



## RULES OF PLAY

The official Tournament rules of play are as follows:

**PLAYING TIME:** Game times are two (2) 14-minute halves with stop clock for dead balls and free throws.

**OVER TIME:** The first two overtime periods will be 2-minutes STOP TIME. The third overtime will be 1 minute STOP TIME. After the third overtime period there will be a sudden death. One additional timeout allowed for each overtime period. Timeouts are not cumulative.

**QUALIFICATION:** (Age first/Grade second). Grade based on 2020-2021 Academic Year. A player may qualify by age or grade. Open divisions will be grade-based rules rather than age-based rules. Players only must be in the correct grade level for their respective division.

**BOYS ONLY:** Varsity, JV, Frosh/Sophomore, 14U/8<sup>th</sup>, 13U/7<sup>th</sup>, 12U/6<sup>th</sup>, 11U/5<sup>th</sup>, 10U/4<sup>th</sup>, 9U/3<sup>rd</sup>, 8U/2<sup>nd</sup>, etc. Age based as of 9/1/2021 - Maximum two (2) Grade Exceptions Allowed.

**GIRLS:** Grade Based, 2 Exceptions Allowed.

High School students **ARE NOT** eligible for 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Divisions and below.

**MERCY RULE:** Game clock becomes running time when the point spread is 16 points or more (**SECOND HALF ONLY**). When the point spread is below 16 points, the clock will revert to stop time.

### **TIE BREAKER:**

- 1) Final standings in each pool/round robin will be determined by the win/loss record.
- 2) Two-way ties are determined by head to head.
- 3) In case of a three-way tie, the team with the most points +/- 15 points is declared the top team. The team with the next most points is declared second, and the team with the third most points is declared third.
- 4) Point totals from all games between tied teams will be counted.
- 5) If a three-way tie remains after the tie breaker, the "least points scored against" will be used. Next will be offense (most points scored), then coin toss.

### **IMPORTANT RULES:**

- 1) When shooting free throws, all players positioned along the key, with the exception of the shooter, may enter the lane upon the release of the shot.
- 2) **One and One Bonus on the 7th foul and Double Bonus on 10th foul.**
- 3) Three **(3) time outs per game; (30) seconds each.**
- 4) CIF rules and ten (10) second backcourt violation rule is in effect.
- 5) Only **three (3) coaches** per team can sit on or stand near the bench. The head coach is the only certified person that can approach the score table with questions. All other coaches must remain on the bench. Only one (1) person can be standing at all times.
- 6) If a team fails to appear with at least five (5) eligible players and/or their head coach at game time, a grace period of ten (10) minutes will be given. After ten (10) minutes, a forfeit **MAY** be declared by the Site/Tournament Director. Fifteen to zero **(15-0)** shall be the recorded score.
- 7) **Scoreboard score is final (not the book).**

### **CERTIFICATION:**

All teams must be certified thirty minutes prior to their first game at the designated team check-in. All players must be on the roster at the team certification before their first game. Any player not listed on the team roster

will not be eligible to play in the playoff/bracket round. If a player misses the first day of the event, he or she may still play the next day if they are listed on the certified roster sheet. If no paperwork is presented, they must provide by their first game the following day. If challenged, the team will immediately forfeit all games played.

**PLAYING ON TWO [2] TEAMS:**

**1) Players cannot play for two separate Programs (i.e. an AVAC player cannot play on a San Pedro Knights team).**

**2) Players cannot play on two separate teams in the same age/grade division.**

**CONDUCT/EJECTIONS: The Head Coach is responsible for the conduct of his/her spectators and athletes. If there is an ejection, the Head Coach will be asked to remove the ejected person from the facility.** The Head Coach will be responsible for any damages incurred to the facilities or property used by the athletes.

If a Team Coach, Assistant Coach, Athlete, or spectator/parent is ejected from a game, he/she may be suspended for **ONE FULL GAME** (the following game) and will not be allowed in the gym during suspended time or on the property. It is also the responsibility of the Coach, Assistant Coach, or Team/Parent Representative to insure the ejected adult or athlete does not enter the property of the facility. AVAC Tournament staff reserves the right to remove any coach, player, or fan from the facility for inappropriate behavior. Teams may also be removed from the tournament with no refunds.

**SCORESHEETS:** Score sheets must be checked for complete information (including numbers) by parent representatives or coaches 30 minutes before the start of each game.

**OFFICIAL BALLS:** The **HOME TEAM** shall provide the game ball. If both teams cannot agree on a game ball, an alternate ball as chosen by tournament/gym supervisors will be used.

Boys divisions 6th Grade and above will play with a 29.5" basketball.

Boys divisions 5th Grade and lower will play with a 28.5" basketball.

All girls divisions will play with a 28.5" basketball.

**PROTESTS:** All protests regarding player eligibility must be made **BEFORE** the end of the game to the official, scorekeeper, or Site/Tournament Director by the **Head Coach** only (or assistant coach if the head coach has been ejected) and noted on the score sheet. Protests pertaining to scorekeepers and/or an official's judgement call will not be considered. Protests in which a potential rule infraction has occurred **MAY** be considered only if the infraction has a direct impact on the outcome of the game and falls within the guidelines of correctable errors. Protests of an entire team are not allowed. The Site/Tournament Director's decision(s) will be final. All Boys teams must bring birth certificates and report cards and all Girls teams must bring report cards for verification upon request.

**HOME & VISITOR:** The **HOME** team and shall wear white or light-colored uniforms and the **VISITING** team and shall wear dark uniforms. The Home team shall sit to the left of the score table and take the opposite basket for pre-game warm-up and first-half play. The visiting team is the second team listed on the schedule (right side).

**TEAM WAIVER FORMS:** All players and coaches must be listed on the team waiver form and parents must sign the form before participation. It is the responsibility of the Coach and Team Representative to insure that all participants are officially registered and verify that the athletes, parents, coaches, spectators, and volunteers are completely aware and have been advised that they will waive all claims against AVAC United, together with its affiliated clubs, its respective administrators, directors, agents, coaches, and other employees or volunteers of the organization; event officials; medical personnel; other participants, their parents, guardian(s), supervisors and coaches; sponsoring agencies; sponsors; advertisers; and, if applicable, owners, lessors, and lessees of premises.



## **2020 AAU BOYS' BASKETBALL ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

### **AGE BASED COMPETITION RULES**

**7 & Under** - An athlete can be no older than 7 on or before August 31, 2021. (Born on or after September 1, 2013)

**8 & Under** - An athlete can be no older than 8 on or before August 31, 2021. (Born on or after September 1, 2012)

**9 & Under** - An athlete can be no older than 9 on or before August 31, 2021. (Born on or after September 1, 2011)

**10 & Under** - An athlete can be no older than 10 on or before August 31, 2021. (Born on or after September 1, 2010)

**11 & Under** - An athlete can be no older than 11 on or before August 31, 2021. (Born on or after September 1, 2009)

**12 & Under** - An athlete can be no older than 12 on or before August 31, 2021. (Born on or after September 1, 2008)

**13 & Under** - An athlete can be no older than 13 on or before August 31, 2021. (Born on or after September 1, 2007)

**14 & Under** - An athlete can be no older than 14 on or before August 31, 2021. (Born on or after September 1, 2006)

### **GRADE BASED COMPETITION RULES**

#### **2nd Grade**

An athlete must be in the 2nd grade or below as of October 1, 2020 and can be no older than 9 on or before August 31, 2021.

#### **3rd Grade**

An athlete must be in the 3rd grade or below as of October 1, 2020 and can be no older than 10 on or before August 31, 2021.

#### **4th Grade**

An athlete must be in the 4th grade or below as of October 1, 2020 and can be no older than 11 on or before August 31, 2021.

#### **5th Grade**

An athlete must be in the 5th grade or below as of October 1, 2020 and can be no older than 12 on or before August 31, 2021.

#### **6th Grade**

An athlete must be in the 6th grade or below as of October 1, 2020 and can be no older than 13 on or before August 31, 2021.

#### **7th Grade**

An athlete must be in the 7th grade or below as of October 1, 2020 and can be no older than 14 on or before August 31, 2021.

#### **8th Grade**

An athlete must be in the 8th grade or below as of October 1, 2020 and can be no older than 15 on or before August 31, 2021.

## HIGH SCHOOL COMPETITION RULES

### **15U/9TH GRADE**

An athlete can be no older than 15 on or before August 31, 2021.

Grade Policy: An athlete who is in the 9th Grade as of October 1, 2020 and who is no older than 16 on or before August 31, 2021 is eligible to compete in the 15U/9th Grade division.

### **16U/10TH GRADE**

An athlete can be no older than 16 on or before August 31, 2021.

Grade Policy: An athlete who is in the 10th Grade as of October 1, 2020 and who is no older than 17 on or before August 31, 2021 is eligible to compete in the 16U/10th Grade division.

### **17U/11TH GRADE**

An athlete can be no older than 17 on or before August 31, 2021.

Grade Policy: An athlete who is in the 11th Grade as of October 1, 2020 and who is no older than 18 on or before August 31, 2021 is eligible to compete in the 17U/11th Grade division.

### **20 & UNDER**

An athlete can be no older than 20 on or before August 31, 2021. (Tournament Hosts, at its discretion, can create separate high school, prep schools, junior college divisions or any combination thereof.)



## 2021 ELIGIBILITY

## RULES FOR AAU

# GIRLS' BASKETBALL

Each grade division consists of a 24-month age window which determines an athletes' participation in that division. If an athletes' age is outside the 24-month window for their grade, the athlete must play up to the grade division that is normal and customary for their age. If an athlete is in any grade above what is normal and customary for their age, an athlete may play down provided they meet the established criteria listed in the chart below.

### 2ND GRADE DIVISION

An athlete must be in the 2nd grade as of October 1, 2020 and can be no older than 9 on or before August 31, 2021. For an athlete that is in the 3rd grade as of October 1, 2020 wanting to play down, they can be no older than 8 on or before August 31, 2021.

### 3RD GRADE DIVISION

An athlete must be in the 3rd grade as of October 1, 2020 and can be no older than 10 on or before August 31, 2021. For an athlete that is in the 4th grade as of October 1, 2020 wanting to play down, they can be no older than 9 on or before August 31, 2021.

### 4TH GRADE DIVISION

An athlete must be in the 4th grade as of October 1, 2020 and can be no older than 11 on or before August 31, 2021. For an athlete that is in the 5th grade as of October 1, 2020 wanting to play down, they can be no older than 10 on or before August 31, 2021.

### 5TH GRADE DIVISION

An athlete must be in the 5th grade as of October 1, 2020 and can be no older than 12 on or before August 31, 2021. For an athlete that is in the 6th grade as of October 1, 2020 wanting to play down, they can be no older than 11 on or before August 31, 2021.

### 6TH GRADE DIVISION

An athlete must be in the 6th grade as of October 1, 2020 and can be no older than 13 on or before August 31, 2021. For an athlete that is in the 7th grade as of October 1, 2020 wanting to play down, they can be no older than 12 on or before August 31, 2021.

### 7TH GRADE DIVISION

An athlete must be in the 7th grade as of October 1, 2020 and can be no older than 14 on or before August 31, 2021. For an athlete that is in the 8th grade as of October 1, 2020 wanting to play down, they can be no older than 13 on or before August 31, 2021.

## 8TH GRADE DIVISION

An athlete must be in the 8th grade as of October 1, 2020 and can be no older than 15 on or before August 31, 2021. For an athlete that is in the 9th grade as of October 1, 2020 wanting to play down, they can be no older than 14 on or before August 31, 2021.

## 9TH GRADE DIVISION

An athlete must be in the 9th grade as of October 1, 2020 and can be no older than 16 on or before August 31, 2021. For an athlete that is in the 10th grade as of October 1, 2020 wanting to play down, they can be no older than 15 on or before August 31, 2021.

## 10TH GRADE DIVISION

An athlete must be in the 10th grade as of October 1, 2020 and can be no older than 17 on or before August 31, 2021. For an athlete that is in the 11th grade as of October 1, 2020 wanting to play down, they can be no older than 16 on or before August 31, 2021.

## 11TH GRADE DIVISION

An athlete must be in the 11th grade as of October 1, 2020 and can be no older than 18 on or before August 31, 2021. For an athlete that is in the 12th grade as of October 1, 2020 wanting to play down, they can be no older than 17 on or before August 31, 2021.

## 12TH GRADE DIVISION

An athlete must be in the 12th grade as of October 1, 2020 and can be no older than 19 on or before August 31, 2021.

Grade as of October 1, 2020	Requested Grade	Birthdate Requirements
12th Grade	11th Grade	Born on or after 9/1/2003
11th Grade	10th Grade	Born on or after 9/1/2004
10th Grade	9th Grade	Born on or after 9/1/2005
9th Grade	8th Grade	Born on or after 9/1/2006
8th Grade	7th Grade	Born on or after 9/1/2007
7th Grade	6th Grade	Born on or after 9/1/2008
6th Grade	5th Grade	Born on or after 9/1/2009
5th Grade	4th Grade	Born on or after 9/1/2010
4th Grade	3rd Grade	Born on or after 9/1/2011
3rd Grade	2nd Grade	Born on or after 9/1/2012