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**2025-26 Florida Keys Youth Basketball League**

**SUMMARY OF KEY RULES**

1. **LENGTH OF GAMES and TIMING RULES**
* 10 minute quarters
	+ 1 minute between each quarter
	+ 2 minute halftime
* Clock will be a running clock.
* The clock will only stop for:
	+ During the last minute of the 2nd and 4th quarter.
	+ Time outs.
	+ Injury.
	+ The clock does not stop for free throws.
* All game time eligible players must check in and play in each half.
* Each overtime is 2 minute with a stopped clock.
* Each team gets 1 additional timeout per overtime.
1. **DEFENSE**
* No pressing in Division 1, but must get ball over half court within 10 seconds.
* Press only in the last 2 minutes of the 2nd and 4th quarters in Division 2 & 3.
* No pressing when up by 20 or more points.
1. **TIME OUTS**
* Teams will be awarded 2 timeouts per half. The length of each timeout will be no longer than 1 minute. If a team does not use both time outs in the first half, the unused timeout(s) will **NOT** be carried over into the second half.
* If game goes into overtime each team receives 1 timeout per overtime.
1. **VIOLATIONS**
* ALL Violations will be called:
* 3 seconds in the key **(not for D-1)**
* 5 seconds pressure defense
* 5 seconds to inbound
* 10 second backcourt
* Jumping over the free throw line **(not for D-1)**
* Double dribbles, Travelling, Etc.
1. **BONUS**
* When a team commits their fifth common foul in a quarter, the opponent receives two free throws for that foul and any subsequent fouls in the quarter.
* Team fouls reset: Team fouls reset at the end of each quarter
1. **TECHNICAL FOULS**
* Any player or coach, who receives 2 technical fouls, or one flagrant foul, during the course of a game, will be ejected from the game, and subject to FKYBL official review. Additional disciplinary action may result.
* Any hostile act, as identified by the referee, will result in immediate ejection, followed by FKYBL league official’s review. Any such act will also be subject to additional disciplinary action, with potential for suspension, or ejection from the league.
1. **GAME CANCELLATIONS**
* There are no game cancellations except by league officials AND only by lack of gym/court availability. If coaches and/or players cannot attend or teams can’t field at least 4 players, the game will be recorded as a FORFEIT.
* If your team is going to be short players, please notify Melissa O’Keeffe (305)-747-0710 and we can resolve the issue.
* In case of rain, game will be played the next day (Sunday).
1. **LATE REGISTRATIONS**
* Players registering post-draft can only be approved by the FKYBL Board. Team assignments will be conducted by the league officials only.
* No new players after game play begins (exceptions to be reviewed by league, and subject to board approval; i.e. new student to the county, etc.)
1. **PLAYOFF**
* Playoff format if in event of a tie:
	+ Winning record
	+ Head to head
	+ Recent win (if even)
	+ Coin toss
1. **REFEREES**
* A minimum of 1 league approved referee is required to play game.
* Outcome / results must be texted, emailed or called in same day.
1. **COACHES**
* A maximum of 2 coaches per team; 1 head and 1 assistant, may sit on the bench for games. Each coach will receive a team shirt.
* All coaches need to submit a level 2 background check paid for by FKYBL
1. **Let’s have a great season!**