<u>Playing rules</u> will be according to the current rules utilized by FIBA with the following modifications for junior high play.

- Four eight-minute quarters stopped time. Overtime play 5 minutes. During the last two minutes of the second half and the final two minutes of the subsequent extra period, the game clock shall be stopped following a successful field goal.
- Man-to-man defence during league play (including playoffs). Zone full court press may be utilized. When ball crosses centre line defensive team reverts to man-to-man play. After a 20 point spread, full court press must be taken off.
- Over and back line on small courts will be determined by coaches and referees before start of game.
- Leather game ball: girls size 28.5 (6); boys size 29.5 (7).
- Please note "Fair Play" Mercy Rule if midway through 4th quarter, the score has a 30 point difference, clock will run except during time-outs and free throws.

FIBA Rules Highlights:

- 8 second back court count
- 24-second shot clock (Called by officials, except in playoff where a shot clock is available).
- timeouts to be requested through the score table and granted at the next stoppage in play
- 5 timeouts per game 2 in first half; 3 in second half with no carry over. Only 2 can be used in final 2 minutes of game.

League Tie-breaker Rules:

If 2 or more teams have the same win-loss record of all games in the pool, the game(s) between these 2 or more teams shall decide the ranking.

If the 2 or more teams have the same win-loss record of the games between them, further criteria will be applied in the following order:

- 1. Higher goal difference of the games between them.
- 2. Higher number of goals scored in the games between them.
- 3. Higher goal difference of all games in the pool.
- 4. Least amount of goals surrendered in all games in the pool.