

# D.S.B.N. ELEMENTARY INTERSCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

## N: Basketball - Overview

### **1. Introduction:**

Sufficient time should be given for the development of skills and team play. Game situations with knowledgeable and capable officials increases the students' level of play and understanding of the game. To allow for the availability of officials, the Intermediate and Junior seasons are offset.

### **2. Grade Groups:**

- a) There are separate leagues for Junior and Intermediate Levels.
- b) Thus, there are four leagues: Junior Boys, Junior Girls, Intermediate Boys, and Intermediate Girls.

### **3. Organization:**

- c) Intermediate Area games are suggested not to start before January and conclude by March Break.
- d) Junior Area games are suggested not to start before March Break and conclude by the end of April.
- e) At the junior level:
  - i) Areas organize leagues to name regional winners.
  - ii) If schools wish to participate in the Post-Area Tournament, Area finals must be completed before the Post- Area Tournaments begin.

### **4. Specific Coaching Responsibilities:**

- a) The home team coach should offer some type of change facilities for the visiting team where their clothes will be safe and unharmed.
- b) The home team coach should have the scorer's table between the two benches.
- c) The visiting team coach must ensure that on exit, the change room is in the same state as when they entered.
- d) Arrange for payment of the officials (preferably cash).
- e) Make sure competent scorers and timers are available for the game.
- f) Ensure uniforms are clearly marked and that all sweaters have numbers.
- g) Call in game results as soon as possible as outlined by the convener.
- h) Coaches are requested to be aware of their spectators' behaviour and their effect on play.

**5. Specific Convener Responsibilities:**

- a) Refer to the convener’s section (*see Section I - ‘Conveners’*) of this manual for step-by-step assistance.
- b) At coaches’ meeting, discuss:
  - i) general rules
  - ii) league and playoff structure
  - iii) communication system / reporting scores
- c) Recommend that Area leagues play by O.B.A. rules as used at D.S.B.N. post-area tournaments.

**6. Rules and Scoring:**

- a) Generally, O.B.A. rules will be used for all leagues. Variations at the Area level are acceptable, however, Post- Area tournaments will follow rules listed below.
- b) Basic Rule Chart:

	<b>Junior (grades 4-6)</b>	<b>Intermediate (grades 7-8)</b>
<b>Size of Ball</b>	size 5	size 6
<b>Timing</b>	8 three minute periods (stop-time)	2 twelve minute halves (stop-time)
<b>Time Outs</b>	two 1-minute & two 30-second (One additional 1-minute timeout is given for each overtime period)	two 1-minute & two 30-second Timeouts can not be carried over from the 1 <sup>st</sup> to the 2 <sup>nd</sup> half (One additional 1-minute timeout is given for each overtime period)
<b>Defense</b>	man-to-man	man-to-man
<b>Full-Court Pressing</b>	permitted ONLY during the last of the eight periods and in overtime (Defense must drop back to half-court for <u>all</u> changes of possession during the rest of the game)	The full court concept of man to man pressing may be used throughout the entire game. However if at any time the point difference totals at least 16, then the winning team must fall back and play to the half court rule until the difference in score falls below the minimum difference. At that time the press may come back into play.
<b>Referees</b>	O.B.A. referees	O.B.A. referees

- c) Clarifications:
  - i) At the Junior level, once a team passes over half-court, defense may play full defense even if the offensive team retreats back to their own end (if there is limited or no ‘over and back’ rule in effect).
  - ii) On an inbound pass, neither the defensive or offensive team is allowed inside the restraint line (the room given to permit an inbound pass) during any part of the play.

- d) 'Equal Play' is used for both Junior Boys and Junior Girls leagues. A detailed explanation of how equal play works is available through the Co ordinator as well as posted on first class.
- e) Crests and pennant to be awarded to divisional winners, regional champions and finalists.
- f) Medallions and plaque to be awarded to post-regional tournament winners

### **7. Post- Area Event (D.S.B.N. Championship Tournaments):**

#### **Junior Level:**

The Championship tournament consists of eight teams and occurs on a single-day (weekday, during the day). How schools are chosen is explained in detail under the heading Junior Volleyball and Basketball Wildcards .

#### **Intermediate Level:**

- a) All schools are divided into four Intermediate Groupings (A,B,C,D, ) -Separate tournaments will be held for each grouping.
- b) **Schools enter the tournament through an application process under direction of the E.I.A.A. Co-Ordinator - . .**
- c) Some preliminary games may be held (after-school) to reduce remaining teams to 8 per grouping.
- d) In each grouping, 8 teams compete for board-wide championship in a single-day (week day, during the day) tournament.