

RULES for Junior Domestic

UNDER 8 mixed teams

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1. All teams should endeavour to field a boy girl / combination.
2. The clock does not stop during the game, except for referee's time out. (e.g. Injuries, heat rule etc.)
3. Teams will be permitted two time outs per half (1 minute each). No time outs will be permitted in the last three minutes of each half (to allow maximum game time for the players).
4. Each player is permitted 5 fouls.
5. Five second rule in the offensive key shall apply.
6. No (3) point shots. Shots taken from the outside the three point line that are successful will be counted as two points on the scoresheet and scoreboard.
7. If a goal is shot in the oppositions basket—points will be awarded to the opposition team.
8. Foul shots / free throws will be taken from the closest point of the free throw circle to the ring.
9. Travelling— two steps then dribble will be accepted by the referees. Any steps taken once a player has stopped dribbling (except for a layup or pivot) will be called as travel.
10. Double dribble —once a player has stopped with dribbling the ball, they must pass or shoot it.
Dribble, stop, dribble is a violation. Players need to learn to bounce the ball with one hand only.
11. Centreline violation will apply.
12. 10 point rule—when a team has a 10 point lead on the opposing team, they must fall back behind the 3 point line, until the other team has entered the inside of the three point area. To defend outside this area / 3point line prior to the other team's entrance will result in violation to be called.
13. Games will have two referees.
14. Referees are encouraged to explain violations to children when called. Players need to understand that a foul is a penalty.
15. All referees decisions will be final and calls will be made in accordance with the association rules and under 8's referees guidelines.
16. Game will be played on 8ft rings where available.

General information:

- To provide maximum game time for the players, please ensure all players shoe laces are tied up properly before taking the court.
- In hot weather there will be a compulsory umpires time out called as close to the 9 minute mark as possible. (check with supervisor for temperature details).
- All coaches, parents and players are expected to abide by the codes of conduct during the games **at all times**, if there are any concerns that need to be dealt with, refer them to the under 8's supervisor as soon as possible.
- Under 8's players are developing their skills and gaining an understanding of the game when playing. This should be kept in mind at all times. Positive encouragement and comments are highly regarded. No negative comments towards coaches, referees, players or spectators will be tolerated at **any** time, for **any** reason.
- Referees need to talk to players and explain what they are doing wrong.