

# COMPETITION RULES

PLAYBALL COORDINATOR HAS FINAL ADUDICATION ON THE INTERPRETATION OF RULES

## **SUMMARY VERSION**

### Timing Regulations

- **Game Times:** Two x 18 minute halves. (17 minute halves Tues at APC or where specified on Fixture)
- **Halftime:** 2 minute - Timed on match clock.
- **Time Outs:** 1 time out per half per team of one minute duration. No time outs allowed in last 3 minutes of the game. Clock does not stop for timeouts
- **Clock Stops:** in the last one minute of the game (for games within 6 points only) for **All Referee Whistles**. It is the responsibility of the score-keepers to implement. Rule does not apply to Year 1 competitions, i.e. The clock is not stopped.

### Competition Regulations

- **Free Throw line** is advanced by 1 metre for Year 1&2 Divisions. For Year 3 and over the regular Free Throw Line is used.
- **Ring Height:** For Year 1's (1&2 GESAC) where possible will be lowered to 8.5ft or the default lower setting.
- **3-Point Shot** allowed and counted for **Years 5&6** only.
- **No-Zone-Rule** applies to all Playball Competitions from Term 2, 2107.
- **Mercy Rule:** Teams leading by 10 points or more (Year 1-4) must fall back within the three point circle on defence until the ball passes the half court. For Year 5/6 teams, a lead of 15 points is allowed. (This rule does not apply for finals.)
- **Maximum Individual Points:** Ten points maximum per player per half **Years 1-4**. Twelve points max per half for **Years 5&6** If on 9 or 11 points, a 2 or 3 point shot counts. It is the scorers responsibility to advise players who are at their maximum allowed points. Excess points will be deducted from the score sheet at the game's conclusion.
- **Correct Uniforms & shoes** to be worn. No shorts with pockets, no pants, jewelry. Penalty: 2-point penalty per infringement.

### Referees

- **Foul Calls:** Referees will call all fouls always for children's safety. Violations may be called more leniently for Year 1 & 2 teams whilst children are still learning the game basics. From Years 3 onwards, as competition becomes more skillful, referees will enforce violations more strictly. On all calls made for Years 1 & 2 teams, referees will explain their decisions.
- **Disputes** – seek out the Stadium Co-ordinator during the game not after. Single court Stadium – Coaches speak to Referee.