

2017-2018 LMYA 9th through 12th Grade Basketball League Rules

1. Games shall be 40 minutes in length.
 - A. (2) 20 minute halves.
 - B. Coaches may use free substitution for the entire game but must ensure that every player is on the court no less than 5 minutes per half.
 - C. 5 minute halftime.
 - D. Clock stops for any dead ball or blown whistle in the last minute of each half.

2. Rims shall be set at 10 feet and 29.5" basketballs for boys and 28.5" basketballs for the girls will be used.

3. Stealing
 - A. Stealing will be permitted off the dribble.
 - B. Stealing is allowed off the pass.

4. Defense
 - A. The defense can set up in the full court or half court.
 - A.1. If a team is up by 10 points or more, no full court press allowed.
 - B. Any type of defense can be played including man-to-man or various zone defenses.
 - C. Double teaming is allowed.
 - D. Block shots:
 - E.1. Arms to go straight up on the defender.
 - E.2. Players may jump straight up in the air to block a shot.

5. Double Dribbling - No warning will be given. A double dribble will result in a turnover.

6. Traveling - No warning will be given. A traveling violation will result in a turnover.

7. Referee(s)
 - A. No coach will be allowed on the court unless directed by the referee.
 - B. There will be two paid referees at each game this year.
 - C. Each organization is responsible for paying LMYA up front for refs fees, which are \$32 per game.
 - D. Only head coaches may interact with the refs.
 - E. Refs will only address head coaches if there is a problem with a player or fan from their team. A warning will be given to the head coach and their team and it is his/her responsibility to address the situation. If that behavior occurs again, a technical foul will be given to the involved team and the player or fan will be ejected. Foul shots will be taken by the opposing team.

8. Fouls - Fouls will officially be kept. A child will foul out of the game once he/she has obtained 5 fouls.

A. Once a team has 7 fouls, the opposing team shall shoot free throws with a 1 and 1 format.

B. Once a team has 10 fouls, the opposing team shall shoot free throws with a 2 shot format.

C. Any player who gets a technical foul must be removed from the game for disciplinary action. They will be allowed to return to the game when the coach deems appropriate. If a player gets two technical fouls in one game, a player is disqualified.

D. Coaches who get one technical foul are disqualified from the game and the referee will discuss the incident with the LMYA grade-level coordinator.

E. Players can enter the lane at the release of the ball from the shooter's hands on free throw attempts.

9. Timeouts - Each team is permitted to have (2) 30-second timeouts per game. Each team is permitted one timeout in overtime; not to be carried over from regular time or previous overtime periods.

10. Team Benches

A. The Head Coach is allowed to stand by the team bench but ALL OTHER COACHES must sit with the team in the bench area during the game.

11. Score - Score will be kept for the Regular Season.

A. Score will be kept during the year end tournament.

B. Overtime - If the score is tied after regulation, an overtime of 3 minutes will be played. If the score is tied after that 3 minute time, another 3 minute overtime period will be played. This will continue until a winner can be determined.

C. Score Boards will be used at all locations.

D. Coaches need to keep score on a score sheet as well. Score sheets will be provided by LMYA.

D1. One coach/parent volunteer must be at the scorer's table to keep score for their team. This is mandatory not optional. Failure to have a bookkeeper, at the scorer's table, will result in a forfeit.

D2. The home team scorer's book will be the official book.

F. The winning coach is to report the score by emailing the score to Claude Pease for 9-12 boys at lmyaclaude@yahoo.com within 24 hours of the game.

12. Standings

A. Official Standings will be kept during the regular season.

B. The standings will be kept at <https://lmya.teamsnapsites.com> (Basketball Home Page)

- C. The standings will be updated as quickly as possible. If the winning team reports their score within the 24 hour window, standings will be updated at least 3 times a week.
 - D. The standings will be used to set up the seeds for the post season tournament.
13. Jewelry – No jewelry is allowed to be worn; this includes rings, bracelets, and ear rings. Medical bracelets are the only exception to this rule.
14. Medical Equipment – The following medical equipment will NOT be allowed to be used.
- A. Casts – hard or soft.
 - B. Splints – hard or soft.
15. Gym Rules
- A. Parents or guardians are responsible for any children who accompanied them to a game. Please supervise children. Do not let them out of your sight.
 - B. Coaches are responsible for the behavior of players during games and practices.
 - C. No food or drink is allowed in any LMYA gyms.
 - D. No bouncing balls in the hallways or lobby of any gymnasium.
16. LMYA Code of Conduct:
- A. All coaches, players, and parents/guardians are required to review and fully comply with the LMYA Code of Conduct. This policy is available for view under the “policies” section of the LMYA website.