



NEW BASKETBALL RULES BEGINNING MON 12TH JANUARY 2009

Please familiarise yourself with the following information regarding new FIBA rules that come into effect for all Oakleigh Basketball competitions beginning Monday 12th January, 2009.

If you are unsure of any of these rules, please see the referees supervisor Don Purdie.

UNIFORMS- NO T-SHIRTS OR SKINS

The wearing of T-Shirts or skins that extend beyond a players top is no longer permitted. If any undergarments are worn due to medical reasons, a medical certificate must be supplied prior to playing your game. Players may wear bike shorts under their shorts if they do not extend below the knee and they must be of the same primary colour as the teams shorts. Points will be allocated against players whose tops are without proper numbers on both the front and back. These numbers cannot be drawn on in texta or made of tape.

PLAYER FALLING ON THE FLOOR - TRAVELLING

A player who falls and slides on the floor while holding the ball is not travelling. A travel will only be called on a player who then rolls or attempts to stand while holding the ball.

CENTRE LINE VIOLATION

A player may legally jump from his backcourt; catch the ball whilst in the air and land in the frontcourt.

BALL GOES INTO TEAM'S FRONT COURT

During a dribble from backcourt to frontcourt, the ball goes into a team's frontcourt when both feet of the dribbler and the ball are in contact with the frontcourt. A player whilst dribbling may stand with one foot in the frontcourt and one in the backcourt without causing a violation to occur. Until a player has both feet and is dribbling the ball in their frontcourt they will be considered to be in the backcourt and the eight (8) second count will continue.

FAST BREAK-UNSPORTSMANLIKE FOUL

If a defensive player causes contact with an opponent from behind or laterally in an attempt to stop a fast break and there is no opponent between the offensive player and the opponents' basket, then the contact shall be judged to be unsportsmanlike. This means that any or all contact on a player on a fast break will be judged as unsportsmanlike.

DISQUALIFYING FOUL

Whenever an offender is disqualified according to the rules, they must leave the building.

TECHNICAL FOUL – EXCESSIVE SWING OF ELBOWS

A technical foul can be called on a player for excessive swinging of elbows (**without contact**). Referees may give one warning, which will cover every player in that game. **If such action results in contact, then an unsportsmanlike or disqualifying foul will be called.**

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