



Hot Shot Basketball
Rules and Regulations

A. Age Divisions

1. Kindergarten
2. 1st Grade
3. 2nd Grade

B. Equipment

1. Game ball will be provided by the City of Evans Recreation Department. A minimum of 5 basketballs per team will be provided on game day.
 - Kindergarten 27.5" Spalding Rookie Gear
 - 1st Grade 27.5" Junior
 - 2nd Grade 27.5" Junior
2. No outside basketballs are allowed for league play.
3. Basket height
 - Kindergarten 8 foot
 - 1st Grade 8 ½ foot
 - 2nd Grade 9 foot

C. Playing Rules

1. Number of players - Five members from each team are allowed on the court at one time. A team must have at least two players present for the game to be played. Each team will then play with the same number of players (even if the opposing team has more players on the bench).
2. Playing time
 - **Kindergarten and 1st Grade:** 2, 12-minute halves with a running clock. Coaches will be allowed one, 1-minute time out per half with a 2-minute half-time.
 - **2nd Grade:** 2, 14-minute halves with a running clock. Coaches will be allowed one, 1-minute time out per half with a 2-minute half-time.
 - Play time must be divided evenly between team members. All participants must play a minimum of half of each game.
3. Substitutions - Can be made during any dead ball, players must check in at the score table and wait to be motioned in by the official.
4. Start of play - The game will start at center court with a jump ball.
5. Out of bounds - The ball is out of play when it passes any sideline or end line. The ball will be awarded to the opposing team of the last touch during play.
6. Scoring
 - No free throws will be shot at any time throughout the game.
 - No 3 pointers
 - **Kindergarten and 1st Grade:** Score will NOT be kept.
 - **2nd Grade:** Score will be kept. The scoreboards will be shut off when the score differential is 15 points or greater.
7. Offense

- **Lane Violation:** No lane violations will be called on any offensive player. Players may be in the paint while they have possession of the ball past three-seconds.

8. Defense

- **For all grade divisions:**

- No full-court press allowed
- Man-to-man, no zone defense is allowed
- No double teaming is allowed

- **Kindergarten and 1st Grade:**

- Colored wrist bands will be used for games. Each player on the court will be given a colored wrist band and will only be allowed to play defense on the player of the opposing team with the same-colored wrist band.
- If a transition breakaway occurs, a player may guard another player with a different color wristband, until team begins offensive set.

9. Stealing - Reaching into the offensive player and physically taking the ball from him/her.

- **Kindergarten:** Players will not be allowed to steal the ball from an opposing player at any time.
- **1st Grade:** Players may steal the ball from an opposing player only when the ball is being passed.
- **2nd Grade:** Players are allowed to steal the ball from opposing players at any time.

10. Fouls

- Will be called on players that push, kick, trip, or exhibit any other unsportsmanlike behavior and/or profane language. Individual fouls will not be kept on record but players will be warned of rough play. The ball is awarded to the opposite team and will be thrown in from sideline.
- Unsportsmanlike behavior or profane language displayed by any spectator or coach will not be tolerated and they will be removed from the complex. If a child displays excessive unsportsmanlike behavior or continuous fouls, they will be asked to sit out for part of the game.

11. Traveling - A violation in which a player holding the ball illegally moves one or both of their feet. A player travels by illegally moving their pivot foot or taking too many steps without dribbling the ball.

- **Kindergarten:** Traveling will not be called. The referee will encourage the players to dribble the ball.
- **1st Grade:** Traveling will be called when a player takes more than FIVE consecutive steps without dribbling the ball.
- **2nd Grade:** Traveling will be called when a player takes more than THREE consecutive steps without dribbling the ball.

12. Double Dribble - A violation in which a player dribbles the ball, clearly holds it with a combination of either one or two hands and then proceeds to dribble again without first either attempting a shot or passing to a teammate.

- **Kindergarten:** Double dribble will not be called. The referee will encourage the players to pass the ball once they pick it up.
- **1st Grade:** If the player is consistently double dribbling the referee will call it and the ball will be awarded to the other team.

- **2nd Grade:** A warning will be issued by the referee to the team on the first instance of double dribble. After that, double dribble will be called, and the ball will be awarded to the other team.

13. Coaches

- Coaches must stay in the coach's box and will not be allowed on the court at any time unless there is an injury.
- Max of 3 coaches per team.
- Coaches shall respect the referee at all times; the referees are in charge of the games.
- If a problem arises, the referee will ask the coach to remain seated and restricted to the bench. If problems continue, the game will be stopped, and the coach will be removed from the facility before play will resume.

D. Game Schedules

1. Game schedules for the Kindergarten and 1st Grade levels will be made for the entire season.
2. If total number of teams is 12 or greater in the 2nd Grade level, game schedules will be made for the first 3 weeks of the season. Schedules for the remainder of the season will be generated based on evaluation by Recreation Department staff.

E. Uniforms

1. Each participant is required to wear the youth sports jersey from the agency they are participating with.
2. Non-marking tennis shoes are required.