

2012 AAU Qualifier/Championship Rules

AAU GIRLS' BASKETBALL

Players disqualified at 5 fouls. Bonus free-throw at seven team fouls. Double bonus at ten team fouls.

Minnesota AAU Invitational tournaments will be played under the 2011-2012 National Federation High School (NFHS) rules, except for the following changes:

- 1. Membership:** Only AAU members may participate. All personnel sitting on the bench must have AAU athlete or non-athlete membership. **Each team will receive two coaches passes from Dave Preller that must be visible for admission and to sit on the bench.**
 - 2. Length of game**

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| 8 th grade and below | 14 minute halves |
| 9 th grade and above | 16 minute halves |
- All games will be stop time. If a game has a 20 point or greater margin with 8 minutes left in the game, clock will go running time. If the margin becomes less than 20 points stop time will resume.
- 3. Time outs:** Each team shall receive **3 Full timeouts per game.**
 - 4. Freethrows:** Players may move on release of the ball during freethrow attempts.
 - 5. Overtime:** **1 minute will be given between the end of regulation and the start of the first overtime period.** Each overtime period will be **2 minutes** stop time. No additional timeouts will be granted for the overtime period but carryover timeouts from regulation play can be used. There will be 30 seconds between overtime periods.
 - 6. Home/Away:** The home team is listed second in pool play and will wear dark uniforms. The visiting team is listed first in pool play and will wear light uniforms.
 - 7. Official Book** **The home team will provide the official book and must sit at the score table. The home team can (and it is preferred that they do) use their own scorebook. If they do not have a scorebook, blank score sheets will be available. Note: Host does not require the blank score sheets to be filled out.**
 - 8. Forfeit Rule:** Game time is game time. There is no grace period! A team must have 5 players to start a game. In pool play, a forfeit is 13-0 for tiebreaker situations.
 - 9. Warm up:** A minimum of **4 minutes** will be given for pre-game warm up. Games can start early with mutual consent of both coaches and officials.
 - 10. Halftime:** Halftime will be **4 minutes.** The site director or officials may reduce halftime if the court is running behind schedule.
 - 11. Basketballs:** Officials will choose at game ball from one of the teams. When possible, a Spaulding Wide Seam Ball will be used.

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12. **AAU Responsibilities:** Any questions, comments, or concerns regarding the schedule, officials, eligibility of athletes, etc. should be directed to Dave Preller, Director of Minn AAU Girls Basketball AAU
Cell: 651-343-8327
davidpreller@comcast.net
13. **Host Responsibilities:** Any questions, comments, or concerns regarding the facility or host staff should be directed to the site director.
14. **Sportsmanship:** MN AAU recognizes the importance of sportsmanship in providing a competitive environment that is positive and fun! MN AAU keeps a file on each team/coaching staff and each game official. Disciplinary Action will be taken for those who display poor behavior!
15. **Three Strike Rule for coaches:** When MN AAU has received written notice from officials or tournament staff concerning unsportsmanlike behavior during 3 games, MN AAU contacts the coach involved and places him/her on probation (**strike one**). If 2 additional written notices are posted to the team/coaching staff, the offending coach will be suspended for one weekend (**strike two**). The next written notice of unsportsmanlike behavior will result in suspension for the year (**strike three**). Coaches may protest the disciplinary action taken in writing to Dave Preller, Director of Minn AAU Girls Basketball AAU
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16. **Three Strike Rule for officials:** When MN AAU has received written notice from coaches or tournament staff concerning unsportsmanlike behavior during 3 games, MN AAU contacts the official involved and places him/her on probation (**strike one**). If 2 additional written notices are posted to the official, the official involved will be suspended for one weekend (**strike two**). The next written notice of unsportsmanlike behavior will result in suspension for the year (**strike three**). Officials may protest the disciplinary action taken in writing to **davidpreller@comcast.net**
17. **Protests:** The judgment of the game officials is final. Protests will be accepted for eligibility issues and rules violations. All protests must be in writing. Email protests to: **davidpreller@comcast.net**

There will be an EMT on site in the event of major injuries. Basic first aid and care of athletes (including ankle/wrist taping) is the responsibility of each team.