child's health/safety.
- Based on eligible players, there is a minimum and maximum number of half periods played during the All Play periods (a) Less than 7 players = 3 min half-periods, 4 max half-periods, (b) from 7 to 10 players = 2 min half-periods, 3 max half-periods and (c) more than 10 players = 1 min half-period, 2 max half-periods.
- If the minimum is not fulfilled at end of All-Play periods, player must fulfill immediately to start the 4th quarter.
- If maximum is violated in the All-Play periods, that player may not play for the remainder of the game.
- Coaches enforce All Play not officials! However, any protest should be noted to officials and in the scorebook.
- There is an All-Play exemption related to team size for the 23-24 season. See Basketball Rules for details.

LOPSIDED SCORE GAMES

- After halftime, if score margin exceeds the lopsided score limit, the leading team is awarded the victory.
- Game continues with running clock (except time outs and foul shots). No pressure defense by either team.
- Both coaches should manage the continued game to be relaxed and competitive.

TIMING

- Three (3) full (60 second) and two (2) short (30 second) time outs per game plus one (30 sec) per OT period.
- Overtime periods are 2 minutes in length. There is no limit to the number of overtime periods.

PRESSURE DEFENSE

- Pressure defense is defined by the position of the ball relative to the vertical plane of either the half-court line or the three-point line (depending on the level of play). Position of the offensive or defensive player is not relevant.
- Pressure defense violation will only be called when pressure is intentional or results in a turnover by the offense.
- Pressure defense receives two warnings. Subsequent violations carry penalty of two free throws.

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RULES FOR SPECIFIC GRADE LEVELS

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RULE	7 th /8 th GRADE	5 th /6 th GRADE	3 rd /4 th GRADE
Basketball Size	Boys = 29.5 inches Girls = 28.5 inches	Boys = 28.5 inches Girls = 28.5 inches	Boys = 28.5 inches Girls = 28.5 inches
Period Length	8 minutes clock stop on all whistles	7 minutes clock stop on all whistles	7 minutes clock stop on all whistles
Free Throws	For all levels, CYO will adopt the new NFHS high school foul shot rules. Bonus free throws will be awarded on the fifth foul of each quarter. Bonus free throws are all 2-shot fouls. There are no longer any one-and-one foul shot scenarios. Please make your scorekeepers aware.		
Free Throw Line	Cannot violate the free throw line	Cannot violate the free throw line	Start with part of one foot on or behind free throw line. Momentum can carry over line. Shooter cannot be first to touch/rebound a miss.
Lane Entry on Missed FT	On release	On release	On release
Lopsided Score Limit	30 points	25 points	20 points
3-Point Shots	Count for 3 points	Count for 3 points	Count for 2 points
Lane Violations	3 seconds in key	3 seconds in key	5 seconds in key
Backcourt Defense	Allowed any time unless that team is leading by more than 15 points	Allowed in last 4 minutes of game and overtimes unless that team is leading by more than 15 points	Allowed in last 1 minute of 4th quarter and last 1 minute of any overtime period unless that team is leading by more than 10 points
Halfcourt Defense	Allowed at any time	Allowed at any time	Only last 2 minutes of game and OT unless that team is leading by more than 10 points
Defense Beyond Three Point Line	Not applicable	Not applicable	Except for last two minutes of game and overtime periods, only allowed once the offensive team advances the ball (breaks vertical plane) beyond the 3-pt line
Ten Second Violation	Normal rule	Normal rule	Regular 10-second rule only for the last 2 minutes of the game and overtime. At all other times, offense has 15 seconds to advance the ball (break vertical plane) beyond its three point line
Field Goal Attempts	Allowed from anywhere on the court at any time	Shots allowed from the frontcourt at any time. Only allowed from the backcourt in the last 4 minutes of the game and overtime.	Prior to last 2 minutes of regulation, offense can attempt a shot from anywhere in front court (after they advance the ball beyond their 3-pt line). In last 2 minutes and OT, offense can attempt a shot from anywhere in front court (without having to advance beyond the 3-pt line). In the last 1 minute of the game and last 1 minute of overtime, offense can attempt a shot from anywhere on the court.