

## **Junior Competition Match Rules**

Competition: Juniors U8, U10, U12, U14, U16, U18 & U23

Timing: Two (2) x 18-minute halves.

Time Outs: One (1) time out per team in first half.

Two (2) time outs per team in second half.

No time out allowed in the last 1 minute of first half.

Half Time: Two (2) minute half time break.

Match Clock: Clock stops on all whistles in the final one (1) minute of both halves.

Defence: U8 – "No Zones" rule applies for the entire match.

U10 to U14 - "No Zones" rule applies during the 1st half.

U16 to U23 - No restrictions.

Keyway violation: U8 – no keyway violation.

U10 – U12 – 5 seconds. U14 to U23 – 3 seconds.

Team Fouls: Penalty will be imposed after a team has committed 8 player fouls in a half.

Foul Line: U8 – Super short foul line (inside edge of circle).

U10 to U12 – Short foul line (94cm inside the 'normal' foul line).

U14 to U23 – Normal foul line.

3 Points Field Goals: U8 to U10 – No 3 point field goals.

U12 to U14 – Shorter 3 point line (where line marking is available).

U16 to U23 – Regular 3 point line.

U8 - Lowered to 2.59m (8ft6in).

Ring Height: U10 to U23 – 3.05m(10ft).

Match Ball: U8 – Size 5.

U10 to U14 – Size 6. U16 to 23 Girls – Size 6. U16 to U23 Boys – Size 7.

Ladders & Finals U8 – Modified ladder without percentage.

Finals Participation Matches - 1v2 / 3v4 / 5v6 etc.

U10 to U23 - Points ladder.

Championship Finals – Top 4 teams.

## **Mercy Rule**

A mercy rule is applicable for all junior competitions when a team is leading by 20 points or more:

- a) No zone permitted, and
- b) Must play behind the defensive half court line

The mercy rule ends if the difference becomes 10 points or less and is not applicable during grading matches.