



Rookie Razz Rules & Regulations: Kindergarten - 2nd Grade

1. **The Rookie Razz is on Friday only. Games commence in the morning.** Games will consist of two 10-minute halves (player substitutions may be made as needed).
2. **Basket Height and Ball Size:** Basket height will be 8 feet and ball size 28.5.
3. Start game with a coin toss or rock/paper/scissors, then in-bound the ball from the backcourt line.
4. Man on man defense should be set up so children are playing against players with similar skill levels. Emphasize playing between the person with the ball and the basket. Also, hands up, move your feet and no reaching!
5. **Checked Ball:** The ball must be checked by an opposing player before the ball is put into play.
6. Each possession must start with at least one pass after the ball has been checked in.
7. Defense may pick off the offensive player after the ball crosses the backcourt line.
8. No stealing allowed when a player is dribbling the ball (passes may be intercepted, and the ball may be taken if a player loses control of the dribble).
9. **Time-outs:** Each team is allowed two 30 second time-outs per game. The clock will stop for the timeouts.
10. **Change of Possession:** The ball will change possession after a basket is scored.
11. **Taking it Back:** The ball will be "taken back" regardless of whether a shot was attempted.
12. **Ball out of Bounds:** A ball out of bounds will be taken out from the backcourt line.
13. **Jump Ball:** In a jump ball situation, alternating possession will be used.
14. **Fouls:** Fouls will result in a change of possession and will be taken out from the backcourt line (remind children to keep hands up, move their feet, and no reaching).
15. Players may carry or dribble the ball, but once they stop moving, they will need to pass or shoot the ball. Obviously, we will be more lenient with the younger children and enforce a little more with the older players.
16. All players should get equal playing time during each game. Alternate players taking the ball out of bounds and try to allow all players shooting opportunities.
17. No score will be kept!

*The purpose of 3on3 basketball at this age level is to teach children that team sports can be fun! We also want to teach the fundamentals of basketball (dribbling, passing, shooting), the difference between offense and defense, respect for others, and teamwork. **HAVE FUN AT THE ROOKIE RAZZ!***

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