

**WEBER COUNTY RECREATION
RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR JUNIOR BASKETBALL PROGRAM
BOYS AND GIRLS - UPDATED 03/10/10**

1. PARTICIPATION IN THE RECREATION DEPARTMENTS BASKETBALL PROGRAM FOR BOYS AND GIRLS WILL BE LIMITED IN REGULAR LEAGUE PLAY TO TEAMS ORGANIZED IN THE 4TH-9TH GRADES ONLY. TEAMS FROM 10TH, 11TH, AND 12TH GRADES WILL PARTICIPATE IN TOURNAMENT PLAY AT THE GRADE LEVEL, IF SUFFICIENT TEAMS ARE RECRUITED. **ALL RULES WILL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE WEBER COUNTY RULES AND THE UTAH STATE HIGH SCHOOL RULES.**
2. ANY PLAYER MAY ORGANIZE A TEAM BUT PLAYERS MUST BE SELECTED FROM THEIR GRADE OR BELOW. NO PLAYER CAN PLAY FOR MORE THAN ONE WEBER COUNTY OR CITY RECREATION TEAM.
3. ALL PLAYERS MUST BE REGISTERED IN AND PLAY FOR THE SCHOOL IN WHICH THEY LIVE. ALL PLAYERS MUST BE REGISTERED AND PLAY FOR A TEAM FROM THE SCHOOL YOU ATTEND WITHIN THE SCHOOL BOUNDARY YOU LIVE WITHIN. TO PARTICIPATE IN COMBINED RECREATION AREAS, TEAMS MUST BE COMPRISED OF PLAYERS WITHIN THE AREAS THEY LIVE. THIS WILL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF EACH COACH AND AREA DIRECTOR. ALL ROSTERS WILL BE STRICTLY CHECKED BY BOTH COACHES AND ARE DIRECTORS PRIOR TO TURNING INTO THE COUNTY. ANY TEAM(S) FOUND NOT ENFORCING THE ABOVE RULE WILL AUTOMATICALLY BE DROPPED FROM THE COUNTY PLAY-OFFS. EACH AREA DIRECTOR WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ELIGIBILITY OF THEIR PLAYERS AND TEAMS ENTERING INTO THE PLAY-OFFS. **PLEASE NOTE: ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST STAY WITHIN THEIR OWN SCHOOL BOUNDARIES WHEN FORMING TEAMS, UNLESS, THE TEAM WAS FORMED AND PLAYING TOGETHER THROUGHOUT THEIR ELEMENTARY YEARS. YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO ADD NEW PLAYERS TO THE ROSTER, IT MUST BE THE ORIGINAL TEAM. THIS IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE COACHES AND AREA DIRECTORS.**
4. WHEN A TEAM OR TEAMS FROM OUTSIDE OF WEBER COUNTY ARE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE IN YOUR INDIVIDUAL LEAGUE, REGARDLESS OF STANDING COMPLETION, THAT TEAM OR TEAMS WILL NOT BE ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE WEBER COUNTY RECREATION PLAY-OFF TOURNAMENT. **IF A TEAM ENTERS A PROGRAM OTHER THAN WITH CITY THEY LIVE, THAT TEAM WILL BE INELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE COUNTY PLAYOFFS UNLESS THIS TEAM HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE WEBER COUNTY RECREATION DIRECTOR AND THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS. NO TEAM WITH NON WEBER COUNTY RESIDENTS WILL BE ALLOWED TO PLAY IN COUNTY TOURNAMENT.**
5. AS THE OBJECTIVE OF THIS PROGRAM IS TO PROVIDE COMPETITION FOR AS MANY BOYS AND GIRLS AS POSSIBLE, NO TEAM IS TO BE REGARDED AS REPRESENTATIVE OF ITS SCHOOL. MORE THAN ONE TEAM MAY BE ORGANIZED FROM THE SAME CLASSROOM. PLAYERS MAY MOVE WITHIN THEIR ELEMENTARY OR JUNIOR HIGH.
6. ANY PLAYER LISTED ON A MIDDLE SCHOOL, JR. HIGH OR SR. HIGH ROSTER AND/OR WHO SUITS UP FOR A JR. HIGH OR SR. HIGH LEAGUE VARSITY GAME, WILL BE INELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROGRAM. EXTENUATING CIRCUMSTANCES MUST BE APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF AREA DIRECTORS PRIOR TO PLAY. REQUEST MUST BE SUBMITTED IN WRITING TO THE WEBER COUNTY RECREATION BASKETBALL DIRECTOR.
7. TO BE REGISTERED, A PLAYER MUST HAVE A RELEASE FORM SIGNED BY A PARENT OR GUARDIAN ALLOWING HIM/HER TO PARTICIPATE. NO PLAYER WILL BE ALLOWED TO PLAY UNLESS THIS FORM IS SIGNED AND TURNED IN WITH THE TEAM ROSTER. NO PLAYER CAN JOIN

A TEAM AFTER THE LAST SATURDAY IN JANUARY. A PLAYER CANNOT CHANGE TEAMS AFTER REGISTRATION IS COMPLETED.

8. ALL COPIES OF ROSTERS AND RELEASE FORMS PRESENTED TO WEBER COUNTY RECREATION MUST BE COMPLETE WITH: NAME OF TEAM, COACHES NAME, ADDRESS AND PHONE NUMBER, AREA REPRESENTING, PLAYERS FIRST AND LAST NAME, ADDRESS, HOME PHONE, AND SCHOOL THEY ATTEND AND CURRENT GRADE LEVEL. ***ALL ROSTERS MUST BE TURNED IN PRIOR TO PLAY-OFFS AND WILL BE CLEARLY VISIBLE, NO LIGHT COPIES WILL BE ACCEPTED***

9. FILL OUT THE OFFICIAL TEAM ENTRY FORM SHOWING THE NAME OF THE TEAM, PLAYERS, ETC., COMPLETELY. NO PLAYER WILL BE ALLOWED TO CHANGE FROM ONE RECREATION TEAM TO ANOTHER.

10. AS PLAYING FACILITIES ARE LIMITED, TEAMS FILING APPLICATION WILL BE GIVEN FIRST PREFERENCE IN THE ORDER OF RECEIPT. THESE MUST BE RETURNED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO THE RECREATION OFFICE OR TO THE SUPERVISOR AT THE RESPECTIVE SCHOOL.

11. YOUTHS ORGANIZING TEAMS WILL BECOME THE CAPTAIN OF THEIR SQUAD UNLESS THEY PREFER TO DESIGNATE ANOTHER MEMBER TO THE POSITION.

12. TEAMS IN ALL DIVISION OF PLAY MAY SELECT A NAME OF THEIR OWN CHOOSING.

13. NO PLAYER WILL BE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE UNLESS IN UNIFORM: GYM SHOES, JERSEYS, GYM SHORTS AND/OR LONG SWEAT PANTS MAY BE WORN AND WILL BE OF SOLID COLOR (NON FLOURESCENT), UNDERGARMENTS MAY BE WORN, BUT WILL BE THE SAME SOLID COLOR AS THE GYM SHORTS. NO CUTOFFS, LEVIS OR BERMUDA SHORTS. JERSEYS MUST HAVE NUMBERS ON THEM. **SAFETY: POCKETS ARE NOT ALLOWED ON ANY PORTION OF THE UNIFORM. PLAYERS FOUND TO HAVE POCKETS WILL BE ASKED TO CHANGE OR WILL BE INELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE COUNTY PLAYOFFS.**

14. ALL TEAM MEMBERS SHALL PLAY IN EACH GAME WITHOUT EXCEPTION. FAILURE TO ABIDE BY THIS RULE MEANS FORFEITURE OF THE GAME. THIS RULE DOES APPLY DURING COUNTY PLAYOFFS. MINIMUM PLAYING TIME IS ONE QUARTER (6 MINUTES). IF COMPLETE QUARTERS ARE NOT PLAYED, THE COACH MAKING THE CHALLENGE MUST BE ABLE TO PROVIDE EVIDENCE OF PLAYING TIME TO THE SCOREKEEPER. WEBER COUNTY RECREATION WILL PROVIDE SCOREKEEPER. WEBER COUNTY RECREATION WILL PROVIDE DOCUMENTATION OF PLAYERS TIME. THE SCORER TABLE WILL NOTIFY THE COACH OF THE TEAM WITH LESS PLAYING TIME ONLY. WE DOCUMENT TO SUBSTANTIATE COACHES CLAIMS. THE SCORERS TABLE DOCUMENTATION WILL BE USED OVER TEAMS DOCUMENTATION. BOTH COACHES AND SCORER TABLES DOCUMENTATION MUST MATCH BEFORE FORFEIT CALLED.

15. THE PLAYING FACILITIES AND SPACE ARE LIMITED. TEAMS SHOULD NOT ARRIVE AT THE VARIOUS GYMS UNTIL 15 MINUTES BEFORE THE SCHEDULED GAME TIME AND MUST LEAVE IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE GAME. PLAYERS ARE DISCOURAGED FROM BRINGING PERSONAL BASKETBALLS. A RESPONSIBLE ADULT MUST BE SUPERVISING PLAYER(S), A TECHNICAL FOUL WILL BE ASSESSED IF THIS RULE IS NOT ADHERED TO.

16. GAMES WILL CONSIST OF 6 MINUTE QUARTERS WITH 1 MINUTE INTERMISSIONS BETWEEN QUARTERS AND A 3 MINUTE INTERMISSION BETWEEN HALVES. EXTRA PERIODS SHALL BE 3 MINUTES LONG WITH A "SUDDEN DEATH" RULE PREVAILING AFTER THE FIRST EXTRA PERIOD.

17. FORFEIT CONDITIONS AND TIME WILL BE SET UP AND ENFORCED BY THE RECREATION SUPERVISOR, AS EACH GYM HAS DIFFERENT DEMANDS ON TIME SCHEDULES. (UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED) AND IN COUNTY PLAY-OFFS, GAME TIME WILL BE FORFEIT TIME! NO EXTENUATING CIRCUMSTANCES ALLOWED.

18. PLAY WILL BE UNDER THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF STATE HIGH SCHOOL RULES UNLESS COUNTY STATES OTHERWISE. THE WEBER COUNTY RECREATIONS RULES AND REGULATIONS AND THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF HIGH SCHOOL RULES WILL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF EACH COACH OR MANAGER TO KNOW AND UNDERSTAND. NO EXCEPTIONS.

19. **5TH GRADE ONLY:** BACK COURT RULE: ONCE A TEAM OR PLAYER GAINS CONTROL OF THE BALL IN THE BACK COURT, INCLUDING A THROW-IN, THE OFFENSIVE TEAM OR PLAYER MUST BE ALLOWED TO MOVE THE BALL WITHOUT BEING HINDERED PAST THE CENTER LINE. DEFENSIVE POSITION ON THE PLAYER MAY NOT BE ESTABLISHED UNTIL THE OFFENSIVE PLAYER HAS BOTH FEET IN THE FORECOURT. DEFENSIVE POSITIONS ON OTHER OFFENSIVE PLAYERS WITHOUT THE BALL CAN BE ESTABLISHED WHEN PLAYERS HAVE BOTH FEET ACROSS MID-COURT LINE. DURING THE REGULATION GAME AND OVERTIME IF NEEDED, THE OFFENSIVE TEAM ONLY HAS A TOTAL OF SIX SECONDS TO BRING THE BALL ACROSS MID COURT. THE BALL MUST BE MOVED IN A FORWARD DIRECTION. IF A TEAM TAKES FOUR SECONDS AND THEN CALLS TIME OUT, ONLY TWO SECONDS REMAIN TO GET THE BALL ACROSS MID-COURT. **PENALTY FOR VIOLATION:** THE BALL IS WHISTLED DEAD AND MUST BE TURNED OVER TO THE OPPOSING TEAM AT THAT POINT. **NOTE: THE ABOVE RULE WILL NOT BE IN EFFECT DURING THE LAST MINUTE OF THE GAME, ANY OVERTIME OR SUDDEN DEATH. REGULAR BASKETBALL RULES WILL BE IN EFFECT.**

20. PROTESTS MUST BE FILED DURING GAME. THE DECISION OF THE AREA DIRECTOR WILL BE FINAL.

21. AN AREA, TOWN OR LEAGUE IS REQUIRED TO HAVE FOUR OR MORE TEAMS PLAYING IN ORDER TO AUTOMATICALLY QUALIFY FOR A COUNTY TOURNAMENT BERTH. THREE TEAMS AND UNDER WILL HAVE TO ENTER INTO A PLAY-OFF FOR A COUNTY TOURNAMENT BERTH. ANY EXCEPTIONS MUST BE APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF AREA DIRECTORS, REQUEST MUST BE IN WRITING TO THE WEBER COUNTY RECREATION BASKETBALL DIRECTOR PRIOR TO THE START OF THE PLAYOFFS.

22. WHEN PLAYING AS A COMBINED LEAGUE, TOWN OR AREA, THE LEAGUE STANDINGS AT THE END OF THE SEASON WILL DETERMINE WHO QUALIFIES FOR A COUNTY TOURNAMENT BERTH. TEAMS MUST BE COMPRISED OF PLAYERS WITHIN THE AREA THEY LIVE. EXTENUATING CIRCUMSTANCES MUST BE APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF AREA DIRECTORS. A PERSON MUST SUBMIT REQUEST IN WRITING TO THE WEBER COUNTY RECREATION BASKETBALL DIRECTOR.

23. WE ENCOURAGE ALL SPECTATORS AND PARTICIPANTS NOT TO QUESTION DECISIONS OF THE OFFICIALS. AN IMPORTANT PART OF THIS PROGRAM IS TO TEACH YOUNGER PLAYERS GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP AND LEARN HOW TO ACCEPT ALL DECISIONS RENDERED.

24. ALL PLAYERS MUST OBEY THE VERBAL INSTRUCTIONS OF THE SUPERVISORS OR THE BUILDING CUSTODIANS. USE OF PROFANE OR ABUSIVE LANGUAGE WILL RESULT IN REMOVAL FROM THE GAME. A SECOND OFFENSE WILL DROP A PLAYER FROM THE PROGRAM FOR THE YEAR. INTENTIONAL ROUGHNESS, FIGHTING, (ON OR OFF COURT) OR ROWDY CONDUCT WILL BE CAUSE FOR REMOVAL.

25. THE JUNIOR BASKETBALL PROGRAM IS BEING PLAYED IN SCHOOL DISTRICT OWNED BUILDINGS AND THE CONDUCT OF PLAYERS, SPECTATORS, AND PARENTS MUST BE IN GOOD TASTE AND CONSISTENT WITH SCHOOL AND WEBER COUNTY RECREATION POLICIES. ANY PLAYER, SPECTATOR OR PARENT WHO DOES NOT ADHERE TO THESE POLICIES WILL BE ASKED TO LEAVE THE BUILDING. FAILURE TO OBEY CAN RESULT IN YOUR CHILD BEING REMOVED FROM THE GAME. IF CIRCUMSTANCES ARE OF A SERIOUS NATURE, (PROFANITY, ABUSIVE LANGUAGE, THREATENING OF OFFICIAL ETC.,) A FORFEIT CAN BE CALLED ON THE VIOLATORS TEAM. PLEASE DO NOT PENALIZE THE KIDS. WE ARE INTERESTED IN DEVELOPING WHOLESOME ATTITUDES REGARDING COMPETITION BY ALL PARTICIPANTS. **NOT: PENALTY: ANY VIOLATION OF RULE 23, 24, AND 25 THE PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE MUST REQUEST A HEARING AND APPEAR BEFORE THE BOARD OF AREA DIRECTORS BEFORE BEING ALLOWED TO RETURN. VERBAL OR WRITTEN REQUESTS MUST BE MADE TO THE WEBER COUNTY RECREATION BASKETBALL DIRECTOR.**

26. TEAMS LEADING WITH A 20 POINT OR MORE LEAD MAY NOT USE A FULL COURT PRESS DURING DEFENSE UNTIL THE LEAD HAS DROPPED BELOW 20 POINTS.

27. PLEASE NOTE: REGULARLY SCHEDULED BASKETBALL GAMES WILL NOT BE RESCHEDULED BECAUSE OF COUNTY PLAYERS PARTICIPATION IN SURE SHOT COMPETITION, 4-H ONE ON ONE, SCOUTING ACTIVITIES, ETC.,

28. OFFICIAL BALL: 6TH-12TH GRADES WILL USE THE STANDARD SIZE BASKETBALL. 5TH GRADE BOYS AND GIRLS WILL USE OFFICIAL BALL AS RECOMMENDED IN THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF STATE HIGH SCHOOL RULES.

29. LEAGUES: IN THE EVENT OF A TIE IN LEAGUE PLAY, EACH INDIVIDUAL CITY RECREATION DIRECTOR, WILL HAVE THE FINAL DECISION AS TO HOW THE LEAGUE TIE IS BROKEN FOR TOURNAMENT QUALIFICATION.

WEBER COUNTY OFFERS A GIRLS ONLY BASKETBALL PROGRAM FOR GIRLS ONLY AND A BOYS ONLY BASKETBALL PROGRAM FOR BOYS ONLY.

COACHES PLEASE NOTE;

ORGANIZE TEAMS WITH ENOUGH PLAYERS AT START OF SEASON TO TAKE CARE OF ANY EMERGENCIES, BECAUSE ADDITIONAL PLAYERS CAN'T BE ADDED AFTER THE LAST SATURDAY IN JANUARY. ALL PLAYERS HAVE TO PLAY IN LEAGUE GAMES TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR PLAY-OFFS.

ONLY GRADES 7TH, 8TH, AND 9TH WILL BE ALLOWED THE 3 POINT SHOTS. (BOYS AND GIRLS)

BOYS AND GIRLS WILL SHOOT FOULS FROM THE REGULAR FOUL SHOT LINE.