

# Portland Parks & Recreation | Adult Basketball Bylaws – 2023-2024

## General

1. The official rules are those governed by the MHSAA, except for bylaws listed below.
2. Bylaws, general rules/regulations apply to all games, including leagues, playoffs, etc.
3. The Parks and Recreation Department reserves the right to change teams to different leagues to ensure fair and equal play for all teams, players, and sponsors.
4. All items not covered by these bylaws and general rules and regulations are left to the discretion of the Director of Parks & Recreation and/or the Recreation Coordinator.
5. Shirts and a trophy will be awarded to the winners of each league. Ties in the standings will be decided by head to head record involving all teams tied. If still tied, first place will be decided by a one game playoff the week after the season finale. Non-first place ties after H2H will be decided by points allowed in the H2H games, if still tied, tie breaker will point differential in head to head games.
6. All games will be played on Sunday unless stated otherwise. Any game lost to ice, snow, etc. will be made up if time and facility availability permits.
  - a. **MAKEUP DATE: FEBRUARY 11, 2024**
  - b. Inclement Weather Line: (517) 647-3207
  - c. Alerts will also be posted at <https://www.portland-michigan.org/387/InclementWeather>
7. **ABSOLUTELY NO SMOKING OR ALCOHOL USE IN ANY SCHOOL BY ANYONE AT ANYTIME.** Violators will forfeit all fees and be removed from further participation.

## Players & Substitutions

8. Current interscholastic and intercollegiate players are not eligible to play.
9. Players may NOT play for more than one team regardless of league/division.
10. Teams will be allowed to add players throughout the entire regular season. Individual player fees and registration forms are to be completed before participating in a game.
11. A substitute will be allowed to play one game but will be required to pay a \$5.00 individual player roster fee and complete a player waiver prior to the game. Any individual that subs for more than one game will be considered a full season team member and will be required to pay the entire individual player fee which is based on their residency.
12. **Managers are responsible for providing the scorekeeper with player names/numbers before the game.**

## Equipment & Court Information

13. All teams are responsible for providing their own jerseys/shirts. Numbers must be printed on the back of the jersey/shirt. The entire team must have matching jerseys/shirts with a number.
14. Game balls will be furnished by Portland Parks & Recreation; practice balls are provided by the participants.
15. Court 1 is the furthest from the cafeteria, Court 2 is closest to the cafeteria, and Court 3 is the upstairs auxiliary gym.

## Waivers

16. Individual liability waivers and player fees are due prior to the team's first game. Waivers and fees should be completed online at <https://portlandmi.recdesk.com/Community/Home>. Paper liability waivers and fees can be turned in to the league supervisor at the gym on game day or at City Hall.
  - a. *Please note that there is a discount of \$5 when paying online.*

## Game Play

17. The game will consist of **two (2), twenty (20) minute halves with a running clock with the exception of the last one (1) minute of the second half & overtimes. During those exceptions the clock will stop on all whistles.** Halftime will be up to five (5) minutes (officials discretion). Overtime will be three (3) minutes with a running clock until the last minute. Multiple overtimes will be played if necessary. **There will be no ties.**
18. Substitutions can be made on a dead ball only; players do not need to check in with the scorekeeper.
19. Pre-game warmup is allowed only if time permits.
20. Teams must start the game with at least four players. Game time is forfeit time.
21. Technical fouls will result in an automatic two points and the ball. There will be no foul shots for technical fouls or flagrant fouls.
22. Technical fouls will also be counted as one of a player's five personal fouls. A player receiving a second technical foul in the game will be ejected from the game and will be suspended for the next game. If you are ejected from a second game, you are ejected for the remainder of the season.
23. **DUNKING SHALL BE ALLOWED DURING GAMES ONLY** - There shall be no grasping or hanging on the rim at any time. Any player caught doing so by an official, scorekeeper, coordinator, or director will be assessed a two shot technical foul and will not be allowed to participate for the remainder of the game.
24. Each team will be allowed one (1) timeout per half. One (1) timeout given for each overtime period. **Timeouts will not carry over to any half or overtime.**
25. 10-second backcourt violations and over and back violations will be called on all courts.
26. In the upstairs auxiliary gym (court #3) the side walls (**not the lines**) will determine out of bounds. Baselines will determine out of bounds on each end.

## Officials

27. The game officials are representatives of Portland Parks & Recreation and are charged with complete authority and responsibility for the conduct and control of the games. The Department Representative present at all games, either the Director or the Recreation Coordinator, is responsible for the building, spectators, and conduct of participants before, during, and after each game. Questions about the officials may be directed to the Department Representative by the manager only after the completion of the ball game. No other requests will be honored.
28. **Players wanting to discuss a call or rule interpretation must do so in a respectful manner during a dead ball (timeout, halftime, etc.); discussions during gameplay will not be entertained. Profane language and/or disrespectful behavior toward officials or opponents will not be tolerated.**