

West Hartford Girls Basketball League

3 on 3 Basketball Game Format and Rules of Play

Skills Competition – Championship Weekend

1. Team seeding will be determined in order of how soon teams register with the Tournament Director. The sooner the Tournament Director receives a team registration, the higher the team will be seeded. Players may wear their own team jersey if all three players are from the same Seniors Division team. Otherwise, players will be provided with a pinney to wear. The higher seeded team will be the home team, and will begin play with possession of the ball.
2. The winner is determined by the first team to score 9 points.
3. Teams score by either regular 2-point baskets or by 3-point shots taken from outside the 3-point arc.
4. After a basket has been scored or a foul called, a player must put the ball in play from a line past the 3-point line ABOVE the foul line at the top of the key (a checked ball). At least 1 pass must be made before a team can score on offense after a checked ball or else it is a violation and change of possession.
5. All held balls (i.e., “jump balls”) will be put into play behind the 3-point line ABOVE the foul line at the top of the key with possession given alternately to each team.
6. All balls must be checked from the top of the key for the following:
 - At the start of the game.
 - Any time the ball goes out of bounds.
 - After a made basket.
 - After a non-shooting foul or violation.
7. On defensive rebounds or steals, players MUST return the ball by dribble or pass (where both feet are) across the 3-point line (anywhere past the arc) BEFORE a basket may be attempted. Once across the line, they do not have to pass the ball before shooting.
8. After a basket is successfully made, the team scored upon will receive the ball (i.e., change of possession) at the top of the key and will check the ball.
9. Fouls will be called by the referee. A foul called in the act of shooting will result in either 2 free throws or 3 free throws (if shooter is fouled behind the 3-point arc) awarded to the shooters. A non-shooting foul will result in a change of possession.
10. The 3-second rule will apply to all offensive players.
11. Format is a double elimination tournament. The entire half court shall be the boundary lines for the game.
12. The referees and ultimately, the Tournament Directors shall have final say over judgement of rules and procedures in running the tournament.