



## **ARMSTRONG CLASSIC BOYS TRAVELING BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT RULES**

THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL RULE BOOK WILL BE FOLLOWED EXCEPT AS NOTED BELOW:

**TIMING** – Two, 14 minute halves with stop-time at each whistle. Halftime will be three (3) minutes (tournament officials may shorten half times if needed). Five minutes will be allowed for warm-up between games (tournament officials may shorten). There will be a running clock with under 10 minutes remaining in the second half if a team has a 20 pt. lead *except* during a championship game, where there will be no running time, unless both head coaches agree. Once the lead has dropped to 10 points, running time will stop.

**OVERTIME** - In all games, the first overtime will be two (2) minutes stop-time and the second overtime will be sudden death. The first team to score in sudden death will be the winner, including scoring by free throw.

**TIME-OUTS** - Each team will be allowed three (3) one minute time-outs per game. One additional time out will be granted per overtime period. No time outs allowed in sudden death.

**REPORTING** - Players should be present at least 20 minutes before scheduled game time. Lineups must be in the official scorebook at the scorer's table before the start of the game. A team must have 5 players to start a game. A team will forfeit its game if 5 players are not on the court, ready to play, 5 minutes past the scheduled start time.

**HOME TEAMS** - In most cases, our SportNgin software has determined the HOME and AWAY teams on the printed schedule at each gym. If not, **HOME TEAM** will be determined by the team listed on the top of the tournament bracket and will be listed in the book and on the scoreboard as "HOME" team. HOME TEAM has the choice of uniform color. HOME TEAM will provide game ball. **HOME TEAM is responsible for providing a score keeper.** Score book is provided.

**FOULS** - In each half, bonus free throws will begin being awarded on the 7th team foul and double bonus free throws will begin being awarded on the 10th foul. A player with 5 fouls will be disqualified from the game. A team cannot use a player with 5 fouls for participation in the game under any circumstance. If a **TECHNICAL FOUL** is called for any reason, free throws will not be shot; 2 points and possession of the ball will be awarded to the opposing team.

**DEFENSE** - There will be no restrictions as to the type of team defense used during the tournament, including presses, except as follows:

### **Defenses/Pressing**

- 4<sup>th</sup> Grade: No zone defense, no full-court press and no half-court trapping. Switching on screens is allowed. Help defense is allowed in the lane area. Officials should enforce this rule by giving a warning for the first offense and by awarding a technical foul for any subsequent violations.
- 5<sup>th</sup> thru 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Teams: Full-court pressing defenses will not be allowed by teams having a 20 point or greater lead at any time during the game. This includes both zone and person-to-person defenses. Once the lead has dropped to 10 points, full-court defense will be allowed again.

**SCORING** - The 3-point rule will be in effect only where a 3-point line exists.

**SPORTSMANSHIP** – Coaches are responsible for the conduct of their fans. Spectators exhibiting poor sportsmanship (rude conduct) will be asked to leave the building. If a spectator refuses, the game will be forfeited. Independent security personnel will be on-site and will be asked to intervene, if necessary.

**AWARDS** – Awards will be issued to 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and Consolation where applicable. Due to planning purposes, only ten awards will be obtained for each team in each category regardless of the number of players on the winning teams. Awards will be issued at the Awards Table on the South Mezzanine Level (overlooking Court 1). Proceed to the awards area following the appropriate game to claim the appropriate award and take team photos.

**MEDICS** – Medical staff will be located in the office at Court 2 at Armstrong High School. At Plymouth Middle School, in the hallway near Court 6.

***ALL DECISIONS OF THE GAME REFEREE WILL BE FINAL. NO PROTESTS WILL BE ALLOWED.***

Thank you for participating. Good Luck - Teams!