

**Youth Recreation Basketball Rules
K thru 8**

	Kindergraten	Rookie 1st, 2nd & Rkg	Rec 3rd, 4th & Rg	JH5 & JHG5/6	JH6, JHG7/8, & JH7/8
Basket Height	8 ft	8 ft	9 ft	10 ft	10 ft
Ball Size	27.5	27.5	28.5	28.5	28.5
Free Throw line	13 ft	13 ft	15 ft	15 ft	15 ft
Time per half	18 min	18 min	18 min	16 min (8 min quarters)	16 min (8 min quarters)
2 Minute Time Rule				Clock stops last two min each half	Clock stops last two min each half
# Fouls per game	Does not apply	Does not apply	Does not apply	5 fouls	5 fouls
Start the game	Coin toss	Coin toss	Coin toss	Jump ball	Jump ball
Foul shots	Shooting fouls only	Shooting fouls only	Shooting fouls only	Shooting fouls & 2 shots on 5th team foul of quarter	Shooting fouls & 2 shots on 5th team foul of quarter
Clock	Running Clock	Running Clock	Running Clock	Stops last 2 min Each half Clock stops for shooting fouls	Stops last 2 min Each half Clock stops for shooting fouls
Mercy Rule	Does not apply	Does not apply	Does not apply	2nd half - once a team has a 20 pt lead clock stops only for Coach's timeout	
Scorers Table	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
Time Kept	By Officials	By Officials	By Officials	Scorer's table	Scorer's table
OVERTIME	Does not apply	Does not apply	Does not apply	2 Minutes -2 minute time rule in effect	2 Minutes-2 minute time rule in effect
Press	Not allowed	Not Allowed	Not Allowed	Not Allowed	2nd Half Only No press if up 15pts or more
Defense	man-to-man wrist band	man-to-man wrist band	man-to-man wrist band	man-to-man or Zone	man-to-man or Zone
3 Sec Rule	Not Enforced	Not enforced	Not enforced	Enforced	Enforced
Participation	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
Trophies					
Game Shirts	LPRD Blue/white reversible \$20	LPRD Blue/white reversible \$20	LPRD Blue/white reversible \$20	T-Shirt provided with number	T-Shirt provided with number
Home Team Color	White	White	White		

* We ask ALL coaches to teach what double dribble is, traveling and three seconds.

* Since we do not have a score bench (K-4) substitutions may be made during any dead ball situation or time outs.

* Officials are asked to get eye contact with coaches during these dead ball situations to enable substitutions to be made.

***Full court pressure will not be allowed in grades K thru 5. Once a rebound is secured the defense must fall back.**

* Colored wristbands will be issued in grades K thru 4. Players are to guard the person with the same color wristband.

* Coaches in the kindergarten and Rookie leagues may be on the floor to give instruction.

Reminder. Everyone has a job to do (pick **one**):

1. Players -PLAY
2. Coaches - COACH
3. Officials - OFFICIATE
4. Spectators - SPECTATE

Please help us to continue to educate everyone involved with your son/daughters youth sports experiece to provide a positive atmosphere for everyone. Everyone needs to know what there **one** job is. Most problems arise when someone is trying to do someone else's job.

The Lawrence Parks & Recreation reserves the right to remove any, coach, spectator or player from competition for a game and/or games if the act is directing harmful or abusive language at officials, staff or at the opposing team the penalty could be dismissal from the league.

If you have any questions or concerns feel free to contact the Youth Sports Supervisor at: email ice@lawrencecs.org or call 330-7355.

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