



## **National Youth Christian Sports Association – (NYCSA) Basketball Operations - League Rules**

### **- Section 2 -**

All games played will be at selected facilities by the NYCSA. The league reserved the rights to change venue at their discretion. Teams will notify within forty - eight (48) of any venue changes.

High school certified officials will be use for all NYCSA games. All game officials will be certified by the NYCSA

The following game times will be use for each age group. They are as follows;

- A. 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Grades - Eight (8) minutes quarters
  - B. 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grades - Eight (8) minutes quarters
  - C. 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> / 11 Grads - Two (20) minutes halves (running time until last two minutes of each half)
- The NYCSA will provide official game balls for league play. The size will be use for games;

- A. 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> / Girls Basketball (27.5) Boys Basketball (27.5)
- B. 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> / Girls Basketball (27.5) Boys Basketball (Official Size)
- C. 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> / 11<sup>th</sup> / Girls Basketball (27.5) Boys Basketball (Official Size)

### **Standards high school rules will apply.**

Team will be issued reversible jerseys, as part of the team registration. Players' numbers must be the same number on the registration card. If you change a player number an NYCSA official must certify the change before the player can play in any league event, not an opposing coach! The change must be noted on the team roster as well. The NYCSA official can only note the number change for one (1) game on the roster. New rosters must be presented by the next game noting the change, so the NYCSA official can certified the roster. Only one (1) change can take place per season for any player! If the player has found his / her original jersey a new roster is still needed. Any roster change due to this rule a second roster must be turn into the NYCSA official noting the change for that game!

Coaches must wear their team colors while coaching on the bench. Only two (2) coaches are allowed on the bench. Team mom is allowed to sit behind the bench or at the end of the bench.

The NYCSA will provide the official scorebook. Teams' scorekeeper can sit at the table, but will only be able to communicate their respective Head Coach. The NYCSA scorer is official book, there no disputing the scorer. The NYCSA will also supply the official timer as well.

Game time is forfeit time! Teams are asked to be at the facility ninety (90) minutes before their schedule game. Head Coaches will sign off on opposing player's cards halftime before their each game. Coaches will also exchange team rosters! Only the players that have been certify to play should be in the team's book. The number of players in the book should match the number of players on the roster. All players' cards and rosters must have an NYCSA seal punch on them and the official signature. If both of the items mention above have not been executed the player cannot participate in the contest.

Head Coaches are responsible for control their players, coaches, and fans! We asked that all coaches go over these rules with their respected organization.

Any coach or player that gets ejected from a game will be notified of any further suspension by the NYCSA league office! Any player or coach who gets ejected from two (2) games for arguing with game officials, starting altercations, or any other behavior deemed excess by an NYCSA official will constitute suspension from the league at the discretion of Executive Regional Director, State Director, and Chief Compliance Officer of NYCSA. The Executive VP – Competition & Officials at the NYCSA must be notified of any suspensions, of coaches or players.

Each grade division will consist of eight (8) teams. All teams from each division will make the playoffs. In case of a tie within the division the tie - breaker will base on the following;

- A. Head to head competition
- B. Team total scoring
- C. Team total point against
- D. Record within the division

No basketballs will be allowed in the gym. The NYCSA will supply pre - game balls along with the game ball. No outside food will be permitted into the facility! Concession will be provide at each game facility.

Any game protests must be in writing and submitted to an NYCSA official within twenty - four (24) hours after the game. All protests must be accompanied with a twenty - five (\$25) dollar fee. If your protest is upheld your monies will be refunded. Protests must be base on rule infractions, ***not referees calls!***

Teams can start a game with four (4) players! Players must be available when opposing coaches are reviewing and signoff on player cards. Teams need to review players no later than half time of the game before there. Any players that are late for the reviewing will not be able to play in the game until halftime. The NYCSA official can review the late players with the team moms from both teams. Teams cannot register new players at halftime. Only players that are late can be signoff are the players that already have been certified by an NYCSA official prior to the contest.

Any time a team is leading by more than twenty - five (25) points the clock will continue to running until the deficit has fell below the twenty - five (25) point rule.

When a player accumulates his / her fourth (4) fragrant foul or fourth (4) technical fouls he / she will be suspended by the league for a minmuim of two games.

Warm up period before the game will be eight (8) minutes and half time will be eight (8) minutes in length.

There will no three – point line acknowledgement in our league for the 4<sup>th</sup> grade and below groups! We feel this will allow our teams at the lower groups to play better basketball. Only the 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, and 10<sup>th</sup> / 11<sup>th</sup> grade group will be able to use the three – point line during competition.

All coaches must attend a mandatory coaches' certification class before being allowed to coach in the NYCSA. During this certification class the following will take place;

- A. Coaches clinic & introductions of NYCSA Facility Directors
- B. Rules of the league & Coaches Code of Conduct will be discussed
- C. League Badges & League schedules issued

Facility address and directions

NYCSA will rank all the teams that play within our organization. Ranking teams will be based on teams win / loss record, quality of players, and team points scored and points given up during league games. This is "National League" that will spread around the country, so rankings will be at the local and national level. Teams will be ranked each week and updated on our website. This is the only true ranking system!