AUBURN PARKS, ARTS & RECREATION
MEN’S 4-ON-4 BASKETBALL
GENERAL RULES

◊ The gym supervisor assigned by the Parks, Arts & Recreation will be responsible for control of games. He or she may stop or forfeit a game at any time it is determined out of control. Any player may be ejected from a game and must leave the school building. Failure to observe the gym supervisor’s ruling may result in expulsion from the league.

Any ejected player or any team member who confronts an official, player or scorekeeper in any part of the school district facility during or following a game and physically or verbally threatens or attacks the official, player or scorekeeper shall be suspended until a hearing is held to determine appropriate suspension(s) to be imposed.

◊ Please remember this is a “call your own” league. The success of the league and the enjoyment of the teams involved will depend on the sportsmanship and conduct of all players.

◊ Home team is listed first.

◊ Home team receives the ball in first half. Teams will alternate possession on all jump situations thereafter, beginning with the visiting team.

◊ Games will be 20 minute running clock, stop clock last 2 minutes of second half. Stopped clock defined- The clock stops only during the last 2 minutes of the game, if at the two-minute mark, a team is leading by 10 or more points the clock will continue on running time if the margin shrinks to within 6pts, time will then again revert to stop time. Restated- If the game margin is 10 points or more at the 2-minute mark, the game will be in “running time” the rest of the game, with one exception. If in “running time” the margin is cut to 6 points, the clock will then go to a permanent “stop time” to finish the game. No Dunking is allowed during warm-up or games. A player dunking the ball will be ejected from game and one additional game.

◊ This is a “call your own” league. Defensive team or offensive team may call fouls or violations. (Defensive team will have final say on all fouls and violations if there is a disagreement.)

◊ Scorekeeper will keep time, team scores, and team fouls. No individual scores or fouls will be kept.

◊ Shooting team has option of shooting free throws or taking the ball out of bounds on all two-shot fouls and bonus (1+1) situations. Bonus will be awarded on the seventh team foul of each half. Ball will be taken out of bounds on all other common fouls.

◊ Each team will be allowed two time outs per game (one twenty second and one 1 minute timeout).

◊ If the game ends in a tie, flip a coin for who gets the ball and the first team to score wins.

◊ Three point shot will be allowed; defense has final call if it was two or three points.

◊ Casual Profanity, pertains to expletives and verbal unsportsmanlike language not necessarily directed at scorekeepers or other players, but most likely a player uttering them out of frustration. This type of behavior is penalized by a technical foul being declared against the offending player (resulting in two (2) points and retention of the ball the opposing team). If the violation occurs at the end of the game the ejection rule will applied, resulting in a one game suspension. Profanity directed at scorekeepers or others will result in ejection. A team accumulating four (4) in one game will result in the forfeiture of the game.

Purpose: The “Casual Profanity Rule” provides a lesser penalty for the gray area between accepted conduct and those situations where the offender must be ejected. This rule is to discourage the ball players from saying things which may feel are offensive. It has been discovered that the players will police themselves when this rule is applied. The purpose of this rule is to clean up the problems, which exist at the gym today. The spirit of the rule is to bring the fans and families back to the gym by providing a controlling tool. The guidelines will be that if a player expresses frustration through profanity so that it can only be heard by that player and the other players near by on the court and has no influence on others when there is not a problem. If the profanity is loud enough to be heard by the scorekeeper and fan or players on the bench then we are to expect that is loud enough to have offended someone and the penalty “technical foul” should be imposed.