

.SPECTRUM SPORTS ACADEMY 2023-2024 Basketball Tournament Rules

The Home team shall provide the official book. The official book HAS to sit at the table with the visiting book being recommended to do so as well. There will be no yelling of any form or coaching from the scorer's table. Home Teams will wear white or light colored uniforms. Home Teams will be listed first or on the top of the bracket and/or schedule. The HOME TEAM will provide the game ball upon approval of officials. Boys 3rd through 6th grade will use the 28.5 ball. Boys teams 7th and up use standard men's ball (29.5)

Grades 2nd-5th – 16 minute halves with continuous clock, stopping last 2 minutes of each half. Grades 6 -8 - 18 minute halves with continuous clock, stopping last 2 minutes of each half. Grades 9th-12th run 20 minute halves with continuous clock, stopping last 2 minutes of each half. **First Overtime is 2 minutes, second one is a 1 minute, sudden death after. 3 minute half time 3 minute warm up between games** If a team is not ready to play at the end of the warm up time, that team will forfeit the game. There will be no refunds for teams affected by the forfeit. NO music of any kind can be played during warm ups or games.

Grades 3rd through 12th Running Clock Rule – (Second Half Only) At the time one team gains a 15 point or more lead the clock will NOT stop on normal whistles until the point differential is 10 points or less. The clock WILL run through free throws, etc. It WILL NOT run through timeouts. **Each team gets 2 Full Time Outs and 1 30 Second Timeouts, additional full timeout with overtime. Free Throws-always 1 and 1. No bonus free throws. Play free throws on the release.**

Ejections- If a coach, bookkeeper or player receive a flagrant technical (1) at any time during the event, they will be removed immediately. (VHSL Rules do not apply) Zero Tolerance and safety is our number one concern. PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU TELL YOUR PARENTS, PLAYERS AND STAFF! NO EXCEPTIONS!

Spectators-If a spectator is removed by an official, event staff or security, he or she will need to leave the building immediately. No exceptions! The player of that spectator will be removed as well. Please make sure your parents are aware. This is at the Tournament Director's or GM's discretion.

NO PRESS RULE-if a team is up by 25 points at any time, there is no pressing. You can press once the opposing team gets the score at 20 point spread. Only teams can be on the court during game, halftime. No exceptions. Coaches Passes: Only three passes will be issued per team. Other administrators, coaches, scorekeepers, team moms', etc will have to purchase a pass. A wristband is REQUIRED to be shown upon entry after the first game. No exceptions!

In some brackets, seeding is determined by:

- 1. Head to Head (have to play all teams-no exceptions of any kind)**
- 2. Point Differential (max 15 points)**
- 3. Fewest Points Allowed in ALL games**
- 4. Coin Toss**