

JACKSON YOUTH BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

2009 POLAR BEAR CLASSIC

GAME RULES

- Rules:** Ohio High School Athletic Association (OHSAA) rules apply, except where noted.
- Officials:** All officials will be OHSAA-certified. Once the game begins, the officials control the game. The Tournament Director has no authority to overrule an official's ruling except in interpretation of tournament rules. No protests!
- Scorekeepers:** The tournament will provide a timekeeper and scorekeeper for each game. The official scorebook will be kept at the scorer's table.
- Length of Game:** Games shall consist of four (4) 6:00 quarters with a 4:00 halftime. The clock will stop on all whistles. The first overtime period shall be 2:00. The second overtime period shall be sudden death. The first team to score in the second overtime wins.
- Timeouts:** Each team receives three (3) full time-outs per game and one additional time-out for each overtime period.
- Defenses:**
- 3rd and 4th grade divisions
Any form of defense is permitted. Full court press is only allowed in the 4th quarter. A team may not press if it is leading by 15 points or more.
- 5th grade division
Any form of defense is permitted. Full court press is only allowed in the 2nd half. A team may not press if it is leading by 15 points or more.
- 6th grade division
Any form of defense is permitted. Full court press is permitted the entire game. A team may not press if it is leading by 15 points or more.
- All divisions: When pressing is not permitted, the first illegal attempt to do so will result in a warning. The second and all subsequent violations will result in a 2-shot technical foul.
- Mercy Rule:** If the lead exceeds 20 points in the 2nd half, the clock will run continuously until the team reduces the deficit to less than 20 points.
- Foul shooting:** All divisions shoot from the regulation 15-foot foul line. However, 3rd and 4th grade teams will be permitted cross the line on a follow-thru, but the shooter cannot be the first player to touch the rebound. 5th grade and 6th grade teams may not cross the line on a follow-thru.