

WEST VANCOUVER STEVE NASH
YOUTH BASKETBALL LEAGUE
RULES 2009-2010

We have modified the rules to maximize playing time. There are no foul shots, no stop time and no timeouts except for grade 6/7 & 8/9. We expect it to be a very fast-paced, kid-centred game, played for their enjoyment.

AGE GROUP	Gr. 2/3	Gr. 4/5	Gr. 6/7	Gr. 8/9
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Technical

Ball Size	5	5	6	7
Players	4 on 4	5 on 5	5 on 5	5 on 5
Playing Time	equal	equal	equal	equal
Jersey	home team is white and away team is red			
Food in Gym	no	no	no	no
Water	yes	yes	yes	yes

General

Keep Score	no	yes	yes	yes
3 Point Shots	no	no	no	yes
Start of Game	jump ball	jump ball	jump ball	jump ball
Alternating Possession	yes	yes	yes	yes
Screening	no	yes	yes	yes
3 Seconds in Key	no	warn	yes	yes
Full court pressure	no	no	no	yes

(No, if score differential
Greater than 20 points.)

Game Time (running time)

Warm up	0	8 min	8 min	8 min
First Half	20 min	20min	20 min	20 min
Half time	5 min	3 min	3 min	3 min
Second Half	20 min	25 min	25 min	25 min

Time outs	none	none	1/half	1/half
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(30 sec long and clock stops.)

Defence

Man to man only. No zone defence. All defences
No double teaming allowed

Fouls

Record Fouls	no	yes	yes	yes
Foul Out	N.A.	5	5	5
Foul Shots	no	no	no	no

Non Shooting Fouls	possession at half court	possession nearest side line or base line
Shooting Fouls	N.A.	If did not score: 1 point and keep possession If scored: 1 extra point and change of possession
Flagrant Foul	N.A.	2 points and keep possession. Player is ejected and executive notified of incident

At the beginning of the season, officials may warn players rather than strictly enforce some of the rules. Officials and coaches are encouraged to use “the teachable moment” concept to reinforce particular rules of the game. Done correctly, this should be short, clear and without judgement. This is especially for the younger players.

Other rules of play will follow High School rules administered by BCBOA.

Coaches are not allowed to coach a referee. The official’s decision is final. Any concerns about an official’s skill should be directed to the age group coordinator.