

GREATER PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY CENTER
MEN'S BASKETBALL LEAGUE

RULES & REGULATIONS

Waivers and Code of Conduct Forms: All players must sign the "Code of Conduct" form before playing. No player will be permitted to play in this league without fully understanding the purpose of this league and the conduct expected of its participants. This form needs to be handed in before the first game is played.

Playing Rules: Play will be in accordance with the FIBA Basketball Rules with the following additions and emphasis:

- DISORDERLY CONDUCT BY PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS OR THEIR FANS WILL NOT BE TOLERATED. EXCESSIVE LANGUAGE, VERBAL ASSAULT ON OFFICIALS, AND ALL OTHER DISRUPTIVE BEHAVIOR WILL RESULT IN EXPULSION FROM THE LEAGUE. (See Code of Conduct Sheet for further clarification.)
- A coin flip shall determine which team gets the first possession. The team that wins the coin flip can either choose to benefit from the ball possession at the beginning of the game or at the beginning of a potential overtime.
- Referee fees: cash paid to official prior to the start of the game. The game will not begin until each official has been paid.
- Players are allowed six personal fouls per game.
- The top four teams in each division will play in divisional semi-finals. We are using this format: 1 vs 4; 2 vs 3 for each division. There will be two separate divisional champions.
- There will be a 30-minute running Clock - will stop only for time outs and injuries.
- Each team will be given two full time-outs and one 20 second time-out per half.
- Each overtime is 2 minutes (no time-out) or the first to two points.
- Substitutions must notify ref. the ref will blow the whistle during a dead ball to announce substitution. Subs should stand off to the side of the score table so that the ref knows you'll be coming in.

- On screens and picks, a player must go around it; running through a pick is a foul.
- This is a NO dunking league. Any dunking, the attempt to dunk or hanging on the rim or net will result in a technical foul.

Scoring

- Every successful shot inside the arc shall be awarded 1 point.
- Every successful shot behind the arc shall be awarded 2 points.
- Every successful free throw shall be awarded 1 point.

Winner of a game

- The first team to score 21 points or more wins the game if it happens before the end of regular playing time. This rule applies to regular playing time only (not in a potential overtime).
- If the score is tied at the end of playing time, an extra period of time will be played. There shall be a break of 1 minute before the overtime starts. The first team to score 2 points in the overtime wins the game.

Player Information/Eligibility

- 5 players may be listed on the roster as eligible players.
- A player is eligible if they have read the rules and signed the Roster/Code of Conduct form. *Player(s) can be added to the roster up to the 3rd week of the season. (Not the team's third game).*
- 3 players will constitute a team. If you know that you do not have enough players please call the league coordinator at (610) 313-8680 and let them know your team will be forfeiting that game.
- Only those 18 years of age and older and have graduated from high school are eligible to participate in the 18 and over adult league. A driver's license may be required to verify age.

- No person can play for more than one team in the same division.
- Spitting on the floor or walls is prohibited. There is a place for that purpose next to the water fountains. If staff sees you or you are seen on the surveillance camera, you will be asked to leave the building for that day. If this behavior continues, further action will be taken.

Forfeits

- Team captains are responsible for calling the league coordinator at the GPCC if your team plans to forfeit. We will make every attempt to notify the other team's captain of the forfeited game. Calling in the forfeit is a courtesy to the other team, refs and scorekeeper.
- If both teams do not show, up for a game, it will be a double forfeit and both teams.

Play-offs

- The top four teams in each division will advance to their divisional single elimination play-off tournament at the end of the season (the number of teams that make the play-offs will depend on the league format). If a tie occurs, the following criteria will be used to determine who participates in the play-offs:
 - i. total head to head games won
 - ii. total head to head points scored
 - iii. total head to head points allowed
 - iv. total points scored
 - v. a coin toss
- In the case of multiple team (3 or more) ties, the team with the best head to head record among the tied teams will receive the higher position. Highest winning percentage will be used if necessary.
- A player must play in at least three games in the regular season in order to qualify to play in the play-offs. Rosters will be checked before play-offs.

Miscellaneous

- NO REFUNDS WILL BE GRANTED ONCE THE SCHEDULE IS MAILED OUT.
- Team captains are responsible for informing their teammates about the game times, changes in schedules, notices, cancellations, rules and regulations of the league, etc.
- Team captains need to give daytime and evening phone numbers so that we can contact you in case of a forfeit or last minute change. Or, have a second person as the contact person.
- Depending on the number of teams in the league, each team may play some teams two times in the season. Each team is guaranteed to play at least eight games.
- Team Names: when choosing a name for your team please remember this is a family oriented community center. The GPCC reserves the right to ask you to change your team name if it has a derogatory connotation. Those teams with sponsors usually use their sponsor's name.
- Snow and/or weather cancellations are not called to you. On questionable days, you need to call the Community Center at (610) 277 – 4312. We suggest that the captain call us and have the team members call the captain or set up a chain for calls.
- No jewelry allowed. Alert ref if someone is wearing a ring, long necklace, bracelets, and/or dangling or loopy earrings.
- No tobacco chewing, no smoking, no profanity anywhere in the building.
- Uniforms: All teams must have matching colored t-shirts/jerseys with numbers on the back. No ripping or cutting the shirt down the sides or chest. And no shirts cut so that the belly is showing. You will have until the second week in the season to get matching shirts with numbers for everyone who plays. If not, then they will not be able to play that night.

- Alcohol & Drug Policy: Per Plymouth Township ordinance, no alcohol or drug use will be tolerated in the GPCC or its property. No player shall appear on the court under the influence of alcohol or drugs in such a manner as to not have control of his/her faculties to the extent that there is a chance of physical injury to him/her or others (police will be involved). Minimum penalty, ejection from the GPCC and/or suspension from team's next scheduled game.
- Missing Items: The GPCC assumes no responsibility for lost or stolen property. If something is missing, check with the front desk lost and found. Valuable items should be left home or locked up.
- No food or drink is allowed in the gym. Water or sport drinks are permitted provided it is in a plastic container with a secured lid (no glass or metal containers permitted). A vending area with tables and chairs are located next to the gym.
- The Greater Plymouth Community Center has no provision for accident insurance for players or spectators, nor will it assume any responsibility for accident or injury in conjunction with this program for its players and spectators.
- Blood: Any blood flowing from the body, no matter what the amount, must be cleaned up and the cut must be covered. We provide first aid supplies at the score table. You must have a community center staff assist you. You may not take items out of the first aid box without the permission from the G.P.C.C. staff.
- Weekly standings Plymouth Township's web site: www.plymouthtownship.org (click on the community center and go to leagues). All discrepancies need to be brought to the attention of the league coordinator immediately.
- Any questions, comments, or concerns regarding the league should be directed to the League Coordinator, Malcolm Smith at 610-313-8680 or by email at msmith@plymouthtownship.org