



GRAND ISLAND RECREATION
2019-2020
ADULT BASKETBALL BYLAWS

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1. It is the responsibility of each player to have health and accident insurance coverage prior to playing in any Town of Grand Island Recreation Department program. Injuries incurred during play are the responsibility of that individual.
2. Team members must be 18 years old and out of High School to participate in Grand Island Leagues.
3. Rosters - Limited to 20 players
Rosters must be completed prior to the teams' first game via online registration.
Roster changes can be made up to the 5th game. After the 5th game of the season your team roster is frozen. Each player is required to create an online registration and acknowledge the disclosure forms. If a player does not have internet access, they may call the Recreation Office for assistance.
All players who play in a game must be on the team roster, otherwise games will be forfeited.
Coaches will have access to view their team roster at any time throughout the season.
4. Once a player(s) competes in a league game, he/she is considered a member of that team. If a player for some reason wishes to change teams, he/she must notify the Recreation Department via email in order to be transferred to the new team roster. Players cannot change teams after the 5th game of the season.
5. Eligibility for playoffs: players must play in at least one game during the regular season. It is the team's responsibility to provide proof. The scorebook provided by the Recreation Department with the players name and game information is sufficient proof. Special concerns prior to playoffs will be reviewed by the Recreation Department.
6. Minors are not permitted in the schools for Recreational Activities. Penalty: Player is not eligible to play in that game. Games will be suspended or risk forfeit if situation is not corrected.
7. Entrance and Exit for all programs will be through the High School Front Doors. Photo ID maybe required for security personnel.
8. League structure will be based on registrations, prior year standings and the available gym space.
9. Playoff format will be determined prior to league start and will be based on league structure and final discretion of the Recreation Department.
10. Official fee \$40 / team / game prior to game start. Forfeit fee will used towards payment for playoff game(s). If team does not play in the playoffs, the full forfeit fee is refundable or can be used as account credit for future programs.

Game Rules

- ◆ NFHS Basketball Rules Go to www.nfhs.org for current information. Town of Grand Island and the Recreation Department Bylaws take precedence over all other rules.
- ◆ A game will consist of four 10-minute quarters. The first and third quarters will have a 10-minute straight running clock. The last 5 minutes of the second and fourth quarters will be stopped on all whistles. There will be 1 minute between quarters; 5 minutes at the half. Five team time-outs will be allowed per game with one additional time-out for overtime periods. Overtime: A 3-minute clock, stopped on all whistles.
- ◆ NO Grace time for game starting times. Referee time is the official time. Players may arrive up to 30 minutes prior to game time. Upon completion of last scheduled game all players must exit building immediately. Players are not permitted in the facility without Recreation Staff supervision.
- ◆ All players are required to wear matching color jerseys with a number on back. Players not so attired will be ineligible to play in that game. Team designate colors are mandatory, but no official uniform is required.
- ◆ Players are not permitted to dunk the ball during warm-ups or game time. Penalty: Player is not eligible to play in that game.
- ◆ Basketball games may be played with 4 players; 5th may enter at earliest convenience.
- ◆ A player cannot substitute for another team.

Team Forfeit: If a team forfeits with less than 24 hours notice to the Recreation Department it will result in the forfeit fee being collected. In order to play the next game, an additional \$80 forfeit fee deposit must be paid directly to the Recreation Department within 3 business days. Payments can be made via credit card online by the coach or by calling during regular office hours 8 – 4 pm. Teams may also pay by cash or check in person at the Recreation Office. Any forfeit fee that is collected and not used will be refunded at the end of the season. If a team forfeits more than twice throughout the season, they may be removed from the League. Final decisions regarding team removal from league will be made by the Recreation Supervisor.

Cancellations

When schools are closed for scheduled holidays, weather or emergency conditions, the Recreation Department's activities are canceled for that date. Due to limited times and space in school gyms, teams requesting postponements will not be granted – game will be a forfeit.

PLAYER CONDUCT PENALTIES

1. Ejection from a game for disputes over calls with no physical violence or verbal threats including foul language to officials, players or recreation employee(s).
 - 1st Offense: 1 game/match suspension
 - 2nd Offense: 2 game/match suspension
 - 3rd Offense: 5 game/match suspensions (may continue into following program)

2. Verbally threatening or confronting an official, player, spectator or recreation staff in any form that may be considered challenging prior, during or after any competition.
 - 1st Offense: 3 game/match suspension
 - 2nd Offense: 5 game/match suspension
 - 3rd Offense: Indefinite

3. Physically touching or fighting with an official, player, spectator or recreation staff.
 - 1st Offense: 5 game/match suspension
 - 2nd Offense: Indefinite

*Suspensions may carry over from season to season.

*Suspended players may not play for any other team during their suspension period.

*Players may request a hearing by contacting the Recreation Department within 24 hours of the incident.

Statements by officials, players involved and recreation staff may be taken. All suspension decisions will be rendered by the Recreation Department.

Playoff Seeding

The number of teams making the playoffs will be stated on schedule prior to league start.

Ties will be decided in the following order:

1. Head to head record between the tied teams
2. Points against/for between the tied teams
3. Points against/for in league play
4. Single game playoff (time permitting)
5. Coin flip if there is not time for a single game playoff

Jewelry

Jewelry of any kind is **not** permitted and cannot be worn during warm-ups and game time. This includes wedding rings and religious medals. Until removed, a player will not be eligible to play. Items must be removed not taped.

Teams are invited to make any comments, suggestions or complaints on the score sheets or call the Recreation Office 773-9680 or email: recreation@grand-island.ny.us