



1. 16 min half's 7<sup>th</sup> through Varsity
  2. 14 min half's 4<sup>th</sup> thru 6<sup>th</sup>
  3. 2 30 sec time outs per half don't use them you lose them no carry over to second half.
  4. 5 fouls per player
  5. 2 shots on 10<sup>th</sup> team fouls.
  6. No press when up by 15 if game goes back under 12 you may press.
  7. Running time after 20 pt. lead will not stop again unless it gets back under 20pts. Stops for Foul Shots in 2<sup>nd</sup> Half.
  8. 4<sup>th</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> boys use a 28.5" ball.
- 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys and Girls will be M2M DEFENSE ONLY. Half court only. No trapping or pressing at this level. 6<sup>th</sup> grade and up will be all defenses and presses. See pages 2 & 3 for more Information. A 5/6 pool will be considered 6<sup>th</sup> and up.**
9. 2 technical fouls and you are done for the tournament. After the first T the coach must remain seated. Regardless of who the T was on.
  10. Overtime 1<sup>st</sup> 2:00 Min, 2<sup>nd</sup> 1:00, 3<sup>rd</sup> Sudden Death. 1-30sec Time out per overtime.
  11. The Tournament committee will rule on any other rules and violations, and their decisions will be final.
  12. Please arrive at your game site 30 minutes prior to start. We have a tight schedule and would prefer to get ahead if we can. If you have a 1 game break and must travel to another gym, we will wait. If you are in the 1<sup>st</sup> game of the day, please get there 15 minutes early and be ready to go.
  13. Please be respectful to officials, staff, opposing coaches and players.
  14. Bracket pools Tie Break Is 1<sup>st</sup> H2H 2 teams Only 2<sup>nd</sup> Pt diff 15pt max 3<sup>rd</sup> Pts Allowed 4<sup>th</sup> Points Scored 5<sup>th</sup> Coin Flip
  15. Gender will be based on a player's birth certificate.

Home Team is the first team listed and will provide the game ball. If one team lacks it, the other team needs to provide it.

Please confirm the score at halftime between the 2 teams' books if applicable. Away team will be official book unless they don't have one. One team will need to provide a bookkeeper for an official book.

All live tourney questions or concerns need to be emailed to [slatevalleybasketball@gmail.com](mailto:slatevalleybasketball@gmail.com)

Thank you for coming Have fun and Good Luck!

## **Breakdown of 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> M2M Defensive Guidelines**

### **Official Defensive Rules – 4th & 5th Grade**

#### **Purpose**

**These defensive rules are designed to promote player development, fairness, and games integrity while preventing zone defenses at the 4th and 5th grade level.**

#### **Man-to-Man Defense Required**

**All teams must play man-to-man defense. Each defender must be clearly responsible for guarding one offensive player. Zone defense is not permitted at any time.**

#### **Legal Help Defense**

**Help defense is allowed, but defenders must remain within approximately 6–8 feet of their assigned player unless actively helping on the ball. After helping, defenders must immediately recover to their player.**

#### **Illegal Defensive Positioning**

**The following are not allowed:**

- **Standing in the paint without guarding a player**
  - **Guarding an area instead of a player**
  - **Sagging excessively off assigned players**
  - **Zone formations or zone-like positioning**

#### **Double Team Rules**

**Double teams are only permitted inside the lane area near the basket. Perimeter double teams are not allowed.**

#### **Pressing Rules**

Full-court pressing is not allowed when a team is ahead by 10 points or more. Otherwise, pressing is allowed **unless tournament-specific rules state otherwise.**

### Enforcement

Officials will enforce these rules as follows:

1. Warning to coach
2. Team warning
3. Technical foul for repeated violations

### Coaching Emphasis

Coaches should teach:

- Stay between your player and the basket
  - Help and recover
  - Communicate
- Guard a player, not a spot

### Mission

Slate Valley Basketball is committed to player development, sportsmanship, and providing a positive experience for all athletes.