

# Ohio Youth Basketball

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## Game Rules

### 1. Length of Games

- A. All games in the 3rd - 4th - 5th - 6th grade games will be played in two 12 minute halves
- B. All games in the 7th thru 10/11th grade games will be played in two 14 minute halves

### 2. Overtime Periods

- A. First overtime will be 3 minutes long
- B. Each overtime after the first will be one minute long.
- C. No extra time-outs will be given for overtime.

### 3. Clock

- A. The clock will stop on every whistle and stay stopped until ball is back in play
- B. If a team is behind by 20 points or more in the 2nd half, the clock will continue to run, except on shooting fouls and time outs. If the team behind cuts the lead to under 20 points, the clock will go back to being stopped on every whistle.

### 4. Game Balls

- A. All games in the 3rd - 4th - 5th - 6th grades will use the womens size basketball.
- B. All games in the 7th grade and up will use the mens size basketball.

### 5. Grace Period

- A. Game time is game time. You will be given a 5 minute grace period. If your team is not ready to play by that time, the game will be forfeited by a score of 15 - 0.
- B. A team may start and finish a game with less than 5 players.
- C. If a site is running ahead of schedule, both coaches can agree to start the game early.

### 6. Scorekeepers

- A. Each team needs to provide a scorekeeper and sit at the scorers table. The first team listed is the home team and is the official book. The visiting team scorekeeper is encouraged to sit at the table.

### 7. Time Outs

- A. Each team will receive four 30 second time outs. No timeouts will be added for over time games.

### 8. Teams with the same records

- A. Please see the tie breaking procedure hanging by the brackets and on the web site. If your team is involved in a three way tie, it is the coach's responsibility to contact OYB to make sure of proper seeding. DO NOT take the word of the site director.

### 9. Reporting Scores

- A. Both coach's need to make sure the final score is on the official score sheet and that the winning team is listed correctly
- B. It is the responsibility of each coach to check the board at the main site to make sure the scores were called in correctly. Mistakes can be made when scores are called in.
- C. If you find an error, contact OYB immediately.

**Any Rule Interpretations Please See Site Director or call OYB at 740-808-0380**