

ARTICLE 8 BASKETBALL

- 8.1 Each individual player must be a member of the team that they participate with in T.A.A.F. championship play (regional or state tournaments) by February 1st. No Player signed after February 1st will be eligible to compete in regional or state tournaments.
- 8.2 Adult basketball teams registered after January 31st will not be eligible for the current year's regional and state basketball tournaments. Adult basketball teams registering after January 31st will be eligible to participate in the following year's regional and state basketball tournaments.
- 8.3 In order for a team to be eligible for T.A.A.F. playoffs, the team may not have a player compete with the team during the current season if:
- .01 The player is still registered in the same college, university or junior college after January 1 (current season), where the player was a member of any basketball squad or team. This rule does not include P. E. classes or intramural participation;
OR
 - .02 The player was a member of a military basketball squad or team playing an off-base schedule during the current season.
- 8.4 The host city shall have the privilege of entering a host team when hosting regional or state tournaments.
- 8.5 The state tournament shall be twenty-four (24) teams or less, single elimination with a consolation bracket.
- .01 There will not be an "extra" game played to determine third place, both semi-finalist will receive a semi-finalist team trophy.
- 8.6 The Men's Industrial and 35 & Over Tournaments shall be invitational tournaments with up to a thirty two (32) team bracket.
- 8.7 Prior to the state tournament, a "draw" will be conducted by the state commissioner to determine each team's place in the bracket
- 8.8 RULES: Current NCAA rules will be used with these exceptions:
- .01 GAME CLOCK: An official game shall consist of two (2) twenty minute halves with a running clock for the first eighteen (18) minutes of each half.
 - a) A running clock stops for only free throws and time-outs.
 - b) A NCAA regulation clock will be used the last two (2) minutes of each half.
 - c) A regulation clock will stop for all whistles the last two minutes of each half and each successful field goal in the last minute of the second half or overtime period.
 - .02 HALF TIME: A five (5) minute half time will be observed.
 - .03 TIME OUTS: Each team will be allowed four (4) one (1) minute time-outs and two (2) thirty second timeouts per game.
 - .04 OVERTIME: Each overtime will consist of a three (3) minute period with the clock stopping for all whistles during the entire period. Each team will be given one (1) extra time-out.
 - .05 Jerseys & Numbers: Players on each team must wear jerseys that are identical in the base color of the jersey and must have a six (6) inch number on the back and a four (4) inch number on the front.
 - a) Legal basketball numbers only are permitted – 0 or 00, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55

- b) Numbers must be permanently affixed to the jersey, not taped or pinned to the jersey.
- c) Numbers that are hand written in pencil, marker, or any type of ink pen will not be allowed

.06 Point Ahead Rule: A point ahead rule of (20) twenty points will be used in all adult basketball games.

- a) If a team is ahead by (20) twenty points, the clock will not stop except for injuries and time-outs until the team ahead is ahead by less than (20) twenty points.
- b) Like the rest of the game, the clock can be stopped by a time-out.

.07 SHOT CLOCK: A shot clock will not be in effect for any T.A.A.F. Regional or State Basketball Tournament.

.08 THREE POINT FIELD GOAL: The three point field goal rule will be in effect for all T.A.A.F. State Tournaments. T.A.A.F. will utilize the three-point line that is 19 feet, 9 inches from the center of the goal as the official distance for three-point field goals in all state tournaments.

.09 All basketball rules covered on these pages shall apply to both regional and state tournaments for each specific basketball division.

8.9 STATE TOURNAMENT DATES: Effective with the bids for the 2009 state basketball tournaments, each state basketball tournament will be held on the specified weekend. State basketball tournament bids that contain proposed dates that are not in accordance to the following schedule will not be accepted. The schedule of T.A.A.F. state basketball tournaments will be as follows:

- .01 The Men's 35 & Over State Invitational Tournament will be held the last full or partial weekend of February (which may include March 1 when it falls on Sunday).
- .02 The Men's Major State Tournament will be held on the first full weekend of March (first weekend that both Saturday and Sunday fall in March).
- .03 The Men's Six foot and Under and the Women's Major State tournaments will be held on the second full weekend of March.
- .04 All Boys' and Girls' Winter State Basketball Tournaments in addition to the Men's Industrial State Invitational Tournament will be held on the third full weekend of March.
- .05 The Men's Church State Tournament will be held on the fourth full weekend of March.
- .06 The High School Summer Championship will be held at a date to be determined and that will be in compliance with eligibility rules of the U.I.L.

ARTICLE 9 MEN'S BASKETBALL
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9.1 MAJOR & 6 FT. AND UNDER

- .01 The regular playing roster shall not exceed twelve (12) players including a playing manager.
- .02 A 6' and Under team must consist of players who do not exceed 6' or 72 inches in height.

9.2 35 & OVER (STATE INVITATIONAL)

- .01 The regular playing roster shall not exceed twelve (12) players including a playing manager.
- .02 Eligible players must be 35 years of age or over within the calendar year of the state tournament.

- .03 Players must provide pictured identification (with birth date indicated) when requested by a tournament official prior to and/or during regional and state competition.

9.3 45 & OVER (STATE INVITATIONAL)

- .01 The regular playing roster shall not exceed twelve (12) players including a playing manager.**
- .02 Eligible players must be 45 years of age or over within the calendar year of the state tournament.**
- .03 Players must provide pictured identification (with birth date indicated) when requested by a tournament official prior to and/or during regional and state competition.**

9.4 MEN'S CHURCH

- .01 The regular playing roster shall not exceed twelve (12) players including a playing manager.
- .02 The Men's Church playing rules are the same as the Men's Major playing rules except for player eligibility (see General Regulations - Church Section).
- .03 A player may play on his church team as well as any other non-church (open) team, provided he meets the eligibility requirements to participate on his church team stated in Article 5, Church Sports.

9.5 MEN'S INDUSTRIAL (STATE INVITATIONAL)

- .01 The regular playing roster shall not exceed twelve (12) players including a playing manager.
- .02 Eligible Teams
 - a) All players must be full time employees of one company, of one city or county government, or of one military installation and must have competed together during the current season of play.
 - b) Players who do not meet the resident rule including residents of Border States and Mexico may participate for their industrial team if they were current employees as stated above.
 - c) A player may play on his industrial team as well as any other non-industrial (open) team, providing he meets the eligibility requirements to participate on his industrial team.

ARTICLE 10 WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

- 10.1** The regular playing roster shall not exceed thirteen (13) players including a playing manager.
- 10.2** Current NCAA rules will be used.

ARTICLE 11 WHEELCHAIR BASKETBALL

- 11.1** Current National Wheelchair Basketball Association (NWBA) rules will govern qualifying and state tournament play.
- 11.2** Teams may register independently with the state commissioner through sanctioned league play.
- 11.3** Tournament will be open to any T.A.A.F. registered wheelchair team.