



2009-2010 BOY'S BASKETBALL RULES

1. You must be a member of a parish or attend the school to play on a CYO team / league. Rosters and Agreement Release of Liability forms must be presented by the Director to the CYO Office in order to receive your schedule. Players may be added to the roster before the sixth game. You will be playing (10) games. **PLAYERS MAY PLAY ON ONE CYO TEAM ONLY.**

2. Please pay the officials before the game after they have signed your score book. Officials for the 3rd, 4th, 5th, receive \$20.00. The 6th, 5th/6th, 7th, 8th, & 7th/8th receive \$25.00. Officials have been instructed to be approachable and provide teachable moments when possible. They have also been instructed not to take abuse from coaches, parents or players. They will ask you to leave or forfeit. Let's all demonstrate good sportsmanship. If you do not show or forfeit your basketball game there is a \$50.00 no show fee. If these fees are not paid, you are ineligible for the post-season tournament. The CYO office will pay the official. **All games are to be played as scheduled. The CYO office is the only one able to change games and games will only be changed for school sponsored events that are mandatory. The CYO office must have 1 week notice for any game changes unless a catastrophic reason.**

3. Ohio High School rules are the basis for our league operation with CYO modifications.

a. All teams in the 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th and 5th/6th are required to play each player **one continuous quarter** from the beginning to the end in each game. Exception if a player is injured or sick; if the opposing team has fewer players than your team you only have to play as many as they have on their bench. **This rule is in effect for the regular season as well as post season tournament.**

b. The 5th/6th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 7th/8th grade teams can use the full court press. The press at these levels is limited by the fifteen-point rule. The 3rd, 4th, 3rd/4th and 5th grades do not press.

c. In the third grade if a team has a 15 point lead they can not play defense outside of the three point line; if there is no three point line the defense cannot be extended above the top of the circle.

d. Quarters:

6th, and 5th/6th, 7th, 8th, and 7th/8th - 6 minutes stop and go
3rd, 4th, 3rd/4th, 5th - 5 minutes stop and go

e. All overtime periods are two- (2) minutes stop and go.

f. Special rule for 3rd, 4th, 3rd/4th and 5th grade games:

When a dead ball throw in occurs in the back court with less than one (1) minute remaining, the clock is to start when the offensive player crosses mid court. This will be signaled by the referee. This rule applies to **dead-ball situations** in the Fourth Quarter and overtime periods only.

g. Free throw lines

3rd, 3rd/4th, 4th and 5th ----- lower circle 9 feet
5th/6th, 6th, 7th, 7th/8th and 8th ----- 15 feet.

h. Each Team will receive 3 full time-outs and 2 30 second time-outs.

i. Free-Throw Rule - No player may enter the lane until the ball touches the backboard or rim. In the 5th/6th, 6th, 7th/8th and 8th grades the first spot available in the free throw lane will be the second box; this is a change being adopted by OHSAA as well as CYO.

j. The 7th, 7th/8th and 8th grades will be using the regulation ball. The 3rd, 4th, 3rd/4th, 5th, 6th, and 5th/6th grades will be using the women's ball (28 1/2").

k. No jewelry maybe worn – including earrings- no face or hair paint.

l. The OHSAA has a 14 ft coaching box ruler. While the CYO will not require that it be marked on the courts we will expect all coaches to be mindful of the rule. If coaches are merely instructing there players it will not be an issue. However, if coaches are roaming the sidelines to berate officials we have instructed our officials to give one warning. If the behavior continues you will receive a technical. A coaches job is to coach not berate officials. If you have a problem with an official contact the official's supervisor and we will look into the situation and address it as is necessary.

4. The league games will be completed by February 21, 2010. The CYO tournament will be played February 26, 27, 28, March 5, 6, 7, 2010. Every team is automatically entered in the CYO post-season tournament. Teams that play in leagues 61/71/81 will play in the Division I City tournament and they will be seeded. The tournament pairings will be based on your record after your 8th week of play. **If you do not wish to be entered in the tournament you must notify the office before January 29, 2010.**

5. Winning team should call CYO office within 48 hours (242-1947). Recorder is on 24 hours a day. You may also post scores on our Web Site www.cyosports.org . When calling in your score leave message in the appropriate mailbox; give the league number, date of game, winning school, and score. If you wish to fax scores - 242-2983. Teams with the most wins will be declared league champions.