



2016 ADULT BASKETBALL CALENDAR

Organizational Meeting	Wednesday, Jan. 13 @ 7:00pm at Girard Park Recreation Center. Registration Packets will be available at the Meeting and at Girard Park beginning Thursday, Jan. 14.
Registration Period/Fees	Thursday, Jan. 14 thru Friday, Jan. 29, 8am – 5pm at Girard Park. \$360.00 fee/team and team card must be turned in to guarantee a spot in a league. NO CASH ACCEPTED. Make out checks to Lafayette Adult Basketball Association.
Late Registration	Monday, Feb. 1 thru Friday, Feb. 5, 2016. Fee of \$360.00 plus a late fee charge of \$36.00 must be turned in to secure a spot in a league. No teams will be accepted after Feb.5, 2016 unless we have an slot available in any league except the Employee League.
Manager's Meeting	Wednesday, Feb. 24 @ 7:00pm at Girard Park. Turn in rosters and pick up schedules.
Season Begins	Friday, February 26, 2016 (Employee League opens play).
Last Day to Add Players	Friday, April 1, 2016
Tie-breakers	TBA (In May)
Play-Offs Begin	TBA (In May)

Questions regarding the Adult Basketball Program may be directed to Danny Cook 291-8380, or Frank Wittenberg 291-8375, or Bill Verret 291-8368

LAFAYETTE ADULT BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION RULES AND REGULATIONS

Adult Basketball will be under the jurisdiction of the Lafayette Adult Basketball Association, together with the Lafayette Recreation and Parks Department. The LABA will establish leagues and playing schedules for the program. The Adult Basketball Coordinator will administer the various leagues.

LEAGUE CLASSIFICATIONS

The Lafayette Adult Basketball Association reserves the right to place teams in specific leagues or categories based on teams past record, players, skills, etc. The three classifications are: Open, Employee and Masters.

PLAYER ELIGIBILITY

1. A player will be ineligible to play during the 2016 season if the individual is:
 - a. Under 18 years of age,
 - b. A college basketball player,
 - c. A high school basketball player,
 - d. A college basketball scholarship player,
 - e. A college basketball red-shirt,
 - f. An active professional basketball player.
2.
 - a. Former professional basketball players are only allowed to play in the highest rated league in the Open Classification for a minimum of 20 years from the date of their retirement, unless approved in writing by the Program Director.
 - b. Former collegiate basketball players may only play in the highest rated league in the Open Classification for a minimum of 10 years from the date their collegiate eligibility expires, unless approved in writing by the Program Director.
 - c. Former professional athletes (in any sport) may play no lower than the C League for a minimum of 10 years from the date of their retirement, unless approved in writing by the Program Director.
 - d. Former college scholarship athletes, in any sport other than basketball, may play no lower than C League for a minimum of 2 years from the date their collegiate eligibility expires, unless approved in writing by the Program Director.
3. A player is eligible to participate on only one team per classification at a time. A player cannot switch to another team with the **same classification** unless specific authorization is given in writing by the Program Director. Under no circumstances will a player be allowed to switch from one team to another in the same league, except in an extremely unusual situation. Once dropped from a team said player cannot be reactivated by the same team.
4. All players must have their name on a team roster sheet in order to be eligible. The use of an individual player not listed on the team roster constitutes an automatic forfeit

upon a written protest by an opposing team at any point during the season. A \$20.00 protest fee must accompany the letter of protest.

5. An entry fee in the amount of \$360.00 must be turned in to the Recreation Department office with your team registration card beginning on Thursday, January 14 and ending on Friday, January 29, 2016. Please make checks payable to the Adult Basketball Association. Checks or Money Orders are the only form of payment accepted. **NO CASH!!!** The Recreation Department offices are open Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
6. There is a 10% penalty fee (minimum of \$10.00) for an NSF check. Check is to made good along with penalty in cash.
7. To be eligible for any playoff games, a player's name must appear on his teams' roster by 5:00 p.m. Friday, April 1, 2016 and he must participate in at least half of his/her regular season games.
8. **Employee League** – if employee league teams get a sponsor other than their own company, then all players on this team must receive the largest portion of their income from the same company.

If a player in the employees league holds down a full time job with one company and a part-time job with another company, his full time or basic job shall be the factor in declaring eligibility, regardless of pay. If a player has two part-time jobs the factor determining eligibility will be the job from which he receives the largest portion of his income.

A player ceases to be eligible for the employees' league when he terminates his employment with the company and cannot be held liable by the company. The allowance of two weeks' severance pay or two weeks annual leave at the time of the termination does not qualify a player for that period. Exception: Employees laid off after registration will be eligible for the season.

9. Team using players not on their roster shall automatically forfeit any game in which said players participates. The manager who allows a player not on his roster to participate and the player who knowingly plays illegally will be suspended immediately and indefinitely. The length of the suspension and date of reinstatement shall be based upon the recommendation of the Advisory Board or Recreation Department.

TEAM ROSTERS

1. Teams in the Employee League will have unlimited rosters due to working schedules. All other leagues will be limited to 15 players, including a player coach.
2. The roster is due prior to the first game and must include the Name, Address, Driver's License Number, Birth date, Phone Number and Signature of each player. Players will not be considered eligible until all information is received by the Recreation and Parks Department. Teams will be required to forfeit any game in which an ineligible player participates.

3. Changes in rosters may be made by filling out an addition/deletion card at Girard Park. Cards must be completed before 5:00 p.m. on the day of your scheduled game. Players are not eligible for play until an addition/deletion card is completed and received by the Recreation and Parks office.
4. Once a player is dropped from a roster he/she may not be added again. Deadline to add a player is Friday, April 1, 2016.

ADULT BASKETBALL PLAYING RULES

All games will be played according to the Official High School rules except to local provisions stated herein.

1. League teams must have standard uniforms, consisting of numbered jerseys. All jerseys must be the same color. No two players on any team may wear the same number. Players not complying to team's uniform will not be allowed on the floor to play in the game unless approved by the two officials. Absolutely no street clothes allowed. If knee braces are worn, braces must be padded.
2. Halves will be sixteen minutes in all leagues, with a five minute halftime.
3. Overtime period shall be two minutes. After two such periods have been played and if the game remains tied, a sudden death overtime will be played. The first team to score wins.
(Sudden Death will not be used during playoff games.)
4. A team may begin and/or continue play with four (4) players. Any number less than four (4) constitutes a forfeit.
5. Teams must be ready to begin play at the scheduled starting time. There will be no waiting period to get a sufficient number of players to begin play. A team will forfeit if it is not ready to play at the scheduled starting time.
6. Forfeiture of game may be made in accordance with the rules of forfeiture or if a team does not have a sufficient number of players to begin play. A team will forfeit if it is not ready to play at the scheduled starting time.
7. A team forfeiting three (3) games during the season may be dropped from the program, resulting in the loss of entry fee.
8. The officials will grant at least ten (10) minutes to warm up prior to beginning play in the event that a game is delayed by an earlier overtime game.
9. When a technical foul is called on a player or the team bench, two (2) team points will be awarded on the scorebook for the opposing team. No free throws will be taken on technical fouls. Technical fouls will be awarded as a team foul and/or personal foul.
10. If at any time during the second half of the game a team gains a 25 point advantage over its opponent, the clock will run continuously from that time onward. Time outs will not stop the clock once a 25 point advantage is reached in the second half. If the team that is behind reduces the deficit to 10 points or less the clock will return to normal operating procedures.
11. Any player ejected from a game by a referee for any reason will be ineligible to play in his team's next game. If he participated in said game, it will be an automatic forfeit. If any player or non-playing coach is ejected from either his team's final game of the regular season or any playoff game or receives a second ejection during the current

season, he will receive a suspension that is deemed appropriate by the Adult Basketball Coordinator. This suspension may range from one (1) game to forever.

PLAYER CONDUCT

1. Any player, coach or manager who physically strikes or in any way harms or causes harm to a program supervisor, a game official, scorer, timekeeper or a participant either on the playing area or in the vicinity of the playing area before, during or after a game will be removed from further participation in this program. Depending on the seriousness of the offense, the Lafayette Adult Basketball Association may remove the player and/or the team from the program for the remainder of the season or for one calendar year or forever.
2. Any unsportsmanlike conduct by players, coaches, managers or teams will be dealt with accordingly.
3. All program participants are adults and are expected to behave as adults at all times. Do not jeopardize either your own or your teams future in the program by your behavior.
4. The Lafayette Adult Basketball Association may take any action it deems necessary in order to insure proper conduct of anyone who chooses to participate in this program.

PROTESTED GAMES

1. There will be **NO** protest allowed on a judgment call by the officials. The only protests that will be looked into will be the eligibility of a player or a rule application. The burden of proof is the responsibility of the protesting team.
2. **Protest Procedures**
 - a. The protesting team must inform the game officials of which rules application or which player's eligibility they are protesting.
 - b. Game officials will make note on the score sheet the type of protest, which half, the time on the clock, the score and whose advantage, and the name of the designated team captain or manager making the protest.
 - c. The game will continue as normal once all of the information is collected.
 - d. The protesting team must file a written protest to the Lafayette Adult Basketball Association and LRPD by 5:00 p.m. the following business day.
 - e. If any step of the protest procedure is not completed fully, the protest will not be considered and the final game score will be recorded as official.
3. The Lafayette Adult Basketball Association will serve as the Protest and Grievance Committee and will rule on all protests and disciplinary problems encountered in the program. There will be no appeal of their decision.

There is no insurance carried on the participants in this program. All participants in this program do so at their own risk. Neither the Lafayette Consolidated Government nor the Lafayette Adult Basketball Association can be held responsible for any injury to players, officials or coaches during the season.

IF ANYONE BELIEVES HE OR SHE HAS BEEN SUBJECTED TO DISCRIMINATION ON THE BASIS OF RACE, COLOR OR NATIONAL ORIGIN HE OR SHE MAY FILE A COMPLAINT ALLEGING DISCRIMINATION WITH EITHER THE LAFAYETTE RECREATION AND PARKS DEPARTMENT OR THE OFFICE OF EQUAL OPPORTUNITY, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, WASHINGTON, D.C.

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