



# **RULES**

## **ROSTERS**

1. Each team must have a minimum of 4 players on the roster max of 6 on check-in roster.
2. No coaches are allowed on the sidelines or in huddles on the court or inside the fences on the upper courts. No coaching from the sidelines or crowd.
3. No one but registered players are allowed in or around the courts on the tennis courts.
4. Players may only appear on one roster within the same division.
  - a) A player may appear on more than one roster as long as they are not in the same division.
  - b) Any scheduling conflicts that result from players appearing on more than one roster are not the responsibility of M3B Tournament officials and may result in loss of playing time or game forfeit if the secondary team does not meet the game eligibility requirements



### TOURNAMENT RULES

1. Each team member's age must fall within the grade/age division.
  - a) Player's grade will be the one he or she will be in the fall of 2023.
  - b) Should any team member cross the grade/age division, the entire team will automatically be placed to play in the older division.
2. Proper identification is required.
  - a) We reserve the right to verify any player's grade. Intentionally providing inaccurate information is grounds for the disqualification of an entire team.
  - b) Each player is encouraged to carry a personal report card with for the most recently completed school term and ID, preferably a valid driver's license for 16 yrs. of age and older.
  - c) Players under 16 must have a copy of a birth certificate or a school id.
  - d) M3B Tournament officials reserve the right to make all judgments on this matter.
  - e) All decisions of M3B Tournament officials are final.
3. Any mixed-gender teams will be required to play in the Boys Division.
4. Divisions and available team slots:
  - a) 6th/7th Grades – Boys/Mixed (mixed gender)
  - b) 6th/7th Grades – if enough girls teams register, girls play in boys/mixed division
  - c) 8th-9th Grades – Boys/Mixed (mixed gender)
  - d) 8th/9th Grades – if enough girls teams register, girls play in boys/mixed division
  - e) 10th/11th Grades – Boys/Mixed (mixed gender)
  - f) 10th/11th Grades – if enough girls teams register girls play in boys/mixed division
  - g) 12th/2016 Graduates – Boys/Mixed (mixed gender)
  - h) 12th/2016 Graduates – if enough girls teams register, girls play in boys/mixed division
  - i) Adult OPEN – (mixed gender)
  - j) Adult 39 and Over – (mixed gender)
5. In the event a low number of teams enter a given bracket, M3B Tournament officials reserve the right to merge brackets.



## M3B Tournament Rules 2023

### GAME TIMING

Teams must be ready to play 30 minutes before their first game and up to 10 minutes prior to assigned all other assigned start times for all other games.

1. Any team that is not ready to play within 5 minutes of the scheduled start time is considered to have forfeited the game. The forfeit score is 16-0.
2. Exceptions to forfeit time will only be permitted in the event that a team is still playing in another M3B tournament game.

#### **Time Limits:**

1. There is a 18-minute time limit.
2. In the event the score is tied, the game will continue until the first team to score wins the game.
3. A 30-second timeout is allowed per game (if time permits).
4. In the final and if necessary, games, One (1) 30-second timeout will be allowed (if time permits).
5. In OT games, each team will have One 15-second timeout, timeouts do not carry over from regular time.

**Overtime** – Game is tied when the clock hits 0:00

1. Coin toss for ball
2. The first team that scores wins
3. No timing
4. Timeouts, as do team fouls, do carry over to OT

At all times, substitutions may be made only during dead ball and timeouts. Players are not required to check in with the referee to make substitutions.



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### POSSESSIONS

- A coin flip will determine game's first possession.
- Jump ball will go to the defense.
- Top, sides, and bottom of the backboard are in-bounds.
- Baseline, sidelines, and midcourt are out-of-bounds.
- Any possession must be passed in from the top of the court.
- The defense must check the ball after all scores, begin game, and timeouts.

After a score, the ball must:

- (1) change possession, and
- (2) be checked by the defense before play begins:  
On every change of possession, the ball must be taken back beyond the 2-point line, both feet, NO EXCEPTION.
- The defensive team will receive the ball up top if a take-back violation occurs.
- Possession does not change after a technical foul free throw.



## M3B Tournament Rules 2023

### FOULS

All fouls and violations are called by referees or by players for divisions without referees. Calls by referees or tournament officials are final.

- Only questions about rule interpretations may require clarification by M3B Tournament Court Leaders.
- Disputes and matters not addressed or clarified in this rule's summary will be settled by applying standard Michigan High School rules.
- Officials, court monitors, and M3B Leaders may call a technical foul due to improper behavior, intentional fouling, hanging on the rim (during or before games), excessive foul language, or any dangerous play.
- A technical foul will result in a free throw followed by possession of the ball by the opponent of the team/player being charged with a foul.
- Players can be asked to sit out by officials, M3B court monitors, or M3B leaders.
- Teams can forfeit games or be removed totally from the tournament for dangerous play or improper behavior by M3B Tournament Leaders.
- Milford police and festival security will be called to remove players and spectators.

### FREE THROWS

A free throw is awarded:

- On and after the 5th team foul, fouled team shoots one free throw.
- When a foul is committed during the act of shooting.

If a foul is committed during the act of shooting and the shot is missed:

- One free throw is awarded for 1-point attempts and two free throws for 2-point attempts.

If a foul is committed during the act of shooting and the shot is made:

- The scoring team is awarded the point(s), and no free throws will be taken unless they are in the bonus.

If a free throw is missed:

- The rebounding team must take the ball back behind the two-point line. (Both feet behind)



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### SCOREKEEPING

Games may be decided at the foul line. All calls are made by M3B officials or by teams themselves, and free throws will be played as outlined above.

- 1 point for every basket scored inside the 2-point line.
- 2 points for every basket scored outside the 2-point line.
- 1 point for each free throw made.

Winning the game:

#### All divisions:

- Regular Scoring: up to 18 (win by 2) or first team to 22 (win by 1)
- Consolation Games Scoring: up to 15 (win by 2) or up to 18 (win by 1)
- Special Note: The Last Chance Bracket will use regular Scoring.
- All games have an 18-minute time limit. When 18 minutes expire, the team-leading wins
- If Tied:

**Overtime** – The game is tied when the clock hits 0:00

- Coin toss for ball
- The first team to score wins.
- No timing.
- Team fouls carry over.
- Timeouts do not – each team gets - One (1) 15-second timeout.



## **M3B Tournament Rules 2023**

# **CONDUCT**

### **IN THE EVENT OF IMPROPER CONDUCT BY PLAYERS OR SPECTATORS.**

M3B Tournament officials, M3B Court Monitors and reserve the right to:

- Call an intentional foul, and the offended team receives one free throw and possession.
- Call a flagrant foul, and the offended team receives one free throw and possession.
- Have a player sit out for a period of time the official or monitor determines.
- Eject the offending player or team for the game and if needed, for the rest of the tournament.
- Stop the game for a period of time, for any reason.
- Shorten the game time.
- Stop the game completely, with one or both teams being removed from the tournament.
- Parents and/or spectators may be asked to leave the premises for improper conduct.
- Foul language (swearing) is not acceptable in M3B tournament. It is understood that nearly everyone slips up occasionally. Still, please don't make it a habit or loud, or you will find yourself sitting out or getting a technical foul, and you can be ejected from the game and/or tournament.
- Law enforcement monitors all M3B games and is typically at or close to games. At times, they have helped calm people down and, rare times, removed offending players, teams, and spectators. Safety and having a fun atmosphere will always be the MB3's top priority.

## **UNFORESEEN CIRCUMSTANCES**

M3B reserves the right to reduce the number of rescheduled games or to shorten games due to unforeseen circumstances such as foul weather or power interruptions at the determination of the local officials or Milford Memories Committee, or M3B Officials.

In such circumstances, M3B Tournament officials may elect to take a break from the action for a short period, reduce the length of games, or change to a single elimination tournament (if needed).

At check-in, please give a text/phone number for a device monitored during the entire tournament for your division, so M3B can communicate changes, get you to return to courts, and provide weather and scheduling updates.

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