

City of Stockton
Community Services Department
Citywide Adult Sports

Basketball League Rules



LEAGUE DIRECTOR
Recreation Supervisor,
Brandt Evans

LEAGUE OFFICE LOCATION
Stribley Community Center
1760 East Sonora Street
Stockton, Ca 95205
Phone: (209) 937-5544

OFFICE HOURS
Tuesday-Friday 9 a.m.- 5 p.m., closed 12-1 p.m.

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COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

MEN'S - WOMEN'S BASKETBALL LEAGUE RULES

LEAGUES:

1. Community Services Adult Sports Division is overseen by the League Director.
2. The League Director shall determine the number, variety and type of leagues.
Teams may request league preference and night when they register; however the League Director shall determine placement of a team. League placement of returning teams and teams made up of players living in the City of Stockton will be given priority over new teams and teams with players living outside city limits.
3. Registration Fees will be determined each year by the City of Stockton.
4. Teams who can only play a certain night must be willing to adjust to the caliber of the league to which they are assigned.

REGISTRATION PROCEDURES:

1. NO HOLDS. All teams will be accepted on a first come, first served basis.
2. Player fee of \$20 is due per team, per sport, per year.
3. **All league fees are due with the completed registration form and minimum of eight player fees during the designated time period.** Postdated checks will not be accepted.
4. We accept company checks, cashier checks, money orders, cash, and MasterCard or Visa.
5. Registrations will be accepted by mail or in person at the Stockton Community Services office (the League Office) located at 1760 East Sonora Street, Stockton, CA 95205.
6. Teams will be subject to a withdrawal fee if withdrawing after the registration deadline. Once the schedules are made, there are no refunds.

SCHEDULES

1. Schedules will be created after close of registration.
2. Schedules are final and will not be changed.
3. Schedules will be balanced as much a possible, giving each team an equal number of games at each time slot.
4. Special requests for game times will not be considered.

ELIGIBILITY OF TEAMS & PLAYERS

1. **Minimum eligibility requirements:**
 - **18 years of age**
 - **Signed the Official Roster form or add/drop form**
 - **Must play in at least two league games in order to be eligible for playoffs.**
2. Teams may carry a maximum of 12 players on its roster including the manager, providing he/she is a player manager.
3. Teams must submit a completed Official Roster form with correct name (printed and signed),

- address, zip code and telephone number of all players. Form must be on file in League Office.
4. It is the manager's responsibility to keep all team information current.
 5. An Ineligible Player is any player who is: not on the roster or not on an add/drop or playing under an assumed name.
 6. Players are required to present a photo ID upon request of scorekeeper. Failure to present ID will make the player ineligible for that game.

MANAGER/PLAYER/SPECTATOR CONDUCT

The City basketball league is a recreational league. Our goal is to provide a positive experience to all. Inappropriate behavior will not be tolerated.

1. The manager shall be the official team representative.
2. It is the manager's responsibility to notify the League Director of any change of address or phone number.
3. Managers shall be responsible for informing their players and spectators of the City of Stockton Code of Conduct. Managers are responsible for the conduct of all their players and **spectators**.
4. Participants compete at their own risk and are not covered by the City of Stockton for personal and/or property damage.
5. Proper conduct of players and managers is important at all times and conduct rules remain in effect at all times at game facilities. **Unsportsmanlike behavior will not be tolerated before, during and after games.**

RULES:

All misconducts and player disciplinary issues will be communicated to the team manager. Managers will be responsible for player compliance.

1. The manager or coach of a team is responsible for the actions of their spectators. Teams are responsible and will be disciplined for the misconduct of their spectators.
2. Dunking is permitted at certain locations. Team managers are responsible for asking the Games Manager if dunking is allowed at that particular facility. If dunking is allowed during the game, note that **dunking is not allowed during warm up time. Grabbing and/or holding the rim is not allowed at anytime at any facility.** This is a technical foul the first time; the second time will result in ejection of player.
3. Unsportsmanlike and all technical fouls result in three points awarded to the other team and the ball out of bounds.
4. Two unsportsmanlike or flagrant technical fouls will cause a player to be ejected from the game. Three unsportsmanlike or flagrant technical fouls will cause the termination of the game and immediate suspension from further play until the case has been reviewed by the League Director. If ejected for unsportsmanlike conduct, the player will be subject to "Actions" explained in the "Code of Conduct." Any foul or abusive language, "trash" talk, or verbal intimidation will receive a technical foul for unsportsmanlike conduct.
5. **Matching Jerseys or T-shirts, no cut shirts allowed. Legal numbers ending in 0- 9 on shirts are required. Numbers must be eight inches or larger, and must be a clearly visible color in contrast to shirt color.** A three-shot technical will be given to the opposing team for each player not in compliance. Technical fouls will be issued prior to the start of each game. If both teams receive technical fouls, the game will begin with a jump ball. If one team receives a technical foul, the other team will receive the ball to start the game. These technical fouls will not count towards expulsion.

6. Placing a hand on the backboard (slapping to vibrate) to gain an advantage is a technical foul.
7. Technical fouls for unsportsmanlike conduct count towards the five personal fouls and expulsion.
8. No loose jewelry may be worn during games, including all earring, necklaces, bracelets, rings, etc.
9. Teams are required to bring their own basketball for warm-up.
10. The three-point scoring system will be used. The rule will be interpreted as in the current High School Federation Rulebook.
11. Game will consist of two 20-minute halves with five minutes between halves. All games will be running clock with the following exceptions:
 - a. Official or team timeout
 - b. Loose ball - away from immediate area
 - c. Injuries
 - d. Last two minutes of each half stopped clock for all dead ball incidents.
12. **Tie Games**
Overtime will be a three (3) minute total time. The first two (2) minutes will be running clock and the remaining (1) one minute will be a stop clock on dead ball. For games still tied after the first overtime, game will be declared "Sudden Death" and the first team to score one or more points in "Sudden Death" will be declared the winner.
13. **Forfeit Time**
There will be a ten (10) minute grace period only on the first game of the night; thereafter game time is forfeit time. A team may play with no less than four (4) players.
14. **Mercy Rule**
In the interest of maintaining a positive experience, official games will be stopped if a team is winning by 30 points when five (5) minutes or less remain in the game.
15. **Play Offs**
Playoffs will be held in each league to determine league champions.
Top four teams will advance to the playoffs.
16. **Awards**
Championship t-shirts will be given to each player on the championship team. Maximum of twelve (12) T-shirts will be awarded to the winning team.

Note: The City of Stockton is not liable for any damages resulting from an errant ball.

**For further information please call Recreation Supervisor Brandt Evans
(League Director) at (209) 937-8264.**

ADULT SPORTS CODE OF CONDUCT

The City of Stockton is committed to providing safe and enjoyable programs. Therefore, participants in the adult sports program are held to a standard of behavior. Games managers and league director will administer these standards. A “no tolerance” policy is instituted for unsportsmanlike behavior.

This document is a guideline and the league director has the authority to change or modify the offenses and penalties as needed.

OFFENSE	MINIMUM PENALTY	MAXIMUM PENALTY	ACTION TO RECTIFY	PROBATION
Fighting, or verbal or physical abuse of another player, spectator, coach or city employee	Suspension for 1 year.	Lifetime suspension from City sponsored Adult sports leagues.	Serve suspension. Provide league director with written explanation of actions, ensuring future compliance with city rules.	1 year to lifetime
Leaving dugout during an altercation	Player ejection, Team and player 16 day suspension.	1 year suspension	Serve suspension.	1 year to lifetime
Damaging City Property	24 day suspension and financial restitution.	Lifetime suspension from City programs.	Serve suspension. Provide league director with written explanation of actions, ensuring future compliance with city rules.	1 year to lifetime
Verbal abuse or trash talking	Ejection from game, 16 day suspension.	Remainder of League, minimum 3 games.	Serve suspension. Provide league director with written explanation of actions, ensuring future compliance with city rules.	1 year
Rough Tactics	Ejection from game, 8 day suspension.	Remainder of Adult Sports League season.	Serve suspension. Provide league director with written explanation of actions, ensuring future compliance with city rules.	1 year to lifetime
Refusal to obey official’s decision	Ejection from game, 8 day suspension.	Remainder of Adult Sports League season.	Serve suspension.	1 year
Throwing equipment	Ejection from game, 8 day suspension.	Lifetime suspension and possible criminal charges.	Serve suspension.	Remainder of league to lifetime
Alcohol or substance abuse	Forfeiture of game, 8 day suspension for player and coach.	1 year suspension from City programs.	Serve suspension.	1 year from time of suspension
Illegal Players	Forfeiture of game, 8 day suspension.	Forfeiture of game, 16 day suspension to player and coach.	Serve suspension.	1 year
Illegal Bat Use	Ejection from game and “out”. 8 day suspension for player and coach.	For repeat offenses; suspension time increases, up to remainder of year.	Serve suspension.	1 year
Gambling	Probation	Remainder of League	Serve suspension.	1 year

Team Managers are responsible for actions of participants at all times during City of Stockton programs. The term “participant” includes players, coaches and spectators. Offenses will be reviewed by league director and written notice of penalties will be forwarded in a timely manner. **All suspensions will comprise all City facilities and programs, including weekend tournaments and other sports.** All penalties other than lifetime suspension cannot be appealed. Lifetime suspended offenders have an appeal process before the ASA Disciplinary Committee. Written notice of an appeal must be received within 2 weeks of issuance of the suspension to the ASA Commissioner.