

## 2008-09 MEN'S CHURCH BASKETBALL

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DECATUR PARKS & RECREATION ADULT BASKETBALL LEAGUES WILL BE GOVERNED BY CURRENT NATIONAL FEDERATION OF STATE HIGH SCHOOL ASSOCIATIONS GUIDELINES WITH LOCAL LEAGUE EXCEPTIONS.

### I. ENTRANCE FEE

Entrance fee for the season shall be **\$425.00 if paid by 5pm Monday, September 29, 2008 and shall be \$475.00 if paid after September 29-October 6, 2008. NO TEAMS WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE 2008-09 SEASON IF THEIR ENTRY FEE HAS NOT BEEN PAID BY OCTOBER 6, 2008. THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS TO THIS RULE.** Due to the limited number of gyms and playing times, it may become necessary to limit the number of teams, so it will be important to enter a team as soon as possible. Entry fee includes a 12 game season and a single elimination tournament. Checks for fees should be made payable to Decatur Parks and Recreation. Checks must have the current street address of the person signing the check, home phone number, a work phone number and the person's driver's license number. No two-party checks will be accepted. Entry fees may be paid at Wilson Morgan or mailed to:

Decatur Parks and Recreation  
PO Box 1315  
Decatur , AL 35602  
ATTN: Adult Basketball

### II. ELIGIBILITY

- A. Players must be entered on roster form. Roster must be turned in to league director by October 6, 2008. Any rosters turned in after the deadline will be charged at a rate of \$1/player as will all other player additions. Any games played after this date by teams who have not turned in signed rosters shall be considered forfeits. New players must be added before the last regular scheduled league game.
- B. Players must not be playing or have played this season on high school varsity, junior varsity, B-team, junior college or varsity college team.
- C. Minimum age for players is 15 years old.
- D. Team players must regularly attend the church for which he plays. However, each team will be allowed to pick up a maximum of two other players who do not attend that church. These pick-up players cannot play on any other Decatur Parks and Recreation Church team and must be designated on the team roster under "**Non-members**".
- E. Before a new player is eligible to play, a roster addition form must be filled out and a \$1/player fee paid to the Center Staff and a receipt presented to the scorekeeper before the start of the game. Addition form must be signed by minister. New players must be added before the last regular scheduled league game.
- F. Each team may carry a total of 20 players on its roster.

- G. Players may participate in any leagues sponsored by the Parks and Recreation Department. Once a player has played in a league game on one team, he becomes ineligible to play on any other team in that league. Exception would be if player participating in the Industrial league has changed jobs and his new place of full-time employment has a team participating in the league he must play for that team. Once the player is no longer employed by his first company he can no longer legally play for that team.

### III. FORFEIT

- A. **There will be no grace period.** Failure of a team to be ready to play at the scheduled time will constitute a forfeit to opponents, provided said opponents are ready to play. There will be **no** exceptions to this rule.
- B. Failure of both teams to be ready for play shall result in a forfeit for both teams.

### IV. PROTEST

- A. Protests on player eligibility must be made as follows:

1. **PRIOR TO THE GAME:** If a player is protested, he must provide a picture ID or he will not be permitted to enter the game. If he has proof of ID, he may participate. The protesting team may require the game to be played under protest (if they think the player does not work for the company or attend the church for which he is playing). The league director will contact the church or company for verification and then rule on the protest.
2. **DURING THE GAME:** If a player is protested, he must be able to show a picture ID or the game will automatically be forfeited. If a player has ID, the game will continue under protest as above.
3. **THERE WILL BE NO PROTEST ONCE THE GAME HAS ENDED.**

- B. All protest must be accompanied by a \$10.00 fee, which will be returned if protest is upheld.

### V. UNIFORMS

- A. Team jerseys shall include the team member's number, which shall be at least 6 inches high on the back and at least 4 inches high on the front and not less than  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch in width excluding the border. The number shall be centered vertically and horizontally. Each team member shall be numbered on the front and back of the team jersey with plain Arabic numerals. The following numbers are legal: 0, 00, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55. A team member list shall not have both numbers 0 and 00.

## VI. MISCELLANEOUS

- A. The first team listed on the schedule is the home team.
- B. Teams will not have access to facility locker rooms.
- C. In the event of a tie for first place, co-champions will be awarded a trophy. In case of a tie for second place, season record between the two teams will determine which team places second. If season record is tied, a play-off game will be played between the two teams. Expense will be shared by the two teams involved.
- D. Line-ups must be turned in to the scorekeeper 20 minutes prior to game time.
- E. Ejection from a game may result in:
  - 1. A player being ejected for the remainder of that game.
  - 2. A player being suspended for the next game.
  - 3. A player being suspended for the next three games.
  - 4. A player being suspended from the league for the remainder of season and tournament. Degree of severity will be determined by officials.
- F. Quarters will be 6 minutes.

## VII. TECHNICAL FOUL RULES

- A. There are some acts, which will be technical fouls that will not carry a fine or suspension. For example:
  - 1. Hanging on the rim.
  - 2. Too many players on the court during play.
  - 3. Slapping the backboard.
  - 4. Not checking into the game properly.
  - 5. Improper uniforms.
- B. All other technical fouls will be **unsportsmanlike** and will be handled as follows:
  - 1. Each player will be allowed **three (3)** technical fouls per season. Upon receiving the third, he is out of the league.
  - 2. Each team will be allowed **five (5)** technical fouls per season. Upon receiving their **fifth**, the team will be out of the league for the remainder of the season and/or tournament.
  - 3. Any player or coach **ABUSING** an official will be eliminated from the game and the league for at least the remainder of the season. If it is determined that this act was team oriented, the above applies for the entire team.
  - 4. Any unsportsmanlike technical will require player to sit out for 2 minutes.

5. The fines for technical fouls for a player will be as follows:
  - A. \$10.00 for the first technical foul;
  - B. \$25.00 for the second technical foul;
  - C. \$25.00 for the third technical foul;
  - D. The third also will constitute the player being suspended for the remainder of the season and/or tournament.
  
6. All fines should be paid by the **COACH** to the league director before their next scheduled game. Failure to pay fines prior to the next scheduled game time will result in a forfeit of that game and all future games until the fines are paid. If a coach or player wishes to discuss the fine please call the league director for an appointment

**\*\* If a team has been found to have an ineligible player participating and is protested legally, that team will be eliminated from the league with no refund.**

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