

# **Broadmeadows Basketball Association Inc.**

## **Rules for Under 8 Competition**

1. **All teams should endeavor to field a girl/boy combination.**
2. No **(3) three pointers.**
3. Clock **does not** stop during game, except for referee's time outs. (E.g. injuries etc.)
4. **Foul shots (free throws)** are to be taken from the closest point of the free throw line circle to the ring. On a regulation size court this is a distance of 2.8m from the projected line of the backboard.
5. **Five second** rule in offensive key shall apply.
6. Games will be played with a **size (5) five ball.**
7. Each player is permitted **(7) seven fouls.**
8. A player can only be credited with a **maximum of (10) ten points.** Any points scored by a player who has already scored 10 **will not count.**
9. **Travelling** - Travel violation must be called. Three or four steps then dribble is acceptable depending on experience of player.
10. **Double dribble** - dribble, stop and dribble is **not acceptable.**
11. Up to round (5) five, one coach per team is permitted on court to assist players.
12. When a team has a sideline or baseline ball in their back-court, following an out-of-bounds, violation or foul, the opposition shall retreat behind the half-court line. They shall not challenge for the ball until it has crossed the half-court line.
13. Games will have (2) two referees.
14. All other Rules at the current time will remain as per the "Official Basketball Rules", but the Association via the Board of Management reserves the right to add or delete rules as the competition progresses and in the interests of Junior Basketball.
15. **Referees** are encouraged to explain violations when called. Players need to understand that a foul is a penalty. An explanation will encourage players to improve.

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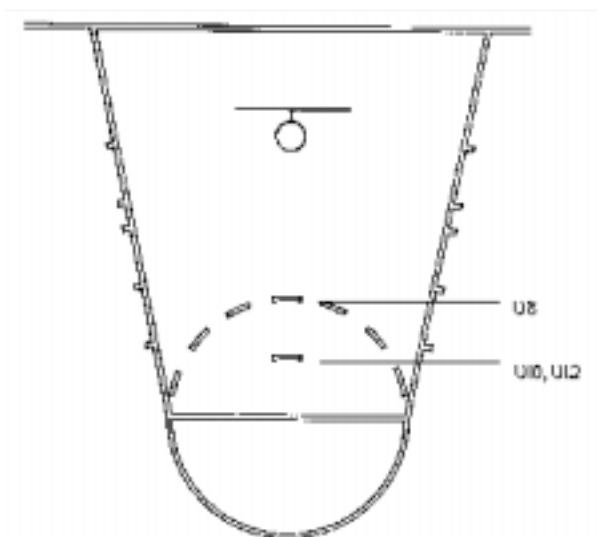
## **Rules Variations for Junior Domestic Age Groups**

### **Ball Sizes**

The following ball sizes shall be used;

U8	Size 5
U10, U12 & U14	Size 6
U16 & U18	Size 7 (full size)

### **Free Throw Line**



Under 8 players can take free throws from the front edge of the circle.

Under 10 and Under 12 players can take free throws from a mark half-way between the regulation free throw line and the front edge of the circle. This line will not always be marked on the court and should be indicated by the referee.

Under 14 and above use the regulation free throw line.

### **Three Second Rule**

For Under 8, Under 10 and Under 12 competition, five seconds in the offensive key is allowed. The regulation 3 seconds is played for Under 14 and above.

### **No Zone Defense**

For Under 10 and Under 12 competition, for the first half of the game only, man-to-man defense must be played. Each player must guard a player of the offensive team. That is, for the first half of the game only, no zone defense is allowed.

After one warning has been given, the penalty is a technical foul on the coach.

This rule applies to domestic home-and-away games only, it does not apply in finals.