

OFFICIAL MASTERS 40 & OVER BASKETBALL LEAGUE RULES

I. TEAMS AND PLAYERS

- A. Players must be at least 40 years old. Age is determined as of November 1st of the current season. If a player's age is questioned, he will be required to show proof of age to the League Director.
- B. Four (4) players per team play at one time.
- C. A team must have four (3) players to start and three (2) players to continue.
- D. A player can play on one team in the Master's League and one team in the City League. Games will not be held up to wait for players coming from the other league unless proper notice is given.
- E. A non-resident team consists of two (2) or more players residing outside the Adrian City Limits or Adrian School District.
- F. Each team is responsible for the conduct of its individual members. If player restraint is necessary (or appears to be), teammates are expected to be the first to do so. Failure would subject team to league suspension.
- G. Additions to a team's roster may be made before the game at the gym.
- J. If a team drops or is dropped from the league, there will be no refund of any portion of the entry fee.

II. THE GAME

- A. Game time is forfeit time. At least four (3) players must be present for the game to begin.
- B. The team listed first on the schedule has first possession. The other team will receive the ball on the first jump ball situation. Therefore, teams alternate possession on jump balls (from mid-court).
- C. The game will be played on a cross court.
- D. A game will consist of the first team to reach 45 points. A team must, however, win by two (2) points.
- E. If after one hour of play a team leads by ten (10) or more points, the game is over.
- F. A basket counts as one (1) point, except from behind the 3-point line, which counts as two (2) points.
- G. Teams switch baskets after first team reaches 25 points. A two-minute non-charged time-out will also be taken at that time.
- H. Each team has two (2) one-minute time-outs per game. (May be taken while in possession or during dead ball.)
- I. Substitutions may be made at any time when the ball is not in play.
- J. The ball must be put into play by a pass following all dead ball situations (defense "checks" except after made basket):

1. Ball out-of-bounds: From out-of-bounds spot
 2. Foul: From behind top of 3-point line
 3. Made basket: Anywhere behind end line
- K. There will be no officials. Each player must play on his honor and call his own fouls (offended player may also call the foul). Players who commit flagrant fouls will be subject to league suspension. **For shooting fouls, only the shooter may call a foul that was made against him. The defensive player may not call himself for fouling the shooter.**
- L. On obvious intentional fouls, offended team will be awarded the basket and re-possession of the ball. (Judged by scorekeeper)

III. MISCELLANEOUS

- A. Building will be cleared as soon as possible after the last game.
- B. It is recommended that each player should have a physical exam before league play.
- C. Forfeit fee of **\$25.00** MUST be paid before the following week's game. If it is not paid, that game will be a forfeit as well.
- D. If a team gives advance notice to the Recreation Office by calling during regular office hours that they cannot make their game, a **\$10.00** fine per game will be assessed. This must be paid prior to the team's next regularly scheduled game.
- E. If a team has not received rescheduling information within five (5) days after a postponed game, it is the team's responsibility to contact the league office.