



## 2012 NEAAU New Hampshire Girls Basketball State Tournament Rules



The 2012 NH State Tournaments will play under the 2011-2012 National Federation of State High School Association except where amended by the New England AAU Girls Basketball Committee. We will also use portions for the 2012 AAU Girls Basketball Handbook.

**Dress code:** All Coaches must wear slacks, dress shorts, polo shirts, team shirt or warm up suits. NO Hats or Sandals. – Coaches who **DO NOT** comply will be assessed a “technical foul”

**Bench Coaches:** Teams are allowed 3 coaches per team and they must be on their rosters and all must be AAU members. All coaches must have coach’s credentials and must have them at all games. “BENCH COACHES MUST BE LISTED ON YOUR ROSTER!!”

**ON EACH COURT WILL BE THE “OFFICIAL SCORE SHEETS” These are the OFFICIAL SCORE SHEETS! MUST be used for EACH GAME! NO EXCEPTIONS**

**HOME TEAM: Team listed first or at the TOP of the Bracket and will be RESPONSIBLE as the OFFICIAL SCORER.**

**AWAY TEAM: Team listed second or at the BOTTOM of the Bracket is RESPONSIBLE for the CLOCK.**

**Game time:** Starting time will be enforced to the minute. There is no grace period. Teams will be given a minimum of 3 minute warm-up time. **Halftime:** 3 minutes

**Time:** 4<sup>th</sup> Grade will play (2) 14 minutes halves per game. 5<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> Grade will play (2) 16 minute halves per game. Overtimes shall consist of 3 minute periods.

**Mercy Rule:** 4<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> grade ONLY, the New England New Hampshire Girls State Tournament will use a running clock in the second half when a team is behind by **30 points** or more. Regular rules will return if at anytime the spread falls less than **30 points**. The losing coach may opt to ignore this rule at any time.

**Pressing:** There will be no pressing full court if a team is ahead by 30 points.

**Timeouts:** Teams will have **2 full timeouts** per half to utilize. There will be no carryover of timeouts from halves. 1- full timeout will be permitted per overtime period, no carryover.

**Fouls:** Teams will shoot 1 and 1 on the 7<sup>th</sup> team foul and double bonus on the 10<sup>th</sup> team foul. All foul shots are played on the shooters release.

**Personal fouls:** Individuals will have 5 fouls. On the 5<sup>th</sup> personal foul she will be disqualified.

**Ejections:** Any player or coach ejected from a contest shall sit out the next contest and may be suspended from participating for the remainder of the tournament.

**Tournament Play:** All teams will play 2 pool games and all teams will advance to the first round of bracket play. Head to head play will be the first determination of pool winner. A maximum of 13 point differential will be utilized in determining how to break ties in the pool.

**Protests:** A coach must file a protest within 2 hours of completion of protested contest. This must be in writing and given to the Tournament Director or Girls Basketball Chair. A fee of \$100.00 cash (refunded if protest is upheld) must accompany all protests.

**Awards:** Team trophy will be presented to 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place teams, medals will be presented 1<sup>st</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> place (4<sup>th</sup> Grade will be the ONLY DII qualifier, all the rest of grade will be played according to the rules for DIVISION I DISTRICT QUALIFYING TOURNAMENT criteria)

2012 NH State tournament, this applies. If there is a DIV II designated team is in a grade division with DIV I designated teams and if the DIV II team WINS that Grade grouping, the DIV will be reclassified as a DIV II: **\*\*There will be NO separate awards for D1, D2 or D3\*\***

**Example:**

7<sup>th</sup> Grade – was played with Div 1 teams included but does not finish first place the 7<sup>th</sup> Grade would be reclassified as a Div 2 qualifier, the Division 1 teams would if going to Nationals would be a DIV 2 Qualifier and have to attend the DIV 2 event, UNLESS they attended a SRT and qualified as a DIV 1 team prior to this event.

1<sup>st</sup>) Team A (DIV 2)

2<sup>nd</sup>) Team G (DIV 1)

3<sup>rd</sup>) Team B (DIV 1)

4<sup>th</sup>) Team D (DIV 1)

**National Tournament Qualification Procedure:**

The following Schedule will apply to all District Qualifying Tournaments

**DIVISION I DISTRICT QUALIFYING TOURNAMENT –NH STATE - ALL OTHER GRADES**

**District Finish National Championship**

1st place Division I

2nd place Division I

3rd place Division I or Division II (team's choice)

4th place Division I or Division II (team's choice)

The remaining teams may choose Division II or Division III

\*We will only play out to 4<sup>th</sup> place -- If a district tournament does not play out all places, the names of the teams that didn't place will be put in a hat and drawn out to determine their finish places.

**DIVISION II DISTRICT QUALIFYING TOURNAMENT – NH STATES - 4th GRADE ONLY**

**District Finish National Championship**

1st place Division II

2nd place Division II

3rd place Division II or Division III (team's choice)

4th place Division II or Division III (team's choice)

The remaining teams may advance to Division III

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**COACHES THIS IS GRADE A PLAYER CAN PLAY! - ALSO ATTACHED WILL BE TO PROCEDURES TO GET A WAIVER TO PLAY DOWN A GRADE – MUST BE DONE PRIOR TO THE DQT event and approved by the NATIONAL OFFICE**

**Coaches will need to provide and keep in possession at all times:**

- 1) Roster with AAU numbers, grade, and school listed**
- 2) Copy of 2012 AAU cards for player's and coaches (only coaches listed on your roster is allowed to sit on bench & enter the tournament with no entry fee)**
- 3) Copy of 2011-2012 report card of each player (it should show date of birth, if not we will also need birth certificate or a government providing PROOF OF AGE.**

**Coaches MUST have and keep in their possession:**

**Coaches should have a copy of all of this information for all players (utilized ONLY in the event of a protest)**

**4TH GRADE DIVISION**

An athlete must be in the 4th grade as of October 1, 2011 and can be no older than 11 on August 31, 2012. For an athlete that is in the 5th grade as of October 1, 2011 wanting to petition to play down, in the 4th grade division they can be no older than 10 on August 31, 2012.

**5TH GRADE DIVISION**

An athlete must be in the 5th grade as of October 1, 2011 and can be no older than 12 on August 31, 2012. For an athlete that is in the 6th grade as of October 1, 2011 wanting to petition to play down, in the 5th grade division they can be no older than 11 on August 31, 2012.

**6TH GRADE DIVISION**

An athlete must be in the 6th grade as of October 1, 2011 and can be no older than 13 on August 31, 2012. For an athlete that is in the 7th grade as of October 1, 2011 wanting to petition to play down, in the 6th grade division they can be no older than 12 on August 31, 2012.

**7TH GRADE DIVISION**

An athlete must be in the 7th grade as of October 1, 2011 and can be no older than 14 on August 31, 2012. For an athlete that is in the 8th grade as of October 1, 2011 wanting to petition to play down, in the 7th grade division they can be no older than 13 on August 31, 2012.

**8TH GRADE DIVISION**

An athlete must be in the 8th grade as of October 1, 2011 and can be no older than 15 on August 31, 2012. For an athlete that is in the 9th grade as of October 1, 2011 wanting to petition to play down, in the 8th grade division they can be no older than 14 on August 31, 2012.

**9TH GRADE DIVISION**

An athlete must be in the 9th grade as of October 1, 2011 and can be no older than 16 on August 31, 2012. For an athlete that is in the 10th grade as of October 1, 2011 wanting to petition to play down, in the 9th grade division they can be no older than 15 on August 31, 2012.

**10TH GRADE DIVISION**

An athlete must be in the 10th grade as of October 1, 2011 and can be no older than 17 on August 31, 2012. For an athlete that is in the 11th grade as of October 1, 2011 wanting to petition to play down, in the 10th grade division they can be no older than 16 on August 31, 2012.

**11TH GRADE DIVISION**

An athlete must be in the 11th grade as of October 1, 2011 and can be no older than 18 on August 31, 2012. For an athlete that is in the 12th grade as of October 1, 2011 wanting to petition to play down, in the 11th grade division they can be no older than 17 on August 31, 2012.



## **AGE REQUIREMENTS TO PLAY DOWN A GRADE DIVISION**

<b>Grade as of Oct. 1<sup>st</sup> ,2011</b>	<b>Requested Grade</b>	<b>Birthdate Requirements</b>
12th Grade	11th Grade	born on or after 9/1/1994
11th Grade	10th Grade	born on or after 9/1/1995
10th Grade	9th Grade	born on or after 9/1/1996
9th Grade	8th Grade	born on or after 9/1/1997
8th Grade	7th Grade	born on or after 9/1/1998
7th Grade	6th Grade	born on or after 9/1/1999
6th Grade	5th Grade	born on or after 9/1/2000
5th Grade	4th Grade	born on or after 9/1/2001
4th Grade	3rd Grade	born on or after 9/1/2002
3rd Grade	2nd Grade	born on or after 9/1/2003

If the athlete(s) in question meet the requirements as listed above, please send an email to [eddie@aausports.org](mailto:eddie@aausports.org) and include the following information:

1-Athlete name as it appears on her 2012 AAU Membership

2-2012 AAU Membership Code

3-AAU District

4-Athlete's grade as of October 1, 2011

5-Athlete's birthday (mm/dd/yyyy)

6-Grade Division the athlete would like to play in 2012

### **FOR EXAMPLE:**

1-Jane Smith

2-TF44B9M

3-Pacific

4-7<sup>th</sup> Grade

5-09/15/1999

6-Athlete wishes to play in the 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Division

AAU Girls Basketball will return an email acknowledging or denying the eligibility of the athlete for the requested grade division. Please place a copy of the approval email with your eligibility documents and have all supporting eligibility documents present at each game (proof of grade and age for each athlete on the team roster).

Questions may be directed to 407-934-7200.