



Winter is Focus on Fun and Safety

The City of Charleston Recreation Department will offer winter sports for our citizens. Winter sports will look different than our normal season. We will continue to institute new standards, protocols and game rules that will meet or exceed CDC national standards for keeping our children safe when playing indoor/outdoor sports. Our goal is to provide an atmosphere to allow our children to exercise, socialize, be fit and have fun!

**Coaches/Parents and Players will follow all city ordinances for Mask established at time of play

**Parents will be required to socially distance and bleachers will be marked for social distancing.

**ONLY one spectator per player permitted at practices and games.

**Players/Spectators/Referees will be temperature checked and medical questions asked at all facilities upon entry.

**Spectators/Coaches/Staff will remain masked at all times. Players will be masked at all times except when on court playing.

YOUTH BASKETBALL FACT SHEET

- Birthday cutoff September 1, 2020
- Practices for 5-8 will start first week of December. Games month of January.
- Practices for 9-15 will start late January. Games February and March.
- 5-8 will practice weeknights and Saturdays.
- 9-15 will practice weeknights and Saturdays.
- No combines or drafts this season. Random draw, limited request.
- Request will be limited to one request per player and not guaranteed. Limits will apply to avoid manipulation of teams. Coordinators will make final roster decisions.
- Some age groups may be combined depending on registration.
- 6 games for 5-8 yr olds.
- 6 games for 9-15 yr olds.
- Game structure will be pods/cohorting of 4 teams to limit exposure in all age groups
- Players will need to have their own water bottle and hand sanitizer.
- No benches for players will be utilized. Bleacher space will be limited for social distancing.
- Coaches will check out needed equipment with staff at games and practices. All equipment will be sanitized before and after use by city staff
- Shorts with no pockets are required. City will not issue out any shorts for players to wear.
- Coaches will only be able to coach one team.
- Two coaches per team max. Prefer one.
- Referees will be used for 9 and above when available. We are experiencing a shortage of referees.
- We will minimize to eliminate all travel to other areas for this season.
- Teams will line up on their side after game ends and wave or air high five in sportsmanship - No shaking of hands with opposing team or referees

Clinics: Ran by qualified instructors, 45 minutes long, 6 week sessions

- 4 y old clinics Co-Ed Saturday options

League:

- 5-6 league Co-Ed 8 man roster – 10 max per team Play 5v5
- 7-8 league Co-Ed 8 man roster – 10 max per team Play 5v5
- 9-10 league Co-Ed 8 man roster – 10 max per team Play 5v5
- 11-12 league Co-Ed 8 man roster – 10 max per team Play 5v5
- 13-15 league Co-Ed 8 man roster – 10 max per team Play 5v5