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MEMORANDUM FOR INTRAMURAL BASKETBALL COACHES

FROM: 87 FSS/FSVS

SUBJECT: Intramural Basketball By-Laws

1. **Purpose:** The purpose of the Intramural Basketball League is to encourage participation, enhance sportsmanship, promote good physical conditioning, and improve esprit de corps.
2. **Eligibility:**
   1. Open to all Military, DOD personnel, Dependents 18 years of age or older, assigned or attached to Joint Base MDL. All individuals, military and civilian, must participate with their unit of assignment.
   2. Individuals TDY for 30 days or more must participate with the assigned unit for the duration of that TDY. Individuals must present a valid Military ID and a copy of his/her orders to the Intramural Sports Director.
   3. Members of a team that forfeit out of the league will be permitted to join the Player’s Pool if, and only if, their team has **NOT played more than 50% of the season games**.
   4. Individuals assigned to a unit that does not field a team in the league will be placed in the players’ pool. Individuals must submit a letter of release from their squadron/ unit to the Intramural Sports Director before they will be placed in the players’ pool. The release letter must be signed by his/her Unit Sports Representative authorizing them to be placed in the players’ pool.
   5. **Individuals assigned to a unit that has a team in the league, and plays for any other team is defined as an illegal player.**
   6. A gym staff member will check all IDs and match it with the active roster at the score table.
   7. Teams found to have illegal players on their roster shall forfeit all games that the player participated.
   8. It is the responsibility of the coaches to ensure the eligibility of all players, all rosters must have a First Sergeant or Commander signature verifying that all participating members are from the same squadron. **No team will be allowed to participate without that signature on their team’s roster NO EXCEPTIONS! All additions made during the season will be verified by the sports office.**
   9. Individuals who are placed on a team from the players’ pool are to remain on that team for the duration of the season. **If that team forfeits out during the season, having played 50 % of the games, the member will not be placed back into the players’ pool, nor can any other team gain this member. *The season is over for this member.***
3. **Team Rosters:** Rosters must be submitted to the Intramural Sports Director prior to the first scheduled game. Team rosters must be typed, without exception, and must include each individual’s full name, rank, organization, and duty section.
   1. Teams may consist of as many players as desired by the squadron, if the squadron enters more than one team into the league, it must be specific to what team A or B the players’ is assigned too. Players’ assigned to team A, cannot participate in a game as a member of team B, and vice versa. Any such roster changes would deem the players’ involved as illegal players’. Only coaches or assistant coaches can make changes to the roster.

* 1. Roster changes must be submitted to the Sports Director, on an updated roster, no later than 1000 hrs the following duty day of the game the player(s) participated, and was added to the team roster prior to that game (This simply means that if you had a game Monday night and Amn Smith played for you but was not on your roster you have until Tuesday at 1000hrs to update your roster). Roster changes can be made anytime during the regular season. No additions will be made after the regular season is complete.

1. **Postponements:** To ensure the league is conducted appropriately, postponements will be kept to an absolute low. Postponements will be made for inclement weather, military necessity, base alerts, and mobility exercises.
   1. Requests for postponements must be due to official military commitments that limit more than 50% of the team roster from participating in scheduled games.
   2. The team coach will notify the Intramural Sports Director NLT 1000 hrs the day before the game.
   3. All requests for postponements will include an the nature of the emergency, percentage of personnel involved, conflicting dates and time, etc and be endorsed by the Commander/

1st Sergeant. *Note:* Leaves, recreational tours, permissive TDY’s and unit social events are not legitimate reasons for postponement. The written notification **MUST** be in the Intramural Sports Directors hands NLT 1000 hrs the day of the game.

* 1. The Intramural Sports Director may postpone scheduled games prior to 1500hrs the day of the game. If you are **NOT** notified of a cancellation before 1500, you must report as scheduled.
  2. Failure to comply with any policies mentioned above is cause for a forfeit.

1. **Conduct and Sportsmanship:**
   1. Sportsmanship can be defined as abiding by the rules of the game, decision of officials, and accepting victory or defeat graciously.
   2. Unsportsmanlike conduct by a player or coach will not be tolerated.
      1. **Coaches Ethics**: The head coach will be held accountable for his/her conduct and the conduct of assistants, players, and all others under his/her supervision during games.
      2. Dead Ball Technical Fouls:

* Intentionally kicking/throwing the ball.
* Slamming the ball into the ground.
* Throwing the ball high into the air or into the wall
  + 1. Prohibited Acts: There shall be no unsportsmanlike conduct by players, substitutes, coaches or others subject to the Rules. Examples include, but are not limited to:
* Attempting to influence a decision by an official.
* Disrespectfully addressing an official.
* Indicating objections to an official's decision.
* Holding an unauthorized conference, or being on the floor illegally.
* Using profanity, insulting or vulgar language or gestures.
* Intentionally contacting a game official physically during the game by persons subject to the rules.
  + 1. If a player is ejected for unsportsmanlike conduct, he/she will not be allowed to play the remainder of the game and the next scheduled game.
    2. Players ejected must immediately leave the facility (out of sight and sound) or the game will be forfeited. However, if conduct is determined to be flagrant by the official, he/she will not be allowed to play the remainder of the game and the team's next two scheduled game. Security Forces will be called to assist if any player, coach, or spectator that refuses to leave the area or facility.
    3. A recurring incident will result in that player/team being suspended for the rest of the season/playoffs.

1. **Forfeits:**
   1. If a team does not have at least 5 players present at the scheduled start time of the game, or (after by-law # 6.2 goes into effect). The game will be declared a forfeit, and the opposing team will be awarded a 2-0 win.
   2. There will be a 5 minute grace period for the 1730 game only. By the end of the grace period if the 5th player is not dressed, in the book and on the floor. A forfeit will be declared. **Teams should make every opportunity to be ready to play by the scheduled game.**
   3. The Referee or any member of the Fitness Center staff may declare a contest forfeited for reason of gross unsportsmanlike conduct. Anywhere in the Fitness Center. Not just the game in which they are playing. The Referee or Fitness Center Staff member will provide a written report of the incident to the Intramural Sports Director NLT noon the next duty day.
   4. If a team forfeits two consecutive contests, or three in a season, they will automatically be disqualified from further competition for the remainder of the season.
2. **Protests:** 
   1. Any team wishing to make a protest must verbally protest and ensure the protest is annotated on the scorebook during the game or at the conclusion.
   2. A letter delivered to the Intramural Sports Director by Noon the next duty day must follow up all protests.
   3. All written protests must include:
      1. The date, time, and teams.
      2. The names of the officials for that game.
      3. Disputed call for which protest is being made or the name of the player believed to be

Ineligible.

* + 1. The decision and outcome surrounding the making of the specific incident.
    2. All other essential information pertaining to the protested matter.

1. **Rules of Play:**
   1. The 2021/22 NCAA rules and these bylaws will govern play.
   2. Games will be played in 20-minute halves with a RUNNING clock. There will be a 3-minute half time. Overtime will be 3 minutes with the last minute a regulation clock.
   3. The last minute of the first half will be a regulation clock.
   4. The last minute of the second half will be a regulation clock.

8.5. Both teams need to have 5 players dressed and ready at game time, or the games will be ruled a forfeit.

8.6. Line-ups should be annotated in the official scorebook 5 minutes prior to game time.

8.7. Each player will be allowed 5 fouls. NOTE: technical fouls will be assessed as a personal foul.

8.8. Each team will be allowed 4 time-outs (2 per half) for the entire game, one 30 second time outs and one full timeout. One full timeout for each team in overtime period.

8.9. No shorts or pants with belt loops or pockets will be worn. **No Exceptions!!!!!** No part of

the military uniform will be worn. No jewelry allowed. All exception will be determined by

officials, arm sleeves will be allowed.

1. **Post Season Tournament:**
   1. There will be a double elimination tournament at the end of the regular season.
   2. The rules for the tournament will remain the same as the regular season.
   3. Tiebreakers will be head to head, and then points differential if necessary.
2. **Awards:**
   1. One team award will be awarded to the JB MDL Champions
3. **Safety:** Each participant should ensure that proper warm-up is conducted prior to participating in any contest. Coaches should ensure safety is the first priority for the team members and proper equipment and techniques are used to ensure player safety.
4. **Open Clause:** The Intramural Sports Director shall review and modify these Bylaws as necessary to ensure the integrity of this program. Anything not covered in these bylaws will be at the discretion of the Intramural Sports Director and the Fitness Center Director or their designated representative.