

Ottawa Recreation Adult basketball Rules and Fees

1. The league fees this year is as follows: \$300 for any team on which all players are from inside Ottawa City limits (Naplate is considered inside city limits). \$390 for any team with any player from outside the Ottawa City limits. There is no limit on out-of- limits players on teams that pay the \$390 fee. The fee pays for nine regular season games plus at least one tournament game if the team is eligible. Recreation reserves the right to reschedule games as necessary.
2. Checks are to be made payable to Ottawa Recreation and must be paid when submitting registration or at the registration meeting. No post-dated checks will be accepted.
3. **The governor's mask order is still in effect at the time these rules were published, so masks are required while playing. If the order is reversed, masks will not be required.**

Recreation Basketball Rules. These rules supplement the IHS rulebook.

1. Roster
 - a. There must be a minimum of **8** players on a team. There is no maximum. All managers must approve and submit a roster of their team at the time of registration. **All rosters must have addresses and phone numbers or emails for each player.**
 - b. If a player is dismissed due to unsportsmanlike conduct violation, the coach is not allowed to add a player to the roster. The Recreation department will enforce dismissal from the league and tournament.
 - c. Teams may not add to the roster after the first game except in the case of hardship subject to the director's approval. Hardship additions due to injuries must have a doctor's excuse.
 - d. High school students and players on the roster of a college team are not eligible for this league.
 - e. No players can be added at tournament time.
2. General Rules
 - a. There will be two halves of **18** minutes each. Halftime will be three minutes long. The clock will stop for dead ball situations only in the last two minutes of each half.
 - b. Overtime is two minutes long. The clock will stop during overtime.
 - c. Three time outs are allowed per game. One additional time out will be awarded during overtime.
 - d. Free throws must be shot within **ten seconds** or a violation will be called on the shooting team.
 - e. Intentional fouls will be two shots with the shooting team getting the ball out of bounds.
 - f. In case of league tie the following tiebreakers will be used.
 - i. Head to head
 - ii. Total points scored
 - iii. If the teams did not play each other, tiebreaker will be total points scored.
 - g. Players must stay in the lobby and gym area. Players must enter Marquette's Bader gym through the southeast entrance. Players must enter and leave Ottawa's Love Gym via the North-East Entrances only.
 - h. Smoking or vaping is not permitted on school grounds.
 - i. Players must wear athletic shoes and proper basketball clothing to participate in the game. No street shoes or street clothes allowed.
 - j. If a team forfeits two games, they may not participate in the tournament.
 - k. A player must be on a team's roster and not play for another team to be eligible for the tournament.
 - l. The first place team in the league shall receive a plaque.
 - m. If a team forfeits for any reason, the forfeit fee of **\$50** to cover the officials' pay must be paid before the team will be allowed to participate in the next game.
 - n. A team can start and play with four players. No non-roster fill-ins are allowed.
 - o. Illegal substitutions will result in one technical free throw and the ball out of bounds for the other team. **There are no on-the-fly substitutions.** Substitutions can be made at the following times:
 - i. Free-throws
 - ii. Jump balls
 - iii. Time outs
 - iv. Dead balls

- p. Ottawa Recreation will not be allowed to use the facilities if there is any destruction of school property or vandalism. Among other things, this includes damage to benches, windows, restroom facilities, bleachers, etc. We will pro rate and return fees if the school board finds damage and terminates our use of the facilities. If the school board does not terminate the league, those teams belonging to the league playing when the damage occurred will be terminated unless the responsible person pays for the damage. The remaining league would continue.
 - q. Refrain from spitting on the floors and walls.
3. **Unsportsmanlike Conduct:**
- a. The following violations are defined as unsportsmanlike conduct and will result in dismissal from the game and suspension from the following game. If the violation occurs during the last tournament game, the player may not play in the first game of the next season.
 - i. Abusive Language of any sort directed at any one in the gym.
 - ii. Destruction of property
 - iii. Smoking or vaping on school property
 - iv. Attempted verbal or physical intimidation or fighting.
 - v. Two Technical fouls in one game.
 - b. Two of the above violations in a season will result in dismissal from the league and the tournament.
 - c. ***If a player is ejected from the league for two consecutive years or twice in five years, that person shall be banned from any Ottawa Recreation Basketball league for five years beginning the next season. The ejected player may appeal to the recreation board. This rule is retroactive to the 2006 season***
 - d. The following violations will result in a technical foul. Two technical fouls in one game shall be deemed unsportsmanlike conduct (see 3a).
 - i. Obscene language (defined as language that should not be used in the presence of children)
 - ii. Illegal substitution
 - iii. Deliberate delay of game
 - iv. Throwing the ball away.
 - v. Kicking the ball away.
 - vi. Flagrant shooting of the ball after the whistle
 - vii. Refusal to hand the ball to the official in timely manner.
4. **Tournament**
- a. The tournament pairings will be announced at the last game of the season.
 - b. If byes are needed, *they will be given to teams with the best record based on strength of schedule and point differential against common opponents. Parings will be based on record and strength of schedule.*
 - c. Trophies will be awarded for first, second, and third places in the tournament.
 - d. League Location – The schedule will note whether the game is to be played at Bader Gym or in Ottawa High School's Kingman Gymnasium. Only water is allowed in the gym area. Please be good guests and clean up when leaving.
0. **Parking.**
- a. Stay in parking areas only.
 - b. Police will ticket all cars illegally parked.

Remember that this is a recreational league. Our primary purpose is to enjoy the competition and have fun.