



Rules of Primary Schools Competitions

1. Games will consist of two 14 minute halves, with 1 minute for half time. Teams must be Ready to start playing as soon as the previous game has finished. The clock does not stop.
2. **Ball size:** Yr 4,5&6 use a size 5 ball, Yr 7&8 use a size 6 ball.
3. Teams are to provide **scorers** for their own game.
4. **The team bench is ONLY for players and coach** (for the safety of refs and to allow scorebench to be able to see all goals and refs calls)
Please teach players to sit on the Team bench (they are not to approach the score bench).
Players must stay seated on the team bench and the COACH needs to request a sub from the referee (ensure your players know who they are replacing BEFORE you ask for a sub) .
Please ensure other parents and supporters MUST be at the base line of the courts unless they are doing scorebench.
5. No jewellery or watches are to be worn. Long hair is to be tied back and nails should be short.
6. If players do not have numbered tops, it is their responsibility to give their name to the scorer should they be called for a foul.
7. **Number of fouls** Maximum of 4 per player. No team fouls.
Fouls will be called at all times when a player who is fouled is disadvantaged.
8. **Substitutions** Players can be substituted on any whistle (but not after a basket unless the referee has the ball). Please inform the referee.
9. **Free Throws** Generally, 2 or 3 shots for shooting fouls
* taken from free throw line for Yr 7&8 and Y5/6 A Grade
* from dotted circle for Y5/6 B & C grade.
This rule may be modified in lower grades or in shortened games- see floor control.
10. **Discretionary Calls** The following rules will be applied with discretion by the ref: 3 seconds, back over half, 5 seconds, travel, double dribble.
11. **Time Outs** One (30 sec) time out per team per half. No timeouts or substitutions (unless for injury) to be taken in the last 3 minutes of the game.
12. **Defensive retreat rule** shall apply to all grades except 'A' Grade Friday. See sheet.
13. Players must seek dispensation if they wish to play for more than one team in the competition. As a general rule, players may play with one team only. Any player (without dispensation) who regularly plays in a higher grade will forfeit the right to play in the lower grade for the remainder of the season.