

Coaching & Team Management

Section 8

8.1 Team Management

- 8.2 It is the responsibility of each Coach, Manager or Responsible Adult to be ready to play at the beginning of each scheduled game time.
- 8.2.1 When games are running behind the scheduled time, at the discretion of the referees after consultation and unanimous agreement of the coaches, managers or responsible adults, the times may be altered or running time may be used in order to get games to their scheduled time.
- 8.2.2 For starting a game shorthanded, refer to Section 9: Player In-Game Eligibility Rules
- 8.3 No game shall be played by a team which is not accompanied by a coach, manager or responsible adult.
- 8.4 The Coach, Manager or Responsible Adult shall be responsible for the conduct of all members of the team, their minor official, parents and spectators.
- 8.5 The Coach, Manager or Responsible Adult shall be at least 18 years of age and cannot be a current player who plays on the team.
- 8.6 The occupants of a team's bench will be limited to a total of three coaches and/or managers and/or responsible adults and the registered members of the team.
- 8.7 No spectators will be allowed to watch the game from the same side of the gymnasium as the player's benches where facilities allow. The game will not commence until the above rule is complied with.
- 8.8 All forfeited games will be scored 20-0 in favor of the non-defaulting team. Any team that forfeits two (2) consecutive scheduled games may be withdrawn from league play. The determination of a team being withdrawn from league play can be made by the Executive Director in consultation with the EYBA Executive. Zones with teams who forfeit are debited \$100/forfeit. Zones with teams what are forfeited against are credited \$100/forfeit. Coaches who forfeit or are forfeited against should let their zone director know so they can update the EYBA Executive Director.
- 8.9 The Home team will have the choice of bench (unless the facility used has designated benches). Teams shall warm up at the end of the playing court closest to their own bench for the first half (as per FIBA). NOTE: You start the offence at the basket you practiced at.
- 8.10 A Coach, Manager or Responsible Adult who is unable to field a team for a game must notify their Zone as early as possible. The rescheduling of ANY games will not be considered by the EYBA Executive Director. If logistics allow, the EYBA Executive Director may attempt to reschedule but is not required as is it not standard practice.
- 8.11 If a team forfeits a game in the playoff round that team may or may not advance further in the playoffs depending on the round.
- 8.12 Sixteen (16) working days notice is required to cancel practice times. Teams must contact their Zone Directors if they need to cancel practice time.

8.13 Player Management

8.14 Call Up Player

- 8.14.1 If a team is below 8 available players for a game, they may call up players using the guidelines below.
- 8.14.2 The intent of the rule is to avoid the last-minute forfeit of games due to lack of players
- 8.14.3 Players may be called up from one category to another (Ex: 11U to 13U) or within the same Category from a lower tier to a higher (Ex: 5 to a 3 team but not from higher to lower).
- 8.14.4 Teams can call up players from within their zone (Northwest, Southeast, Northeast or Southwest). Ex: Northwest can pick up players from Northwest but they cannot pick up players from Southwest.
- 8.14.5 All players brought up from a lower level must be clearly indicated on the front of the score sheet by the designation "CU". It is the coach's, managers or responsible adult's responsibility to inform the Minor Officials so that the score sheet can be properly marked.
- 8.14.6 The call-up must be only to fill a team roster to a maximum of eight (8) players.
- 8.14.7 A player may only be called up 3 times.
- 8.14.8 Teams may NOT call up players for the EYBA Playoffs.

8.15 Spirit of Play

- 8.15.1 The safety of the player is the first and foremost concern of the EYBA.
- 8.15.2 EYBA exists to promote the development of the players in all areas of skill, attitude, and sportsmanship. To ensure this purpose is met every player should receive reasonable playing time.
 - 8.15.2.1 Reasonable playing time is defined as an athlete playing a Minimum of two (2) significant shifts per half.
 - 8.15.2.2 Significant shifts should be no less than 3 minutes.
 - 8.15.2.3 Exceptions:
 - 8.15.2.3.1 Injury.
 - 8.15.2.3.2 Illness.
 - 8.15.2.3.3 Discipline, from either the league, official, or within the team.
 - 8.15.2.3.4 Disqualification/Ejection.
 - 8.15.2.3.5 Fatigue.
 - 8.15.2.3.6 Foul trouble.
 - 8.15.2.3.7 Excessive roster size.
- 8.15.3 No player should play an entire half when substitutes are available.

- 8.15.4 These guidelines are based on a roster of 10-12 players.
- 8.15.5 Spirit of play guidelines should be maintained throughout the playoffs.
- 8.15.6 Zone Directors are to receive any complaints regarding fair play rules. If necessary, the zone director can forward any such complaints to EYBA.
- 8.15.7 Any complaint pursuant to these guidelines should be forwarded via email and accompanied by any pertinent information (Game, Location, Division, Relevant Player Numbers/Names/Team, Scoresheet, etc.)
- 8.15.8 The EYBA may choose to pursue disciplinary action. However, it is common practice for the EYBA to defer to the zone to enforce their own “Spirit of Play” guidelines.
- 8.15.9 If the EYBA receives repeated reports about a particular zone, team or coach, an investigation will be conducted.
- 8.15.10 Zones are encouraged to monitor how their coaches follow “Spirit of Play” guidelines. If a zone has concerns with a particular coach or team, they may consider asking a coach or team manager to keep a written record of their substitutions and playing time for each player.
 - 8.15.10.1 Minor Table Officials can be of great assistance by filling out the score sheet to include how many times a player has received a significant shift.