

# **FBA 9 - 15 GIRLS BASKETBALL RULES**

## **Our Primary Goal - Have Fun!!!**

### **THE GAME - FBA GOES BY SC HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL RULES EXCEPT FOR THE FOLLOWING REVISIONS:**

- 1) A total of one hour is slotted for each game. Teams play five on a side with basic Basketball rules.
- 2) FOR 9/11G LEAGUE, we play 2 - 16 minute periods using a running clock for the first 14 minutes of each period. The only time during these 14 minutes that the clock will stop will be during a called time-out or an official's time-out. During the last 2 minutes of each period, the clock will stop for any dead ball situation. A dead ball situation will be deemed to occur when the officials' whistle blows.
- 3) FOR THE 12/15G LEAGUE, we play 4 - 8 minute quarters using a running clock for all periods except the last 2 minutes of the 2nd quarter and the last 2 minutes of the 4th quarter. During the last 2 minutes of these quarters, the clock will stop for any dead ball situation. A dead ball situation occurs when the officials' whistle blows.
- 4) No player should play more than 3/4 of the game and no less than 1/2 of the game unless personnel needs overrule. Coaches will be required to keep track of playing times for the players. EQUAL PLAYING TIME IS THE GOAL.....
- 5) Overtime periods, if necessary, will be 2 minutes in length with the clock stopping on all dead balls.
- 6) A 3 seconds in the lane violation will be called in both girls age groups.
- 7) FOR THE 9-11 GIRLS NO FULL COURT PRESS IS ALLOWED.
- 8) For the 9-11 Girls, during the last 60 seconds of each half and only on dead ball situations, the coach of the trailing team can request the ball be inbound at half court. Time outs can be called to get into a dead ball situation. The trailing team can request this for their positions as well as those of the opposing teams. This rule allows the ball to be moved toward the basket in a lesser time. This is not for the referee to enforce; the trailing team coach must request it. THE CLOCK WILL NOT BEGIN RUNNING UNTIL THE PLAYER CROSSES HALF COURT. This prevents any team from "killing time" in the back-court. The referee, however, will begin his/her 10 second hand count as soon as the ball is put into play. The offensive team has the normal 10 seconds to get the ball across half court. Again, the time clock will not begin to run until the player with the ball crosses half court even though the referee has started his/her 10 second count.
- 9) FOR THE 12/15 GIRLS, a full court press can occur in the last 2 minutes of the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> quarters.
- 10) Four (4) time outs per game will be granted to each team. Unused time outs from the second period may be carried over into overtimes. One additional time out is granted to each team for each over-time period.
- 11) An end of the season playoff will be scheduled by the league for both 9-11 and 12-15 Girls leagues.

### **THE EQUIPMENT:**

- 1) The 9-11 and 12-15 girls both use the 28.5 mm ball. Goal height is 9 foot for the 9-11 group and 10 foot for 12-15.
- 2) All players should have basketball sneakers and be wearing the team shirt tucked in during game play.
- 3) Free throw line used for 9-11 olds is 14 feet. Regulation 15 feet free throw line is used for the 12-15 age group.
- 4) Coaches are responsible to get there early to adjust the height of the baskets if required.
- 5) The FBA game ball in use will be given to the score keepers after the game.
- 6) If a FBA game ball is not available, the game can be played with an appropriate size ball supplied by either team as long as both coaches agree on the ball being used.
- 7) Please start the game on time as much as possible. At least 4 players must be present at least 5 minutes after the game is to start or the game will be forfeited by the undermanned team. A team may play an entire game with 4 players against the other teams 5.
- 8) Parents cannot talk to the Referees before, during or after the game. A technical foul can be called or whatever referee deems appropriate.
- 9) Coaches, parents, players and fans are not permitted to approach the score table for any reason whatsoever. Coaches may ask the scorekeeper from his/her bench about fouls and time-outs, but cannot question or challenge the timekeeper on any issue. The coach must take issue up with the lead referee.

### **ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUES:**

- 1) Parents are encouraged to buy the right size ball for their child and to bring the ball to all practices.
- 2) Players and coaches will shake hands after each game. Good sportsmanship is always emphasized.
- 3) Players should not bring balls on game day. Coaches are responsible to bring a ball for warm up on game day.
- 4) Practice times will be assigned for the whole year. FBA expects each practice slot to be used as scheduled. The age group VP should be notified if there are any problems, conflicts, or cancellations.
- 5) Practices are scheduled at H.E. Corley (or at FGP or other participating district school gyms). Please relinquish the court at the required time. If your practice is the last one for the day please store away all equipment and prepare to leave on time as well.
- 6) Lost & found is maintained by the park or school staff and will be used for all articles left after practices and games.
- 7) PLEASE DO NOT BRING FOOD OR DRINK INTO THE GYM at FGP or any other participating school gym.
- 8) It is everyone's responsibility to make sure the gyms are kept clean and safe. Please ensure the facility is in order before you leave. No one is allowed to roam elsewhere in the building in the case of using district school gyms.
- 9) No one is allowed to slam dunk or hang on any of the baskets at any of the FBA gym facilities.
- 10) All small children must be supervised while in the gym. The gym time is allocated to teams for games and practices. Anyone other than players or coaches is not allowed on the gym floor during practices. No shooting by spectators will be allowed at other baskets not in use (center or side) during team practice times. Practicing teams own the entire half court and no one else should be running around in the gym.

Remember - Friarsgate Basketball Association is run by volunteers from the community. We only lease facilities from Richland County. You can help support the FBA each year by becoming a volunteer, coach and/or a sponsor. Call the Friarsgate Hotline at 760-2089 for additional information on how you can participate. Thanks!