The National Championship Game Rules

1. U14-U16 Games will consist of two sixteen minute (16:00) halves. U13 Games will consist of two fourteen minute (14:00) halves Halftime will be three (3:00) minutes in length.

2. On court warm-up time will vary but will not be less than five (5:00) minutes. Coaches are responsible for insuring that their athletes are adequately stretched and warm before taking the floor. **Teams must bring their own basketballs.**

3. Clock will run in the last 10 minutes of the 2nd half if the scoring differential is greater than 20 points. If the differential falls below 20 points, stop time will be reinstated.

4. Teams will have one full (1:00) and two thirty second (:30) timeouts per game.

5. Bonus foul shots will be awarded on the tenth (10th) team foul of each half. No double bonus.

6. A player will be disqualified on her sixth (6th) personal foul. The head coach will be disqualified on his or her second technical foul.

7. No shot clocks will be used. There will be a ten-second count in the backcourt and a 5-second count when a player is closely guarded.

8. Lane players can enter on the release of a free-throw.

9. Should overtime (OT) be necessary, it will consist of one (1), two minute (2:00) stop-time period. Should a second overtime (2 OT) be necessary, it will consist of one (1) additional, two minute (2:00) stop-time period. Should a third overtime (3 OT) be necessary, the result will be determined by the first team to score ("sudden-death").

10. All teams are expected to report not less than forty five minutes (45:00) prior to the scheduled start of each contest. Players must be recorded on the official score sheet not less than five minutes (5:00) prior to tip-off.

14. HOME TEAM DESIGNATION. The team on the left of the schedule will be the designated home team, wear white or light colored jerseys, and occupy the bench to the left of the official scorekeeper. **The home team will provide the official scorekeeper.**

15. VISITING TEAM DESIGNATION. The team listed on the right of the schedule will be the designated visiting team, wear dark colored jerseys, and occupy the bench to the right of the official scorekeeper. The National Championship Staff will provide the scoreboard operator for all games.

TIE BREAKER DETERMINATION FOR POOLS

If tied two ways

1. The head to head matchup between the 2 teams involved in the tie determines the placement. If tied three ways:

- 1. Top placement is determined by total point differential of all games in pool play.
- 2. 2nd and 3rd placement is determined by the head to head matchup between the 2 teams remaining in the tie.
- 3. The maximum point differential per game is +/-15