Purpose:

4-H Basketball is arranged for members' enjoyment and recreation. The best sportsmanship should be displayed at all times. Friendships should be developed, not ruined. Remember the real goal is not to win, but to have fun!

Rules:

- All teams will play as co-ed teams. There are no restrictions on how many girls or boys that needs to be on your team or on the court at one time.
- The refs do get paid, but some volunteer their time to support the tournament.
- ALL SENIOR TEAMS must hand in a varsity roster by the beginning of the tournament which lists the age
 of participants and their basketball status. Lists will be determined based on the WIAA basketball roster
 at the start of the season in November.
- Please hand in a junior roster as well that states the names and ages of the participants.
- o Coaches need to meet at the beginning of every game to discuss any concerns before tipoff.
- Game times are 14-minute halves.
- Each club should purchase their own ice packs and bring them to the games.
- Eligibility of Players Clubs should make the decisions at their own meetings and have it decided upon before the tournament.
- No soda (bottles or cans) or other food is allowed in the gyms.

Basketball Director/Coordinator:

Mike Schumacher will serve as coordinator for the basketball tournament. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call: (920) 251-3212. Each year we invite new people to this group in order to make the tournament successful. Your involvement is welcome!

Eligibility:

All team players must be listed on the 4-H enrollment print out in order to be eligible to play, including new members. 4-H members playing basketball should be aware of WIAA rules. <u>Varsity Players - only one (1) Varsity</u> <u>Player or one (1) Varsity and one (1) Junior Varsity or two (2) Junior Varsity can be played at any one time.</u> Any school players should check with their school's policy in regard to their eligibility. A Senior Player may only play on one Senior Division Team.

Divisions:

Teams are divided into Junior and Senior divisions. Juniors must be in 3rd - 8th grades.

JUNIOR DIVISION:

<u>A Junior player may play on ONE Junior team ONLY. However, junior players may play on one junior team and one senior team</u>. In order to encourage more individuals to play, juniors may play on senior teams.

SENIOR DIVISION:

<u>A Senior player may play on ONE Senior team ONLY</u>. Any 4-H member who is in grades 9 through one year after high school is a senior. Small 4-H clubs are encouraged to combine in order to form teams. College basketball players count as 1 varsity player.

Legal Responsibility:

Announce to all players that they are playing at their own risk. It will be the responsibility of each team member to discuss insurance with the club general leader. Registered 4-H members are covered by the countywide accident policy but it covers minimal costs. For some injuries players will need to rely on individual family insurance policies.

Tournament Specifics:

Facilities - Please be sure to help clean the gym after the games so the facilities can be kept clean. Teams playing at the end of the day are responsible to assist in cleaning the courts.

Length of the Game - Teams are to arrive 15 minutes before their scheduled game and be ready to play. This assists in keeping the tournament running on schedule. All teams will play TWO (2) fourteen (14) minute halves with continuous time, except when a time-out is called, and each team is allowed two (2) time-outs per half. The clock will continue to run during free throws except during the last two minutes of each half or overtime period. Half time will be limited to five (5) minutes in length so we can keep on schedule. If a game ends in a tie, then overtime period will occur. The overtime period will consist of 3 minutes plus a team time-out (remaining time-outs of 2nd half are carried into overtime). Jump ball will determine possession.

Each team must arrive in ample time to play. If any team is five (5) minutes late, the opposing team WILL declare a forfeit, as the tournament is run on a tight schedule. As in the past, a thirty (30) point ruling will be in effect at the 21-minute mark (halfway through 2nd half of game). If any team is ahead by thirty (30) points, the refs will call the game and if time permits, the teams may continue to play - non-competitively.

Three Point Rules -- When the Seniors use the full courts, the Three Point Line can be in effect, unless otherwise discussed between refs, coaches and coordinators. Juniors playing on half courts will not be able to use the Three Point Line. If the Juniors play a game on the full court, the Three Point Line will be in effect.

Ball Rules -- Each court in Junior games will be assigned four balls for warm up, and the coaches must sign a sheet before and after the game to identify that all four balls were present. If balls are missing, the club will be charged a fee to replace them. If your club uses their own balls, they must be clearly marked with the name of a team member. We are not responsible for lost or missing basketballs. Junior team coaches will determine the size of the ball to be used during that team's play. Senior teams must provide their own warm up and game balls with their names on them.

Time/Score Keepers -- Each team must provide a coach, time keeper, and score keeper. Your club must provide these individuals prior to the start of the game.

Wearing Apparel -- Each team player will wear tennis shoes (please do not wear your tennis shoes to the gym) and unrestrictive clothing anytime they are on the gym floor. During the game each player will wear a uniform or team clothing displaying color and number clearly written. Teams are responsible for members to wear same color shirts, with numbers clearly written on them. Magic markers are a suggestion for writing numbers on shirts. All numbers must be 5 or less according to WIAA rules. All players are reminded not to wear jewelry of any type, including earrings, bracelets, necklaces, hair bows, combs, etc.

Referees -- One WIAA sanctioned referee will be provided for Junior games and two for Senior games. Refs may request assistance from the club at the time of play. ALL CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES will have two WIAA refs. All WIAA referees will be reimbursed \$25.00 per game. WIAA refs will have the final word if there is a disagreement in a call or concern.

Forfeit

A team may forfeit the game if:

- 1. There is no adult in charge.
- 2. They are more than 5 minutes late for a game.

*Coordinators will make decisions. **If a forfeit takes place, your \$40.00 security deposit will be lost.

Team Managers

Team Managers are responsible for:

- 1. ...having an enrolled 4H volunteer present at all practices. If the practicing coach is not a registered volunteer, they must go through the leader training session. Please contact the UW-Extension office to make those arrangements.
- 2. ...the proper conduct of their team Coaches are responsible for team players both on and off the court.
- 3. ...checking with referees to see if a game starts on time.
- 4. ...reporting game scores immediately.

Adults

There will be at least one enrolled 4H volunteer present during each game who will be responsible for the conduct of their team and spectators representing their club.

Awards

Food certificates will be given out to the winning Junior and Senior teams.

Miscellaneous

30-point rule will go into effect at the 21-minute mark (halfway through 2nd half of game). If any team is ahead by thirty (30) points, the ref calls the game, and game may continue to play - non-competitively - if time permits.

In the Junior Division, no full-court pressing is allowed and no three-point lines will be used (unless playing on full court). Senior play will allow full-court pressing and three point line will be used, if the gym allows for it.

Each club is responsible for the welfare of their players. Please be careful! 4-H Basketball Managers, or their volunteers, are responsible for resolving any grievances. A Basketball Director/Coordinator should be informed of any conflicts, cancellations or rule interpretations. They will coordinate the meeting of the manager committee.

INCLEMENT WEATHER - IF THE TOURNAMENT MUST BE CANCELED DUE TO SNOW OR ICE, LISTEN TO KFIZ AM 1450, K107 FM, WFDL AM 1170, FM 97.7 OR CHECK THE FOND DU LAC COUNTY 4-H FACEBOOK PAGE FOR CANCELLATIONS.

Photos

Please note that photos and video will be taken of participants at this event. UW-Extension will use these pictures and videos in a manner consistent to UW-Extension's mission. Your attendance at these events indicates your consent for image to be recorded and used in this manner.

GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP IS A MUST!

Respect other players, coaches, spectators and refs. When a ref makes an official call, there is no need for argument. The ref will not change the call. Please discuss courtesy and fair competition with your players and fans.

Accommodations

Requests for reasonable accommodations for disabilities or limitations should be made prior to the date of the program or activity for which it is needed. Please do so as early as possible prior to the program or activity so that proper arrangements can be made. Requests are kept confidential.