

## Greater Suburban Basketball Association Rules

- 1) Mandatory man-to-man defense at 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade levels. This includes defending inbound plays under the basket. 8<sup>th</sup> grade level is allowed to zone, although man-to-man is strongly encouraged.
- 2) Full court zone or man-to-man press is allowed, however, pressing team must go to man-to-man (for 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> grades) once offensive team crosses half court. Double teams out of man-to-man are permitted.
- 3) No full court press with 15 point OR more lead.
- 4) Three point shots allowed for all levels.
- 5) Game time – 6<sup>th</sup>/7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> are 7 minute quarters. Overtime is 3 minutes for 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grades.
- 6) The “Mercy Rule” is 20 points and is only enforced in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter. Once the “Mercy Rule” is enforced, a running clock will also be enforced and remain throughout the game’s entirety.
- 7) A player is allowed to “play-up” and participate in games at a grade level higher than they are currently enrolled in. Players are NOT allowed to participate in a grade level lower they are currently enrolled in.
- 8) IHSA rules apply in all other instances.

### Eligibility Requirements

**Age Requirement:** The eligibility date for the 2011 season shall be **December 12, 2010:**

5th Grade players shall not reach their 12th birthday before this date

6th Grade players shall not reach their 13th birthday before this date

7th Grade players shall not reach their 14th birthday before this date

8th Grade players shall not reach their 15th birthday before this date

**Residency:** No player shall be allowed to play if he lives outside of the high school district that his team represents. This rule includes sons of teachers or coaches who work for the district. Each district must enforce this rule to the best of their ability.