# City of Clovis Recreation Tiny Dribblers League

# **Rules and Regulations**

# **Outcomes of the Program:**

- To teach skills, build character, and have fun.
- To have fair play and sportsmanship!

We can have fun by building character through teaching skills. Remember: This is a positive learning experience. SHOUT PRAISE, WHISPER CRITICISM!!!

The City of Clovis Recreation reserves the right to modify these rules at any time. California Interscholastic Federation (CIF) rules for the current year will be used for all games with the following exceptions:

#### I. GAME

- 1. The game will consist of four (4) seven (7) minute quarters running clock.
- 2. Two (2) quarters per half.
- 3. No Overtime Play

### **II. EQUIPMENT**

• A youth/Rookie size ball (25.50") and goals at a height of 8.0' will be used.

# III. REQUIRED PLAYING TIME: Every child on the roster MUST play based on the rules below:

- 1. Each player must play at least (1) quarter per half uninterrupted (without being subbed out)
- 2. No players can be bench from playing
- **3.** All players must report to the scorer's table before they will be allowed into the game. Coaches are responsible for substitutions being prepared to enter the game.
- **4.** Players that arrive late but during the first half are only required to play the minimum required time in the second half. Players that arrive late to the second half are not required to play mandated time.

# **IV. FOULS**

• No personal or team fouls will be recorded. In the event of a foul, the official will stop the play and explain the foul to the players. The team/player fouled will retain possession of the ball.

# V. SCORE

- 1. Score will be kept, however standings will not.
- 2. If a team is up by 20 points, scorekeeper will stop adding points.

#### VI. FREE THROWS

• No free throws are given. Shooting fouls will be administered as a throw in at the spot nearest to the foul.

#### VII. OFFENSE

- 1. Plays should be designed to include all players throughout the game.
- **2.** The offensive team must make at least one pass after crossing mid-court before taking a shot. Only exception is on fast break situations.

#### VIII. DEFENSE

- 1. It is recommended that teams use both zone & man-to-man defense throughout the game.
- 2. Defense is only permitted inside the three (3) point line.
- 3. No double teaming allowed.
- **4.** No stealing off the dribble or stealing the ball from offensive player's hands.

#### IX. VIOLATIONS

• In the event of a violation such as double dribbling, traveling, ect. is committed, the official will stop the play and explain the violation to the players. The offending team retains possession of the ball.

# X. DRESS CODE

- Players must wear the uniform provided by the City of Clovis Recreation.
- Uniforms should be tucked in and shorts should be worn properly (on the hips).
- If a player wears a T-shirt underneath their jersey, it should be the same/similar color of the main color of the jersey.
- Garments worn underneath the basketball shorts (i.e. boxers, compression shorts, etc.)
  must not exceed beyond the length of the basketball shorts and must be same/similar
  color to the color of the basketball shorts.
- If there are two teams wearing like colored uniforms, the team listed as the visiting team will wear inverted jersey.
- Headgear for medical, cosmetic, or religious reasons may be permitted, provided it is not abrasive, hard, or dangerous, to any other player and which is attached in such a way it will come off during play. The Recreation staff or official will rule on any headgear.

#### XI. COACHES CONDUCT

A. Coaches are very important role models for children in athletics. It is the coaches' responsibility to develop self-esteem, confidence, sportsmanship, and a positive attitude in the children that he/she coaches. Setting good examples for the children to

- follow can only do this. A goal of The City of Clovis is to have all of the coaches working within our programs setting good examples.
- B. Coaches should always keep their tempers in control and watch their conduct around the children. This includes practices, games, meeting, or any other The City of Clovis Recreation activity. The City of Clovis Recreation will take whatever actions necessary to ensure that all coaches display proper conduct.
- C. Any coach who is ejected from a game will also be suspended during the team's next scheduled game. Also the right to coach a future team can be denied. (To be determined by The City of Clovis Recreation.)
- D. Coaching Box is the Length of the Bench if a Coach goes out of this box he/she may be subject to a technical foul.
- E. If coaches or spectators display unsportsmanlike conduct during a game, they will be given a technical foul after the first warning. Yelling at officials, players, or staff will not be tolerated.

#### XII. SPECTATOR CONDUCT

- A. If parents or spectators from a particular team display unsportsmanlike conduct during a game, their team will be given a technical foul on the bench. It is important that coaches explain this to their parents/spectators. Yelling at officials, players, or staff will not be tolerated. Coaches need to help keep parents/spectators cheering for the players and not yelling at officials so as not to take away from the child's experience.
- B. Spectators are permitted to sit on designated bleachers along each baseline Spectators are not allowed to sit, stand or pace along other areas of the court including the sideline opposite of team beaches.

# **XIII. PROTESTS**

A. Every attempt should be made to handle situation before filing an official protest with The City of Clovis Recreation.