



# VBFH Tournament Rules

\* **SPORTSMANSHIP:** Any player/coach/spectator ejected *for fighting* will not be allowed to return for the remainder of the event. Nonphysical ejections will result in a one game ban (not including game of ejection). Head coaches are responsible for their players & parents conduct. Technical fouls with or without warning will be issued for any unsportsmanlike conduct by coaches, players, or spectators.

\* **PLAYER ELIGIBILITY:** A player is only allowed to play on one team; however, a player may also play on one additional team as long as it is ABOVE their age group and WITHIN their program. A player CAN NOT play on more than one team in one age group or with a different program.

\* **CLOCK:** 2, 20 minute halves - Running time - ONLY stops on team OR official time outs; Clock stops ON EVERY whistle last minute of the 1st half and last 2 minutes on the 2nd half ONLY.

\* **FOULS/BONUS:** FT's: (1 and 1) on 10th team foul NO DOUBLE BONUS - 5 fouls = disqualification.

\* **TIME-OUTS:** 4 per game - 2, 60 second and 2, 30 second.

\* **OVERTIME:** Two minutes. 1, 30 second, timeout (no carryovers). Additional overtimes are 1 minute with 1, 30 second timeout... REPEAT UNTIL WINNER.

\* **WARM-UP/HALF-TIME/GRACE:**

- WARM-UPS: Minimum of 3 minutes.
- HALF-TIME: 2 Minutes
- GRACE: A 5 Minute grace period shall be given only if a team has less than 5 players OR the head coach is not present. Please arrive 20 minutes before scheduled time so that we may start early if possible.

\* **MERCY RULES:** 20 Point Lead = running clock in 2ND HALF and defense behind half-court - - - lead must go to 19 or below to return to a stop clock/ability to press.

\* **TIE BREAKER:**

- Head to Head
- Point Diff (+/- 15 max)
- Total points allowed
- Total points scored (If a team plays 4 games, their last game shall not count for or against them but will for opponent)



\* **BALL:** All girls' teams & boys' in 3rd-6th grade will use a 28.5 ball. Boys' in 7th-12th grade will use a 29.5 regulation ball. Agreement from both head coaches can alter rule.

**\*\*VHSL rules apply to manage remaining game play - officials have final say on game matters\*\***

**HOME TEAM** - Is listed first and shall wear a light-colored uniform. Home team is also responsible to PROVIDE THE OFFICIAL SCOREKEEPER (BOOK).

**AWAY TEAM** - Is listed and shall wear a dark-colored uniform, and PROVIDE PERSONNEL TO COVER THE CLOCK.