



City of Brownsville Parks and Recreation Youth Summer Basketball League

General Rules:

1. Players can move up in a division but cannot move down.
2. All team rosters must be turned in at the scorekeeper table before each game.
3. Any coach or player ejected from a scheduled game shall be required to leave the gym within (1) one minute. Failure to comply may result in a forfeit.
4. Officials and gym attendant(s) will fill out an incident report and turn it in to the league coordinator. League coordinator will review and hand out disciplinary action if necessary.
5. Profanity, Vulgarity or misconduct of any kind will not be tolerated. Players, coaches, parents, guardians, or spectators shall be ejected from the game and the gym area or grounds.
6. Any coach involved in a fight shall be suspended from coaching the remainder of the season.
7. No foul language, intimidation or harassing of player(s) will be tolerated. Parents and other offenders will be removed from the gym.
8. Any coach who constantly objects to the decisions of a game official could be subject to ejection from the game and the team's next scheduled game. Should a coach pursue a game official to complain about a call and to make profane remarks, said coach could be indefinitely suspended from the league
9. Any coach seen by an official, league coordinator, gym supervisor, or parent consuming alcoholic beverages before or during a scheduled game shall not be permitted to participate in said game and will be suspended for the remainder of the season.
10. Any team using ineligible player(s) will forfeit the games said player(s) played.
11. If a situation arises that is not covered in the rules, the league coordinator or gym attendant will have the final decision.
12. Each team must be uniformed by 1 week after games begin. Also, if both teams have matching color uniforms the away team must wear the practice jerseys. Uniform for this league will only require matching color shirts or jerseys with minimum 6-inch numbers printed on the back, we know some teams order full uniforms but note that this is not a requirement of this league.

Playing Rules:

1. **A team roster will only include those players who paid league registration fee.** No additions are allowed unless the league office approves.
2. **Game length:** 6U will have two (12) twelve-minute halves running clock. 8U will have two (14) fourteen-minute halves running clock. All other divisions will have two (16) sixteen-minute halves running clock.
3. The clock stops on timeouts, and in the last two minutes of the 2nd half. The game officials may use their discretion to stop the clock for injury, ball retrieval, etc...
4. **Point Spread Rule:** If one team is ahead by (15) fifteen or more points during the last (2) two minutes of the 2nd half, the clock will remain a running clock, except for time-outs.
5. **Free Throws:** 6U will be shooting from volleyball back line (all gymnasium floors have it marked) 8U will be shooting 36in back (midpoint between Volleyball back line & free throw line) 10U and 12U will be shooting at the regulation free throw line.
6. **Forfeits:** Teams will be allowed to start games with 4 players but must have their 5th player by the start of the second half. If there are still only 4 players at the start of the second half, then the game will be forfeited. After a team's second forfeit, it is the leagues discretion weather the team will be withdrawn from the league if that is a result no refunds will be issued.
7. **Time Outs:** Each team shall be allowed (2) two-time outs per half. In case of overtime, each team shall be allowed (1) one time out. No time outs from regulation will carry over.
8. **Overtime:** If the score is tied at the end of regulation play there will be a (3) minute overtime period. If the game is tied after the first overtime, then a second overtime will be played. If the game is still tied, we will continue the overtime play until a winner is decided.
9. Only (1) one coach may be standing during the game. There may be an assistant, but that person must remain seated during the game (except during time-outs). No parent(s) may be on the bench area during game time.

Basketball Specifications:

8U boys and girls, 10U boys and girls, 12UG, 14UG, 16UG, & 18U Girls will use the official women's basketball size 28.5; 12UB - Varsity boys will use the regulation men's size ball, 29.5

6U will use the 27.5 youth basketball.

Full court Defense (press):

Pressing will be open throughout the game unless a team is winning by (15) fifteen or more points, the winning team will not be allowed to press until the point spread goes down less than (15) fifteen points. 6U will not allow full court press, players must remain on their defensive side of the court. Behind the 10 Foot Volleyball Line.

Substitution:

All divisions will have open substitution. Keep in mind coaches are responsible for the amount of playing time a player receives.

Technical Foul:

If a player is guilty of committing a technical foul, player must sit out for (5) minutes of playing time. If a player commits a second technical foul, player will not be allowed to play the remainder of the game and the teams next scheduled game.

Sportsmanship:

All players and coaches will lineup and shake hands with the opposing team no matter the outcome of the game.

Protest:

There will be no protesting an official's call. The teams coach must completely fill out an official protest form and turn it in with a \$30.00 fee to the Parks and Recreation Office by 4:30 PM on the day after the protested game. If the game you are protesting is played on a Friday or Saturday, the protest must be filed the following Monday. If the protest is allowed, the protest fee will be refunded.

Any player suspected of being older than the division's requirement may be brought up to the onsite Gym Attendant or game official. Decisions will be made before the said player's next scheduled game.

For any coach using illegal player(s) said coach and illegal player will not be allowed to participate in any other City of Brownsville Parks & Recreation Department league, sport, or activities.

For any further questions or concerns about the rules, please feel free to reach us at our Oliveira Park Office at 104 El Paso Road, Brownsville, Texas 78521 Monday-Friday 8AM-12PM and 1PM-5PM at (956) 547-6861