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**OFFICIAL TOURNAMENT RULES
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DOWNTOWN LANSING**

TOURNAMENT PHILOSOPHY

The Moneyball 3on3 Basketball Tournament is committed to providing a competitive, organized, and family-friendly experience for players of all ages. Our goal is to grow the game of basketball, strengthen our community, and create an event that players, families, and fans look forward to every summer. We ask every player, coach, parent, and spectator to compete with passion, respect the game, and represent themselves, their teammates, their families, and the Moneyball 3on3 with class.

Thank you for being a part of the Moneyball 3on3 Basketball Tournament. We wish every team the best of luck and hope you enjoy the experience. The Only Way To Ball!

WELCOME / SPORTSMANSHIP

Welcome to the 10th Annual Moneyball 3on3 Basketball Tournament.

Our goal is to provide a first-class basketball experience that is competitive, organized, family friendly, and fun for everyone involved.

Unsportsmanlike conduct, abusive language, or inappropriate behavior directed toward players, coaches, officials, staff, or spectators will not be tolerated. Depending on the severity of the incident, individuals may receive a warning, be removed from the venue, or be disqualified from the tournament.

Each team is required to provide one scorekeeper for every game.

The Tournament Director has final authority on all rulings.

REGISTRATION

Friday Early Registration - Friday, July 31 - 5 pm – 8 pm - Moneyball Headquarters - 927 W. Saginaw St. Lansing, MI 48915

All players are encouraged to attend Friday Early Registration to help reduce Saturday morning check-in times.

During Friday registration teams may:

- Check in their entire team
- Receive reversible jerseys
- Receive wristbands
- Verify roster information
- Ask tournament questions.

Saturday On-Site Registration - Begins at 8:15 am on site.

All teams that did not attend Friday Early Registration must check in before their first scheduled game.

Every player must:

- Present a valid ID
- Sign a liability waiver
- Receive an official tournament wristband

Players under 18 must have a parent or guardian sign the liability waiver.

AGE DIVISIONS

Players compete based on AGE, not grade level.

Age is determined as of August 1, 2026.

Male & Female Divisions

- 10U
- 11-12
- 13-14
- 15-16
- 17-18
- Open Men's
- Open Women's
- 35 & Over

PLAYER ELIGIBILITY

- Maximum of four players per team.
- Players may only appear on one roster.
- Identification is required at registration.
- Players who falsify age or registration information may be disqualified.
- Every player must wear their official tournament wristband throughout the tournament.
- Players who have graduated high school are only eligible for the Open Men's, Open Women's, or 35 & Over Division.

IDENTIFICATION

Identification is required for every player.

Acceptable identification must include the player's date of birth.

PLAYER SUBSTITUTIONS

Player substitutions must be completed no later than team registration.

The substitute player must be eligible for the same age division as the player being replaced.

PRE-GAME / SCHEDULING

- Teams should report to their assigned court at least 15 minutes before their scheduled game time.
- The official tournament schedule and brackets posted by the Tournament Director shall serve as the official game schedule.
- Games must begin on schedule.
- Teams not ready to play 10 minutes after their scheduled game time will forfeit the game.
- Teams may begin and finish games with any number of players.
- All teams are guaranteed three games.
- Bracket seeding is determined by pool play record with point differential serving as the tiebreaker.
- There is no loser's bracket.
- Only scheduled teams may occupy the court.
- Every team must provide one scorekeeper.
- One team keeps the official scoresheet.
- The opposing team operates the flip scoreboard.
- Both scorekeepers should verify the final score before the winning team submits the completed scoresheet to the Moneyball Registration Tent.
- The winning team must immediately return the completed scoresheet to the Moneyball Registration Tent.
- Dunking is only permitted during games in the Open Men's and Open Women's divisions. No dunking is permitted during warmups.

TIMEOUTS & SUBSTITUTIONS

- One timeout per team per game.
- Players may substitute during any dead ball.
- Officials may stop play for injuries.

LIVE BALL / DEAD BALL

- Coin flip determines opening possession.
- Possession changes after every made basket.
- Jump balls belong to the defense.
- All check-ins occur at the top of the court.
- All fouls, violations, and out-of-bounds plays restart at the top of the court.
- The ball must be cleared beyond the take-back line after every change of possession.

SCORING

- Baskets inside the arc are worth 1 point.
- Baskets behind the arc are worth 2 points.
- The first team to reach 15 points wins unless the 20-minute time limit expires first.
- Teams must win by 2 points.
- Maximum score is 20 points.
- If tied after 20 minutes, the game will be decided by Sudden Death Free Throws.

FREE THROWS

Shooting Fouls

A player fouled while shooting has two options.

Option 1 – Traditional Free Throw

- Attempt one free throw.
- If the free throw is made, the opposing team receives possession.
- If the free throw is missed, the offensive team retains possession.

Option 2 – Moneyball Two-Point Shot

Instead of attempting a free throw, the player may choose to attempt one shot from behind the two-point line.

- If the shot is made, it counts as 2 points.
- If the shot is missed, the opposing team receives possession.

The player must clearly communicate their decision to the referee before the ball is put back into play.

Once a decision has been made, it cannot be changed.

TEAM FOULS

- All non-shooting fouls are checked at the top of the court.
- Beginning with the seventh team foul, the offensive team will shoot a 1-and-1 bonus.

Sudden Death Free Throws

If the score is tied at the end of regulation:

- Each team will select one player to shoot a free throw.
- If one player makes the free throw and the other misses, that team wins.
- If both players make or both players miss, additional players will shoot one free throw each until a winner is determined.
- Each player may shoot only once until every player currently on the court has had an opportunity to shoot.

OTHER IMPORTANT RULES

- Players with blood on their body or uniform must leave the game until properly treated.
- Jewelry, hats, bandanas, and hard casts are prohibited during play.

WRISTBANDS

Every player must wear their official tournament wristband throughout the tournament.

Players are expected to keep their wristband on for both tournament days.

No Wristband = No Play.

Lost wristbands should be reported immediately to the Moneyball Registration Tent.

Replacement wristbands are not guaranteed and will only be issued at the discretion of the Tournament Director.

AWARDS

Championship teams in each division will receive four Moneyball Championship Chains.

WEATHER

Unsafe weather conditions may result in delayed games, schedule changes, shortened games, or tournament cancellation.

TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR AUTHORITY

The Tournament Director reserves the right to interpret, modify, and enforce all tournament rules. All Tournament Director decisions are final.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Can I play on two teams?

No. Players may only participate on one team during the tournament.

Can we add a player on Sunday?

No. Rosters are final once registration has been completed.

What happens if we're late?

Teams not ready to play 10 minutes after their scheduled game time will forfeit the game.

Who keeps score?

Each team is responsible for providing one scorekeeper for every game.

Who turns in the scoresheet?

The winning team must return the completed scoresheet to the Moneyball Registration Tent immediately following the game.

What if I lose my wristband?

Report to the Moneyball Registration Tent immediately. Replacement wristbands are not guaranteed and will only be issued at the discretion of the Tournament Director.

Who do I contact if I have questions during the tournament?

Visit the Moneyball Registration Tent where a member of the tournament staff will be available to assist you.