

# CSL Basketball League Rules

#### A. General

- 1. All games follow official NFHS basketball rules.
- 2. Any individual who plays for a team without being on its roster will cause that team to forfeit one of their wins.
- 3. A player may appear on only one roster and play for only one team. A player may not play for one team and then join another.
- 4. Only players who have participated in a minimum of four (4) regular season games are eligible for playoff play.
- 5. Players with blood must leave game until corrected to the satisfaction of the referees.
- 6. All Jewelry shall be removed. If it cannot be removed it shall be taped over.

#### B. Pre-Game

- 1. Each team must provide two scorekeepers for the game preceding or following theirs, as scheduled.
- 2. Players should be present 15 minutes before each game. Teams are allowed to play with a minimum of four players. An immediate forfeit will result if a team does not have at least 4 present within 5 minutes of the scheduled start of game.
- 3. Each team must wear uniforms with unique numbers clearly visible at the back of the uniform.
- 4. Each game is allocated 5 minutes of warm up time.
- 5. Each game shall begin with brief introduction and a word of prayer by either team captain.

## C. Clock and Time Management

- 1. Games consist of two 20-minute halves with running clock. Stop clock is in effect during the last two minutes each half. Halftime is 5 minutes. Mercy Rule: If the difference in score is more than 20 points with 2 minutes remaining, stop clock will NOT go into effect.
- 2. Two timeouts are allowed for each team per half. Each timeout is 45 seconds. Unused timeouts for first half do not carry over to the second half or to overtime.
- 3. The first overtime period shall be 4 minutes. One timeout per team during overtime. Sudden death (first team to score wins) will be in effect if teams are still tied after the first overtime.
- 4. Overtime is played on running clock. Stop clock is in effect during the last 60 seconds of overtime.
- 5. If a referee calls an injury time-out for a player, that player must not re-enter the game for at least two minutes. If the player does not wish to sit out, the team may use a time-out if available.

### D. Fouls

- 1. 7 team fouls result in a "one-and-one" bonus for non-shooting fouls. 10 team fouls will result in two free throws.
- 2. Every technical foul results in: a) two points for the other team, b) possession of ball for other team.
- 3. The first technical foul also results in a 2-minute suspension for the offending player.
- 4. The second technical foul also results in: ejection from the game. If there is more than one person ejected from the same team, the team forfeits.
- 5. A player with 5 fouls, fouls out of the game. Technical and double fouls also count as personal fouls.
- 6. Intentional fouls result in: a) 2 free throws for opposing team, b) possession for opposing team.
- 7. Flagrant fouls result in: a) ejection of player, b) 2 free throws awarded to opposing team, c) possession for opposing team.
- 8. Free throws: Players may enter the key on the release.



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## E. Playoffs

- 1. ALL players must compete in at least FOUR games during the regular season to be eligible for playoffs.
- 2. Injured players that do not meet the eligibility requirement may become eligible for playoffs if approval is granted by the Director and the Core Team.
- 3. Teams are seeded in their division playoff brackets based on win-loss record.
- 4. Teams that have the same record will be seeded based on the tie-breaker rules outlined below:
  - a) Head-to-head win-loss record
  - b) Total points scored against the teams that are tied (only points in games played between the tied teams are tallied)
  - c) Coin flip

### F. Player Conduct

- 1. For any form of physical assault on or off the court, the offending person shall be automatically ejected from the current game, and suspended from next game.
- 2. Unsportsmanlike behavior will not be tolerated. Disrespectful actions such as making a debasing or critical remark(s) about or to an opponent/official or vulgarity such as the use of profanity whether or not directed at someone warrants a technical foul.
- 3. Referees present at the game have authority to settle any dispute. Any dispute not settled by the referees shall be settled by the CSL Director.
- 4. Dunking is not allowed.