



2025 Tournament Rules

April 5 – 6, 2025

1. All teams must have uniform shirts with visible numbers on them.
2. In 3rd & 4th (combined division), 5th, and 6th grade divisions there will be no zone defenses. Only man to man pressing is allowed in the last 2 minutes of the game for these divisions. Pressing is only allowed if the lead is 10 points or less.
3. In 7th & 8th grade division zone defenses will be allowed. Pressing is allowed but no pressing by either team if lead is 20 points or more.
4. 18-minute running halves. Clock stops on timeouts only. The clock also stops the last 2 minutes of 2nd half for time outs, free throws, and dead balls as long as the score is within 10 points. If the score differential is 11 points or more, the clock will run with the exception of timeouts during the last 2 minutes.
5. Substitute on dead balls only.
6. Overtime will be 2 minutes with the clock stopping. 2nd overtime is sudden death.
7. Halftime will be 2 minutes.
8. Players are disqualified after five fouls.
9. Since games are played by halves, teams will shoot 2 free throws at 7 team fouls per half.
10. Teams are allowed 2 timeouts per game (1 minute), +1 timeout per overtime period. Timeouts can be used at any point during the game, they will NOT be divided by halves. Timeouts do not carry over to overtime. Only 1 timeout per team in overtime.
11. Divisions will be (3rd & 4th combined division), (5th), (6th), and (7th & 8th combined division).
12. 3rd & 4th, 5th & 6th grade boys & all girls divisions will be using women's sized basketballs.
13. 7th & 8th grade boys will use men's basketballs.
14. Game time is forfeit time. You may start with four players.
15. Players must compete in their own grade classification, with the exception that players in a lower grade may participate in an older division.
16. Players may play on one team only. Players may play on one team on Saturday and then play up a division on Sunday but may only play on one team each day.
17. Players must play within their own gender. (Unless cleared by the tournament director prior to the tournament).
18. Players may be added to a team prior to their first game as long as they follow all preceding guidelines.
19. Each team must supply their own warm-up balls, game balls, & med-kit. We will provide ice only.
20. No locker room facilities will be provided.
21. All teams need to be prepared to provide a bookkeeper.
22. A Player/Coach earning a 2nd technical foul will be ejected from the tournament.
23. Coaches, players, and fans can and will be removed from further play for unsportsmanlike conduct. Please warn your fans and players as this will be strictly enforced. Also, fans of a team may also be issued a technical foul if warranted.
24. Due to limited seating please be courteous of the next team playing and let them sit so they can see their team play. You DON'T have to leave, just be courteous to the next team please.
25. Tie breaker procedure for pool play: Seeding will be determined by Points Allowed 1st and Point Differential 2nd.

Tournament located in Bowman, North Dakota. All Games will be played at
Bowman County High School and Bowman Rouzie Recreation Center