

Adult Basketball League Rules And Regulations

LEAGUE STRUCTURE:

Dependent upon number of teams that sign up.

B League: Competitive and good skill level (High School or College experience).

C League: Moderately competitive and average skill level (some High School experience).

D League: Recreational skill level.

- **GAME AND FORFEITURE TIME:**

A team must have four registered players for the game to begin. Game time is forfeit time. **New Rule: Upon agreement from both managers, a team who has eligible players available within five minutes of game start time may play the game so long as time is removed from the first half clock to reflect the late start of the game.** (For example, a team has an eligible number of players arrive on court four minutes after scheduled start time. The first half clock is set at 16 minutes and the game starts.) Teams must have their line-ups into the scorekeeper five minutes before the game starts. The gym supervisor and/or scorekeepers watch is the official time in establishing a forfeit. Forfeits count as a loss and a half in the standings.

1st Forfeit - \$20 fee payable to the City of Paso Robles before your next scheduled game.

2nd Forfeit - \$40 fee payable to the City of Paso Robles before your next scheduled game.

3rd Forfeit - Dropped from the Recreation league with **NO REFUND.**

Forfeit fee will be waived if team manager contacts Recreation office by noon of game day.

- **ROSTER ELIGIBILITY:**

Players must be 16 years of age to participate in this city league. A roster (maximum of 12 players and minimum of eight) will be due when the league fee is paid. Lower division teams may not have more than three upper division players on the roster. All managers and gym supervisors may challenge the eligibility of any players. Protests on eligibility must be made by the team manager prior to the end of the game (see #7 under Protests).

Players must reside within the San Luis Obispo County with the exception of the northern boundary, which extends to San Ardo. Players whose names do not appear on the official roster are considered illegal players. Use of illegal players may result in forfeiture. Addition of any players must be done at the Department of Library and Recreation Services registration office during regular working hours of 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Any teams playing ineligible players will forfeit those games. Further violations of this rule will result in that team being

immediately dropped from the league and suspended from further competition. To be eligible to play in the playoffs team members must have participated in at least two regular season games.

- **ROSTER ADDITIONS:**

Players may be added or deleted to a roster through the third game. The adds are free, with a maximum of four additions. At that time, all rosters are frozen and no player movement will be allowed unless approved by the league director for a \$24 fee.

- **UNIFORMS:**

All teams must have matching shirts of the same color with numbers on either the front or back. No more than two digits per shirt and NO DUPLICATE NUMBERS. In the event two teams have the same color of jerseys, a coin toss will decide which team will wear pennies furnished by the Department of Library and Recreation Services. Failure to comply with this regulation will result in game forfeiture.

- **PLAYING TIME:**

Games will consist of two halves. Each half will be 20 minutes of running time. The clock will be stopped on all whistles, the last two minutes of each half, unless one team is ahead by more than 14 points. Game clock will be stopped for time outs, injuries and at the discretion of the officials.

- **TIME OUTS & HALF TIME:**

Each time will be allowed (2) one-minute time out per half. Time outs will not run over from one half to the next half time. Half time consists of five minutes.

- **TIE GAME:**

In case of a tie game, there will be a three-minute over time starting with a jump ball. If another over time is needed, the same rule will apply. The clock will be stopped the last minute of the over time.

- **FOUL SHOTS:**

Fouls will be shot following the seventh team foul of each half. Each player will be allowed six fouls before fouling out on the sixth foul.

- **RULE BOOK:**

The 2002-2003 High School Rules (National Federation Edition) will be used for all situations not covered in this handbook.

- **PROTESTS:**

Protests will be taken care of at the time they happen. The officials will, after all play is stopped, attempt to solve the situation. Only rule interpretation will be justifiable for a protest and not an official's decision. In case the protest is not decided at this time, the team making the protest shall submit a check for \$20.00, made payable to the City of Paso Robles and delivered to the Department of Library and Recreation Services of the next work day immediately following the game, to Centennial Park, 600 Nickerson Drive, Paso Robles, any time between office hours of 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. This includes eligibility protests as well. Highly technical protests **WILL NOT** be considered.

- **TECHNICAL FOULS:**

Any team receiving three unsportsmanlike technical fouls in any game will result in forfeiture of that game.

Any player or coach who receives two unsportsmanlike technical fouls will be ejected from the game. A player receiving a single technical foul for unsportsman like conduct must sit out five minutes before re-entering the game. Any player ejected for unsportsmanlike conduct or for receiving two unsportsmanlike technical fouls must sit out a game.

Any player who deliberately holds onto the rim or dunks the ball will receive a technical foul. This rule is in effect **BEFORE, DURING** and **AFTER** the game.

Good sportsmanship should be stressed at all times. Profanity will not be tolerated and the guilty party (ies) will be banned for the remainder of the game.

In the event of any rule questions, the Sports Coordinator, Chad Dawson, shall have the authority to institute new rules or to change old rules, to maintain a continuity of the overall sports program. His interpretation of the rules shall be final.

- **SCMAF:**

The City of Paso Robles, Department of Library and Recreation Services does not carry insurance on its sports leagues. Through the Southern California Municipal Athletic Federation (**SCMAF**), the Department does offer an accident protection plan. The purpose of SCMAF insurance is to provide financial assistance up to \$25,000 of uncovered medical expenses to players on registered teams who are injured during the course of league play. To become eligible, the team manager must register their team before the first game of the season. The cost is only \$70 per team. For more information, contact Chad Dawson, Recreation Coordinator, at the Department of Library and Recreation Services at Centennial Park, 600 Nickerson Drive in Paso Robles or by calling 237-3990. If you have uninsured players, this insurance is highly advisable.

NO SMOKING OR DRINKING of alcoholic or any other beverage in the gym or on Centennial Park grounds is allowed. Food is not allowed in the gym as well. Locker rooms are available in Norris Gymnasium at Centennial Park next to the restrooms.

Team managers will be responsible for the overall conduct of their team and fans and will see that all players are familiar with all rules and regulations for the Department of Library and

Recreation Services, Adult Basketball League. The privilege of entering the league next season will be based on the conduct of you, your team and fans.

- **EJECTED and/or SUSPENDED PLAYER:**

Depending upon the violation of the Code of Conduct, a player may be suspended for one game, two games, or longer. The Recreation Coordinator and/or Sports Supervisor will determine the suspension time. The coach will be notified in writing of the grounds for suspension and suspension time. A suspended player who plays a game(s) during his time of suspension, shall cause his team to forfeit those games. Any player who is ejected for the second time in a season will be ineligible to participate for the remainder of the season.

In addition, any player who is suspended for the remainder of the season, or the year, **MAY BECOME INELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE** in any other local City league games within San Luis Obispo County. This will be determined by the Sports Coordinator with the cooperation and agreement of other local City Recreation Departments, i.e. Atascadero.

- **LEAGUE CHAMPS:**

The best overall record will determine league champions. In the event of a tie, the following procedures will be used, in order.

- 1) Head-to-head competition (results from league play).
- 2) Head-to-head point differential.

- **AWARDS:**

Team awards will go to the top two finishers in league play. The championship team will also receive individual awards. Team awards will also go to the playoff champions.

- **GAME SITE:**

All games will be played at Centennial Park, 600 Nickerson Drive, Paso Robles in the Norris Gymnasium.

- **LEAGUE DIRECTOR:**

The Adult Sports Coordinator for the Department of Library and Recreation Services, Recreation Division is Charlotte Gorton. If you have questions or would like to discuss a basketball matter with him, you can call him at 237-3988, Monday through Friday after 11AM.