

PREMIER SPORTS OF NORTH TEXAS, LLC
North Texas Premier Basketball (NTPB)
Rules & Regulations

RULES OF PLAY

NFHS Basketball rules will apply unless specified by NTPB.

- Teams will play 8 regular season games plus the end of the season playoff. (If teams qualify)
- Four 8 minute quarters.
- Running clock throughout the game including free throws.
- The clock will stop on all whistles in the last minute of the 1st & 2nd half. (End of 2nd & 4th quarters)
- A fast clock will go into effect when a team is up by 15 points or more. The leading team must retreat back to half court and cannot press. (Penalty: 1st Infraction - verbal warning, 2nd Infraction - technical foul assessed to the Head Coach)
- Teams will have 4 timeouts per game. (30 second each)
- 3 minute overtime periods if games are tied at the end of regulation. 1 additional timeout will be added per overtime period and regulation timeouts will carry over.
- FREE THROW LINES
2nd Grade Division - 9 feet (can step on or over) *Subject to change*
3rd & 4th Grade Divisions - 12 feet
5th & 6th Grade Divisions - 15 feet (regulation)
- BALL SIZE
Recruits (both boys & girls) - women's 28.5 size ball
Rookies (both boys & girls) - women's 28.5 size ball
Veterans (both boys & girls) - women's 28.5 size ball
All Stars (both boys & girls) - women's 28.5 size ball
Hall of Fame Girls - women's 28.5 size ball
Hall of Fame Boys - men's 29.5 size ball
- GAME TIME
Game time is forfeit and must have 5 to start the game.
- **NO JEWELRY!!! NO EXCEPTIONS!!!**

PLAYER POOL & PARTICIPATION RULE

- There will be “NO” Player Pool and “NO” Player Pool Teams. All players that register must already have a team upon registration.
- There “WILL NOT” be a must play or participation rule. Playing time will be determined by the coaches and the hard work the players demonstrate on and off the court.

FORMATION OF TEAMS

- Teams will be formed by the grade that the players are in for the current playing season.
- Teams must have 8 players to make a roster. There is no max.
Players “CANNOT” play for more than one (1) team in the NTPB League
- Teams must be made up of from the schools that the players attend.
Ex: *City View kids must play for a City View team. Teams formed in the Wichita Falls area must be from the schools they attend or 2 schools in close proximity. (Cunningham & Milam)*
- Each team will be allowed to have 2 players from outside of their school area.
Ex: *City View has a roster of 10 players. 8 of the players are from City View and 2 are from Seymour.*
- Verification of School Enrollment will be done by school principals.

DIVISIONS

- **Recruits:** 2nd Grade
- **Rookies:** 3rd Grade
- **Veterans:** 4th Grade
- **All-Stars:** 5th Grade
- **Hall of Fame:** 6th Grade

A total of 10 divisions will be formed. (5 boys divisions & 5 girls divisions)

- Players can play up a division but “CANNOT” play down a division.
- Teams can be a mixture of grades but the teams will be in the higher division of the higher grade.

Ex: Team with (7)seven 5th graders and (3)three 6th graders must play in the Hall of Fame division (6th Grade division)

PROTEST

- Protest will only be allowed for the suspicion of illegal players or score book falsifications.
- Only the Head Coach can submit a protest.
- Protest “WILL NOT” be allowed for officials calls, technical fouls, or ejections.
- Protest fee will be \$150 and will be given back if protest is upheld.

PROTEST PROCEDURE:

- 1) *Must be noted in the score book once the game has been completed.*
- 2) *Notation must be signed by the protesting Head Coach and one game official. Officials will not discuss any details of a protest with the coaches.*

*****If the above is not complete, the protest will be dismissed.*****

- 3) *Protesting Head Coach will have until the Wednesday following the game to submit a protest and payment.*
- 4) *Protest must be emailed to northtexaspremierbasketball@gmail.com and payment must be sent to NTPB PayPal.*

COACHING STAFF

- All teams will be allowed 2 coaches on the roster and the bench during games.
- Coaches can be under the age of 18 but must be accompanied by a Head/Assistant Coach on the bench at all times.
- All coaches must submit and pass a Criminal Background check.
- All coaches must attend a MANDATORY coaches meeting.
(Date & Time TBA)
- Any coach that has ever been on a ban list for any youth organizations or been denied to coach at any youth organization, “WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO COACH!”
- Decisions on coaching eligibility will be determined by the North Texas Premier Basketball staff and possibly hosting schools.
- All coaches are subject to a re-verification process throughout the duration of the season.

TEAMS & SPECTATORS

- Teams will provide one person each to work the score table for their respective games. The home team will keep the official score book and the visiting team will run the clock.
- Teams & spectators will be responsible for assisting in keeping facilities clean while attending games. Games can be subject to forfeit if the facilities and team benches are left in a mess.
- Spectators “MUST” stay clear of the playing courts before, during, and after games.
- Once games are completed, everyone associated with completed games must exit facilities to give room and respect to the next scheduled teams and spectators.

EJECTIONS

- Coaches are responsible for their actions as well as their parents, fans, and players of his/her respective teams. Coaches will be asked to help control and/or diffuse any situations that may arise with anyone associated with their teams before, during, and after scheduled games.
- Anyone who uses profane language or harasses any game officials, score keeping personnel, NTPB staff, host schools staff, coaches, spectators, and players will be subject to a suspension of the next 3 scheduled games.
- If any threat is made to game officials (as stated above) or his/her property, those individuals will be permanently banned from the league for one calendar year.
- Parents and spectators are responsible for their own actions and are encouraged to cheer, encourage, and support their team in a positive manner while maintaining good sportsmanship throughout the season. If unsportsmanlike conduct is displayed, those involved could be subject to the above suspension (3 scheduled games) and/or permanent dismissal from the NTPB league.

EJECTIONS CONTINUED...

- If an ejection occurs, those involved must leave the host school property immediately. Ejections will carry an additional next scheduled 1 game suspension and cannot be present for the contest.
- If a second ejection occurs, that individual will have a 1 year calendar suspension from all NTPB league events.

GENERAL INFORMATION

- Teams that are from host schools will have 4 home games and 4 away games.
- Teams that do not have their school hosting games will play 8 away games but will be listed as home or away for games.
- All games will be played only on Saturdays at the host schools.
- Host schools will provide all workers on games days and it is strictly up to them on how they will handle those individuals. (Volunteers or paid workers)
- Host schools will provide NTPB with their own facility rules and procedures so we can send them out to all teams and those involved. What is allowed at one location, may not be allowed at another.
- Host schools can/will provide all warm up & game balls. If any host schools do not provide either, teams will be responsible for both.
(We suggest that all teams bring their own balls to all games)
- NTPB will provide all score books for all host locations.
- We will be hosting a Scorekeepers meeting for those that will be working tables during their teams games. ***(Date & Time TBA)***
- Scorekeepers for games will be responsible for emailing game results to northtexaspremierbasketball@gmail.com
Email format: **Ex: Submitting Scores**
- Date **- *Date: 12/2/2023***
- Location **- *Location: City View HS***
- Game Time **- *Game Time: 10:00 am***
- Division **- *Division: Veteran Boys***
- Team score vs. Team score **- *City View 35 vs. Seymour 31***

*****Rule Changes Beginning 2025-2026*****

- 7-5-4: This rule change updates the procedure for determining the designated throw-in spot following a stoppage of play (not due to the ball going out of bounds) in the frontcourt and backcourt. Instead of relying on an imaginary line, officials now use existing court markings, specifically the three-point line, to determine the location. This change improves accuracy, consistency, and clarity for officials by using visible floor markings rather than imaginary lines, which were often misjudged.

*****Rule Changes Beginning 2023-2024*****

- Fouls: No more 1 - 1 Free Throws
 - Bonus will always be 2 shots
 - Bonus begins at 5 team fouls
- Team Fouls: Reset Each Quarter
 - Scoreboard will show a max of 5 fouls per quarter

The North Texas Premier Basketball League is dedicated to the youth and families of our communities and will strive to do everything in our power to always do what is best for everyone that is involved.

***“You are not just a number in our league,
You Are Family!”***