



# "Hoop Shoot" Rules 2009-2010

1. Director must set the time, date and place for the contest. All participants should be notified accordingly so there will be no misunderstanding as to any of the above.

**THE CONTESTANTS MUST BE PRESENT AND READY TO PARTICIPATE AT THE TIME THEIR AGE CATEGORY CONTEST IS STARTED. IN NO CASE MAY A CONTESTANT SHOOT BEFORE OR AFTER THE DESIGNATED TIME SET BY THE DIRECTOR. PENALTY WILL BE DISQUALIFICATION.**

2. Shooting positions will be drawn randomly. The method is left to the discretion of the Director.

3. All contestants should be allowed ten minutes to warm up and get acquainted with the floor and basket under the supervision of the contest officials.

4. Each contestant in order of their draw will get five warm up shots, if desired, and then will shoot ten for score. It shall be the duty of the line judge to inform the contestant and the scorers that the contestant is shooting for score. This will be the last audio contact the line judge will have with the contestant. In the event a foul is committed, the line judge will indicate it by signaling a "T" with his hands, signifying a technical foul has been committed. This should be in clear view of the contestant and the three scorers. Scorers should make the notation on their score sheet as a missed shot with a circled "T". Upon completing their warm up shots and ten for score, the contestant will then go to the end of the line or sit on a chair until the remaining contestants have completed their warm ups and ten shots, at which time each will shoot fifteen shots to complete their twenty five for score.

5. Contestants cannot bounce the ball more than four times between shots. Penalty, the shot is void. A free throw is the opportunity give a contestant to score a point from within the free throw circle and

behind the free throw line. A free throw begins when the ball is given to a free thrower at the free throw line. It ends when the try is successful; or is certain the try will not be successful; or when the ball becomes dead.

6. Contestant must stay behind the foul line until the ball has touched the hoop, backboard, or net. Line violations will be the same as indicated in Rule 4. The penalty for this mistake is the loss of a basket if made.

7. Ties will be broken by taking five additional shots in the same shooting order as the regular contest and if still tied, a series of five more shots until the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place is determined in each of the three age groups. All tied shots will be made at the same basket as the previous twenty five.

8. In no way can a tie be broken by a flip of a coin or by drawing straws or in any other manner except by those prescribed in Rule #7.

9. Only contestants, officials and scorers will be allowed on the floor during the contest.

10. There should be three scorers at each basket to record the results on score sheets and they should sit behind the contestants while they are shooting. There should be three officials with striped shirts and they should wear gym shoes. At each basket, there should be one official on each side of the foul line to retrieve the ball which they should throw back to the line official standing by the contestant. The line official should then hand the ball to the shooter. The line official will signal to the scorers, mad or missed shots. **THE DECISION OF THE SCORERS IS FINAL** and no spectators, because of their count, can change the scorers' decision.

11. No flash pictures should be taken of a contestant while shooting for score except by the official photographer designated by the Director.

12. No one should be allowed to sit close to the basket or cause any disturbance while the contestant is shooting. If so the official must stop the contest and clear the area.

13. All persons attending the contest should sit on the side of the gym and maintain complete silence and in no way cause any commotion that will distract the shooter.

14. The basketballs used in the contest should be furnished by the director whose duty is to ensure that regulation size balls, as described are used and the required air pressure (7-9 lbs.) has been check.

15. To start the Contest Boys 8-9 will shoot at one end of the gym and Girls 8-9 should shoot at the other end at the same time.

16. All contestants should maintain silence and in no way cause any commotion that will intentionally distract a shooter. Taunting or purposely distracting a shooter as determined by the contest director will result in disqualification of the offending contestant.

#### AGE

Contestants age groups will be determined by their age as of APRIL 1, 2010.

#### DIVISIONS & AGE CATEGORIES

Boys age 8-9\*

Girls age 8-9\*

Boys age 10-11

Girls age 10-11

Boys age 12-13

Girls age 12-13

\*Boys and Girls in the 8-9 Age Category may shoot four feet in front of the regulation Foul Line.

#### BOYS BASKETBALL

In the 8-9 boys age division the 28.5 size basketball will be used at all levels of competition.

In the 10-11 and 12-13 age divisions, a regulation size official basketball.

#### GIRLS BASKTEBALL

A regulation size girls official basketball 28.5 in circumference will be used in all age divisions and all levels of competition.

All basketballs will have 7-9 lbs. Of air with channels and/or seams not to exceed 1/4 inch in width.

A leather ball will be used in all State, Regional and National Contests.

#### Elks National Free Throw Contest

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