



## K/1<sup>st</sup> Grade Boys Basketball Rules

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Kindergarten/1<sup>st</sup> Grade Jr Jazz Basketball is an instructional recreation program for kids to build skills and learn the fundamentals of the game, in a positive up-lifting environment.

Game schedules may be found at: [www.quickscores.com/laytoncity](http://www.quickscores.com/laytoncity)

1. Each game will consist of two halves – 12 minutes each and 3 minute half-time. The clock will not stop unless there is a time-out.
2. Each team will practice for 20 minutes prior to their games on Saturday. The home team will practice on the west basket and wear light jersey – away team on east basket and dark jerseys.
3. There are no forfeits. Teams may be mixed together if one team is short so that a game can be played with those in attendance.
4. Score will not be kept during the game.
5. Each team will be allowed one time-out per half. Time-outs cannot be carried over if not used. Time-outs are :30 seconds.
6. The home team will take the ball out of bounds at mid-court to begin the game. Alternating possession will then dictate possession on tie-up/jump balls and 2<sup>nd</sup> half possession.
7. Coaches will ensure each player will play half of the game. **This is not negotiable.**
8. Stealing the ball is not permitted on a dribbler or passer. Passes may be deflected and shots may be blocked. The defense may not play defense outside of the 3-point arc. Please teach position defense with hands up or to the side. We are trying to eliminate the hitting/hacking down on dribblers and passers.
9. Double teaming is only permitted after the ball enters the key. There is no pressure allowed at all in the back court. Once a rebound is secured by the defense the other team must retreat to their defensive basket.
10. Coaches can choose to play man-to-man or zone defense. Coaches may be on the court to teach their players, but must stay near the end-line and side-lines.
11. The game ball size is 28.5 inches. Baskets will be at a height of 8 feet.

12. All other fouls and violations relating to the game of basketball will be followed, including but not limited to: traveling, double-dribble, pushing, blocking, charging, moving screen, etc.
- **The 1<sup>st</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> games – fouls/violations will be called and the offensive team will retain the ball.**
  - **The 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> games, fouls/violations will result in the team turning the ball over.**
13. Shooting fouls will result in the offended team taking the ball out of bounds. **NO SHOOTING OF FREE THROWS.**

**Sportsmanship and Player/Parent/Coach Conduct**

Coaches, parents, and players are expected to exhibit the highest level of sportsmanship at all times. This instructional recreation league will be a positive and constructive environment for kids to learn and have fun playing basketball.

**A. Language**

- a. The use of profane, derogatory, or abusive language will not be tolerated. This type of language may result in a technical foul and could lead to the violator being ejected, without prior warning, from the building and serving at minimum a one game suspension.
- b. Arguing with the site supervisors will not be tolerated.

**B. Fighting**

- a. Any player, parent, or coach that engages in a fight with other players, spectators, facility guests, game officials, or other Layton Recreation staff will be suspended from the league for the remainder of the season, at a minimum.

Fighting includes but is not limited to: punching, kicking, slapping, hitting, hand gestures, etc. (contact is not required).

- b. Individuals involved in any physical altercation may also be prosecuted.

**C. Supervision**

Adult supervision is required for all players and any spectators (siblings, etc.) Children are not allowed to be left unattended at any time, for any reason. Children may not play/climb/run/ on school and City property **including the courts (prior, during, or after games)**, bleachers, wrestling mats, as well as the lobby and restroom areas.

**D. WATER ONLY**

Water only, for players, is allowed inside the gym. **NO OTHER FOOD OR DRINK IS ALLOWED.** No Gatorade, sports drinks, coffee, food, etc. If you have team treats, they must be distributed outside the gym area.

**Layton Rec reserves the right to disqualify, suspend, or remove any player, coach or spectator.**