

# **MOTOWN SHOWDOWN**

## **Game Rules & Important Information**

1. ALL teams are guaranteed 3 games – pool play & bracket format.
2. Teams will be placed in bracket style format after completion of pool play.
3. Length of Game - Games will be 20-minute running halves for grade 9-11 games and 18-minute running halves for grade 3-8 games. There will be stopped time the last 2 minutes of each half. If the lead reaches 20 or more points, the clock will run through the last 2 minutes of each half. If the clock is stopped during a free throw situation, it will restart when the ball becomes live; not when the ball is handed to the shooter.
4. No full court pressing by the team that is in the lead if the lead reaches 20 points.
5. 2 foul shots and possession of the basketball will be awarded to the non-violating team for any technical, flagrant, and/or intentional fouls. If a player or coach is assessed two of these fouls, they are removed from the game and must leave the gym.
6. Time Outs - Each team will receive three 30-second timeouts per game (this includes any overtime periods).
7. Overtime - All overtime periods will be 2-minutes. No extra timeouts will be given for overtime periods.
8. Pool play tie breakers if same records – Tie breakers will be determined by the following methods if records of teams are the same:
  - a. Record of teams head-to-head.
  - b. Point differential from wins and losses will be added together, with a maximum of 15 points being counted from each win and the full point total of each loss counting. The team with the greater point differential in total games will be the tiebreaker winner.
9. Warm-up and halftime are minimum 3 minutes. More time may be added to warm-up if available.
10. Basketball Size – Boys grades 3-6 will use women's ball size (28.5"). Grades 7 and up will use regulation ball size (29.5") – AAU NATIONAL RULE. All girls grades will use women's ball size (28.5").
11. Foul Shots - Grades 3-4 will shoot foul shots from 12 ft. foul line. Grades 5 and up will shoot foul shots from regulation foul line.
12. 7 team fouls will result in shooting of bonus (1-&-1). 10 team fouls will result in shooting of double bonus (2 shots). Any individual player with 5 personal fouls in a single game will be disqualified for remainder of that game.
13. EACH TEAM MUST BRING ONE PERSON TO HELP WITH SCOREKEEPING. NO EXCEPTIONS!!
14. Players may play on more than one team in the tournament, so long as they are in different grade level divisions. Players must be on the roster of both teams before their first game. Girls may not play in boys divisions.
15. Tournament director has right to change game site or game time at his/her discretion. Tournament director has right to remove any player, coach, or fan that shows improper behavior.

## Age/Grade Divisions

Age/Grade based divisions shall be used by ALL divisions. Please find your playing division and corresponding ruling for player eligibility.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Grade:** An athlete who is in the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade as of September 1, 2020 and who is no older than 10 on August 31, 2021 is eligible to play in the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade division.

**4<sup>th</sup> Grade:** An athlete who is in the 4<sup>th</sup> grade as of September 1, 2020 and who is no older than 11 on August 31, 2021 is eligible to play in the 4<sup>th</sup> grade division.

**5<sup>th</sup> Grade:** An athlete who is in the 5<sup>th</sup> grade as of September 1, 2020 and who is no older than 12 on August 31, 2021 is eligible to play in the 5<sup>th</sup> grade division.

**6<sup>th</sup> Grade:** An athlete who is in the 6<sup>th</sup> grade as of September 1, 2020 and who is no older than 13 on August 31, 2021 is eligible to play in the 6<sup>th</sup> grade division.

**7<sup>th</sup> Grade:** An athlete who is in the 7<sup>th</sup> grade as of September 1, 2020 and who is no older than 14 on August 31, 2021 is eligible to play in the 7<sup>th</sup> grade division.

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade:** An athlete who is in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade as of September 1, 2020 and who is no older than 15 on August 31, 2021 is eligible to play in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade division.

**9<sup>th</sup> Grade:** An athlete who is in the 9<sup>th</sup> grade as of September 1, 2020 and who is no older than 16 on August 31, 2021 is eligible to play in the 9<sup>th</sup> grade division.

**10<sup>th</sup> Grade:** An athlete who is in the 10<sup>th</sup> grade as of September 1, 2020 and who is no older than 17 on August 31, 2021 is eligible to play in the 10<sup>th</sup> grade division.

**11<sup>th</sup> Grade:** An athlete who is in the 11<sup>th</sup> grade as of September 1, 2020 and who is no older than 18 on August 31, 2021 is eligible to play in the 11<sup>th</sup> grade division.

**\*\*\* 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Grade Divisions and/or 10<sup>th</sup>/11<sup>th</sup> Grade Divisions Are Subject to be Combined by Motown Showdown Tournament Director at Their Discretion**