

## 2025/2026 Kindergarten Rules 3 on 3

1. Coaches will be the referee and make all the calls in the game. Coaches are expected to enforce the rules appropriately.
2. All players must have similar playing time per game. No one player can stay in the game the entire time.
3. Teams are required to only play man to man but help defense is acceptable.
4. There is no stealing off the dribble or when the player is trying to pass the ball. Stealing the ball is permitted once the pass leaves the passers hands and loose balls only.
5. Scores will not be kept on the scoreboard.
6. Games are played on 8-foot rims using 27.5-inch junior balls.
7. Defense must stay behind the marked three-point line until the ball has advanced past the three-point line.
8. The offense has a ten count to get the ball across half court or they will lose possession.
9. Two double dribbles will be overlooked per player per play. A third double dribble will result in forfeiture of the ball.
10. Traveling will be called after three steps have been made holding onto the ball.
11. The ball will be inbounded after each foul. No foul shots will be taken during the game to save time.
12. Games will be (6) periods, (5) minutes long with a running clock. The clock will stop for injuries only.
13. Coaches have 30 seconds to match players up before each period.
14. Teams will be given a (3) minute halftime break after the third period.
15. Each team will receive (2) 30-second timeouts per game.
16. A coin flip will determine who takes the ball out first.
17. Fast breaks are permitted HOWEVER: The defense is not allowed to have any contact from behind on a fast break for player safety.
18. No overtime since we will not be keeping score on the scoreboard.

19. One coach from each team is permitted at each end of the court to help direct their players. No physically moving the player is permitted.