

BY-LAW ARTICLE XVI

Basketball Boys and Girls

Sect. 1: Basketball shall be administered by the NHIAA Basketball Committee and the rules of the National Federation will govern the sport when applicable.

Sect. 2: The Committee shall annually approve schedules of teams for tournament competition.

Sect. 3: All basketball schedules are due into the NHIAA office no later than September 15th each year.

Sect. 4: All tournaments, jamborees, festivals and similar competition in basketball must be sanctioned by the Basketball Committee of the NHIAA. All such contests sanctioned by the Committee shall not count on the regular season's record for tournament consideration. No school may enter more than one (1) approved Christmas tournament.

Sect. 5: Pilot beginning with the 2016-17 season with feedback and results to be collected by the Basketball Committee: Varsity athletes may play only six (6) quarters in one (1) day. Participation in a quarter, regardless of time, will be considered one (1) quarter. Overtime is considered as an extension of the fourth quarter. Team scorers are to keep an accurate record of quarters played. Penalty for Violation: Forfeiture of game. For sub-varsity tournaments the Participation Rule does not apply. (CM 5.2016)

Sect. 6: The Basketball Committee, in its approval of all schedules, will be guided primarily by the following:

- A. Each member school may schedule no more than three (3) different NHIAA member schools three (3) games each on their approved annual schedule to the NHIAA Basketball Committee. This applies to out-of-state schools providing they are members of their respective state associations.
- B. Games can neither be added nor deleted from schedules after they have been approved by the NHIAA.

Sect.7: Tournament Selection

The maximum number of teams allowed per By-Law Article IV: Classification; Sect. 10; Tournament Selection Requirements will qualify for the boys and girls tournament. (CM 5.2016)

Sect. 8: Mercy Rule All Divisions

A mercy rule will be in effect for all divisions. Running time will go into effect when a lead of 35 point in the 4th quarter, and stop for free throws and time-outs. Upon reaching the 35 point differential, the clock will remain running for the duration of the period and stop only for time-outs and free throws. Should the point differential drop below 35 point during running time, the clock will continue to run for the remainder of the game. (CM 5.2016)

Sect. 9: In order to be eligible for post-season tournament play, each team must play at least fifty-percent (50%) of its games with New Hampshire schools.

Sect. 10: Awards

Official NHIAA championship and runner-up plaques, in addition to 21 team medals, will be awarded to the respective champion and runner-up teams in each division for boys and girls.

Sect. 11: Interrupted Games

Whenever a game is interrupted because of events beyond the control of the responsible administrative authorities, it shall be continued from the point of interruption unless the principals from both schools agree to terminate the game with the existing score. If the game is to be continued, both officials should sign the official scorebook and note the time on the clock and the period when the game was interrupted. (CM 5.2015)

Sect. 12: Tournament Rosters

Each school will be allowed 21 individuals with no more than 15 of them being players in uniform. The remainder of the roster will include one (1) head coach, three (3) assistant coaches and two (2) managers. Rosters shall be completed via the NHIAA website. If a team is going to make the tournament, a team photo in uniform (no warm-ups and no mascots allowed) must be submitted with a photo lineup. If no photo is received a logo will be supplemented.

Sect. 13: Divisional Alignment

Boys and girls basketball shall be aligned into four (4) divisions based upon enrollments and petitions subject to the approval of the Classification Committee.

2017-18 Boys Basketball Divisional Alignment

DIV. I (1151+)	DIV. II (551-1150)	DIV. III (301- 550)	DIV. IV (1- 300)
19 Schools	22 Schools	24 Schools	22 Schools
Pinkerton 3167	*Timberlane 1240	*Sanborn 686	Farmington 299
Nashua South 1875	Goffstown 1106	*Laconia 590	Epping 277
Nashua North 1748	Man. West 949	Stevens 545	Derryfield 263
Exeter 1741	Milford 857	Monadnock 531	Hinsdale 255
Concord 1714	Windham 851	St. Thomas 527	Newmarket 255
Man. Central 1688	Pembroke 840	Fall Mountain 525	Woodsville 228
Man. Memorial 1583	Souhegan 828	Gilford 510	Littleton 213
Londonderry 1579	Merrimack Valley 823	Campbell 509	Ports. Christian at Dover 204
Bedford 1484	Kennett 819	Prospect Mountain 503	Moultonborough 184
Spaulding 1416	Hollis/Brookline 815	Winnisquam 492	Nute 182
Keene 1388	Kingswood 814	Somersworth 482	Profile 181
Dover 1349	ConVal 794	Raymond 447	Wilton-Lyndeborough 175
Alvirne 1315	Oyster River 715	Berlin 443	Pittsfield 157
Merrimack 1231	Coe-Brown 702	Conant 435	Groveton 141
Salem 1215	Hanover 702	Belmont 428	Sunapee 141
*Winnacunnet 1109	John Stark 700	White Mountains 402	Gorham 137
*Portsmouth 1098	Plymouth 686	Franklin 388	Colebrook 130
*Bishop Guertin 743	Pelham 628	Hillsboro-Deering 387	Canaan/Pittsburg 125
*Trinity 398	Lebanon 609	Newfound 383	Lisbon 119
	Bow 595	Newport 346	Lin-Wood 112
	Kearsarge 566	Mascenic 344	Concord Christian 83
	*Bishop Brady 348	Mascoma 340	Mount Royal 56
		Inter-Lakes 333	
		*Hopkinton 269	

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