

NEXT GENERATION SPORTS TOURNAMENT RULES

Team Roster: Only players on the team's roster will be allowed to participate in the tournament's games. It is the coach responsibility to ensure previous submitted rosters are up to date. Players MUST play in a minimum of 2 pool games to participate in bracket games.

Teams must have proper documentation (proof of age; ei; copy of birth certificate, passport, State ID, National Sports ID. etc. & report card) to support accuracy of team's roster. Coaches or team admin should have team's roster and documentation on hand throughout the entire tournament.

Game Guarantees: Your team will be guaranteed to be scheduled for a minimum of three games. (If a team forfeits a game, the scheduled game will count as a win (+15 points) for the opposing team).

BALLS: Only coaches are allowed to bring 2 basketballs into the facility. The home team is responsible for game ball.

Coaches Passes/Attire: 2 per team (applies to coaches and assistant coaches only). Individuals must sign in to receive pass. Coaches with coaches bands must sit on players bench during games. Coaches must wear a collared polo styled shirt or a team shirt. (ei; a t-shirt with the team name of it)

Players/Fans on the Court- Only players and coaches on the team's roster will be allowed on the courts during the team's game time. Fans are not allowed to play on the court during any part of the tournament. This includes but is not limited to; bouncing a basketball, shooting a basketball, dribbling a basketball, walking on the basketball court. Fans and other teams are not allowed on the court during any time of a times basketball game. This includes but is not limited to; during warm ups, during time outs, during halftime, etc.

Uniforms: Players' jerseys must have numbers on both the front and back. Numbers can be 00-99.

Uniform Colors: Home wears white/light colored jerseys and Visitor wears dark jerseys. All players must be in team uniform. A t-shirt is not considered a uniform.

Misbehavior/Ejections:

1. Any coach ejected for fighting will be removed for the remainder of the tournament.
2. Any player recorded on the official score sheet as ejected for fighting will be prohibited from playing in their next scheduled game. Penalties up to expulsion from the tournament can be levied upon players ejected for fighting.
3. If a coach or player is ejected from a game for unsportsmanlike conduct (not fighting), he/she must leave the visible game area for the duration of the game.
4. If a coach or player is ejected a second time, he/she will be ineligible for participating in the remainder of the tournament.
5. Coaches or athletes who leave the confines of the bench to engage players, coaches, fans, or officials on the playing floor can face expulsion from the tournament.
6. NGS may impose suspensions or other penalties which occurs at any time and any location during the event.
7. Coaches and athletes who engage in misbehavior may be subject to additional disciplinary action from local police department.
8. No parent or fan may enter the playing court for any reason unless beckoned onto the court by the game officials (referees) or the Tournament Directory. Entering without being beckoned onto the play surface can and will result in immediate ejection from the facility and being barred from returning for the current tournament and future tournaments. Misbehavior of parents or fans could result in the pursuance of disciplinary action from the local police department.

Liability

As parent/guardian/coach, I hold legal responsibility for the participant(s) listed below. I release and agree to indemnify and hold harmless Next Generation Sports, LLC, and/or its affiliate organizations, employees, coaches, including but not limited to its owners, from any and all legal actions, causes of actions, claims and demands for, upon or by reason of any injury which at any time may be sustained by the participant(s) participating in this basketball tournament. I certify and agree that my child/player is physically capable of participating in this basketball tournament. I release and agree to indemnify and hold harmless Next Generation Sports, LLC, and/or its affiliate organizations, employees, coaches, including but not limited to its owners, from any and all legal actions, causes of actions, claims and demands for, upon or by reason of any injury which at any time may be sustained by a parent, coach, spectator, and/or but not limited to fans attending this basketball tournament.

Protest Procedures

Official protests must meet all of the following guidelines:

- Upon alleged infraction, protest must be communicated immediately to the official scorer's table by the head coach (or assistant coach if the head coach has been ejected).
- Upon completion of the game, protest must immediately be communicated to the Site Director by the head coach.
- A \$50.00 (cash) fee must accompany the written protest and be delivered to the Tournament Director within one hour of completion of the game.
- Protests pertaining to an official's judgment call will not be considered. Protests in which a potential rule infraction has occurred may be considered if the infraction had a direct impact on the outcome of the game and falls within the guidelines of the correctable error rules. • A committee will consider all protests and make every attempt to provide a ruling prior to the team's next scheduled game.
- Successful protests will result in refund of the \$50.00 protest fee.
- Unsuccessful protests will result in forfeiture of the \$50.00 protest fee

Sportsmanship: It is the obligation of coaches, players, administrators, volunteers, and other representatives to practice the highest principles of sportsmanship and to observe the ethics of competition. Good sportsmanship is defined as qualities of behavior, which are characterized by courtesy and genuine concern for others. The display of good sportsmanship is a statement of the individual's understanding and commitment to fair play, ethical behavior and integrity.

The following ethical guidelines should be observed by all coaches:

- The coach shall never place the value of winning above the value of instilling the highest desirable ideals of character. The coach must always consider the personal safety of the athlete.
- The coach shall be thoroughly acquainted with the rules and regulations of competition and shall be responsible for the interpretation to team members.
- Game officials shall have the respect and support of the coach. The coach shall not indulge in conduct which will incite the players or spectators against the officials. Public criticism of the officials or players is unethical. · The coach should respect his opponents, display gracious behavior during competition and require his players to conduct themselves in similar fashion. Before and after the contest, rival coaches should exchange friendly greetings to set the correct tone for the event.
- Coaches shall actively use their influence to enhance sportsmanship by spectators

GAME TIMES	2nd-5th Grade Two-12 Minute halves	6th-8th Grade Two-14 Minute halves	9th-12th Grade Two-14 Minute halves
Warm Up	2 minute Warm up	Half Time	2 minute halftime
Clock	Clock Stops at dead balls, time-outs & free throws		
GRACE PERIODS	Teams must have an adult coach and a minimum of 4 players to start the game. **All games must start at scheduled time unless games are running behind schedule. Final Grace Period determination will be at the discretion of the tournament director.		
Time Outs	Two Per half (One full & One 30 second)		
Over Time	1st 2-minutes Clock Stops at Free Throws only	2nd 2-minutes Clock Does Not Stop	3rd 1-minute Clock Does Not Stop
Fouls	Players will foul out after 5 fouls	7 fouls One & One	10+ fouls 2 Shots
Technical	2 Technical automatic game ejection Players/Coaches who are ejected from the game must exit the facility for the remainder of the game time.	Use of Profanity by player or coach will result in a technical. (This rule will be enforced based on the severity of use and at the refs discretion of need)	Physical Altercations will result in an automatic game ejection. It will be at the event directors discretion if the altercation will result in ejection from remainder of event.
Point Lead	If a team is up by 20 points in the second half , the clock will run until the lead is under 20 points.		
Game Ball	The home team is 28.5 29.5 responsible for the game Game balls must be ALL Girl great condition & indoor balls	Boys 2nd -6th Boys 7th- Teams	Varsity ball.
Full Court Pressure	If at any time during a game a team gains a lead of 30 points or more, the leading team will NOT be allowed to apply full court pressure against the opposing team until the point differential drops below 20 points. Failure to adhere to this rule will 1st result in a team warning, 2nd technical fouls will be enforced on the leading team. This rule applies to all age groups.		
BALLS	Coaches are only allowed to bring up to two balls into the facility. Players/Siblings are not allowed to bring a basketball into the facility or dribble the basketball inside the facility.		
Bench Personal	A team may have on its bench only the eligible persons listed on its official roster and one nonplayer (coaches, scorekeeper, etc.). At least one person age 18 or older must be on the bench at all times		

2018-2019 School Year

AGE/GRADE ELIGIBILITY RULES

7U/1st Grade- An athlete must be in the 1st grade or below for the 2018-19 school year and cannot turn 8 prior to September 1, 2019.

8U/2nd Grade - An athlete must be in the 2nd grade or below for the 2018-19 school year and cannot turn 9 prior to September 1, 2019.

9U/3rd Grade - An athlete must be in the 3rd grade or below for the 2018-19 school year and cannot turn 10 prior to September 1, 2019.

10U/4th Grade - An athlete must be in the 4th grade or below for the 2018-19 school year and cannot turn 11 prior to September 1, 2019.

11U/5th Grade - An athlete must be in the 5th grade or below for the 2018-19 school year and cannot turn 12 prior to September 1, 2019.

12U/6th Grade - An athlete must be in the 6th grade or below for the 2018-19 school year and cannot turn 13 prior to September 1, 2019.

13U/7th Grade - An athlete must be in the 7th grade or below for the 2018-19 school year and cannot turn 14 prior to September 1, 2019.

14U/8th Grade - An athlete must be in the 8th grade or below for the 2018-19 school year and cannot turn 15 prior to September 1, 2019.

Grade/Age Exceptions-Up to 2 players per team are allowed as a grade/age exception. Grade/Age Exception classifies as a player who is in the correct grade division based on the 2018-2019 report card calendar year, but is up to one year older than Age/Grade eligibility allows. Coaches must provide proof of grade and age for Grade/Age Exceptions ei; Current Report Card and Copy of Birth Certificate.

NO GRADE EXCEPTIONS FOR 1st-4th GRADE Grade/Age Exceptions Rules

5th Grade - An athlete must be in the 5th grade or below for the 2018-19 school year and cannot turn 13 prior to September 1, 2019.

6th Grade - An athlete must be in the 6th grade or below for the 2018-19 school year and cannot turn 14 prior to September 1, 2019.

7th Grade - An athlete must be in the 7th grade or below for the 2018-19 school year and cannot turn 15 prior to September 1, 2019.

8th Grade - An athlete must be in the 8th grade or below for the 2018-19 school year and cannot turn 16 prior to September 1, 2019.

9th Grade - 12th Grade Eligibility Rules

9th Grade - An athlete must be in the 9th grade or below for the 2018-19 school year and cannot turn 17 prior to September 1, 2019.

10th Grade - An athlete must be in the 10th grade or below for the 2018-19 school year and cannot turn 18 prior to September 1, 2019.

11th Grade - An athlete must be in the 11th grade or below for the 2018-19 school year and cannot turn 19 prior to September 1, 2019.

12th Grade - An athlete must be in the 12th grade or below for the 2018-19 school year and cannot turn 20 prior to September 1, 2019.

TO PLAY DOWN A GRADE LEVEL

A player must meet the age requirements of the grade level division. For example: A player in 8th Grade is 13 years of age and date of birth is September 19, 2005. This player is allowed to play 13U/7th grade due to meeting the age requirements for 13U/7th Grade.

2018-2019 ELIGIBILITY MATERIAL OPTIONS

1. National Sports ID
2. Copy of Birth Certificate
3. Valid Passport (Meets age and photo ID requirements)
4. Valid Driver's License or Learner's Permit (Meets age and photo ID requirements)
5. Military ID card (Meets age and photo ID requirements)
6. Dept. of Motor Vehicles State Identification card (Meets age and photo ID requirements) 7. Report Card (Meets grade requirement)