

2021 SUMMER BASKETBALL LEAGUE ENTRY BLANK – 38th Year

The league uses the following format: Division I – Returning High School Boys; Division II – Returning High School Girls; Division III - 16 and under Boys; Division IV – 16 and under Girls; Division V – Boys Entering 7th & 8th Grade; Division VI – Girls Entering 7th & 8th Grade; Division VII – Boys Entering 5th & 6th Grade; Division VIII Girls 5th & 6th Grade. **Ages are as of August 1, 2021, Grades are as of 2021-22 school year; no exceptions allowed. No individual registrations accepted.** Each team will be provided 10 shirts. A game ball must be brought to each game by both teams. **There is a Coaches’ meeting on Saturday, May 29, 2021 at 10:00 AM (likely at Fuessenich Park). Roster and team fees will be accepted at the meeting and are due in full by May 29, 2020.** The league will run from **June 17 – August 10. 12 games for all teams.** Players registered must be students or residents in their respective school districts. 9:30PM games will only be for Divisions I, II and III.

Division I - Returning High School Boys

Division II - Returning High School Girls

Division III - 16 & Under Boys

Division IV - 16 & Under Girls

Division V – Boys Entering 7th & 8th Grade

Division VI – Girls Entering 7th & 8th Grade

Division VII – Boys Entering 5th & 6th Grade

Division VIII – Girls – 5th & 6th Grade

TEAM FEES FOR DIVISIONS II-VIII: \$900.00

DIVISION I TEAM FEES: \$800 without shirts; balance sponsored by North End Alumni

DIVISION: _____

TEAM NAME: _____

GAME DATE RESTRICTIONS (max of six dates for entire summer): _____

GAME TIME RESTRICTIONS (5:30-9:30 PM starts @ THS; 6-9 PM others): _____

Make Checks Payable to: Torrington Parks & Recreation Department, 153 South Main St., Torrington, CT 06790. If paying in cash, cash must be paid directly to the Parks and Rec. Department during normal business hours. Credit cards may be used on the Torrington Parks and Rec website, clicking Program Registration then Programs.

First and Last Name **SHIRT SIZE**

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First and Last Name **SHIRT SIZE**

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Coach (all information required:)

Name: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email:

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2nd Contact Person (all information required:)

Name: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email:

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I have read and understand the policies of the Torrington Parks & Recreation Department and agree to abide by those policies.

Coach’s Signature _____

Date: _____

2021 TORRINGTON SUMMER BASKETBALL LEAGUE RULES

The following is a list of rules that must be followed in order for the league to run smoothly. Please remember this is a recreational league. This league is set up for a little competition but more importantly to let the children have fun while participating in a recreational program over the summer. **Make sure players are aware of and understand all league rules.**

1. Any alcohol on breath of coaches will result in termination of the coach. **ZERO TOLERANCE.**
2. Any fighting or attempt to hurt another player will lead to dismissal of the player for the entire season. **ZERO TOLERANCE.**
3. Teams must be coached by a responsible person over the age of 21 for Division I and II and over 18 for other Divisions.
4. The Parks and Recreation Department is not responsible for any injuries of league players, managers, referees, league officials or spectators.
5. **VERBAL ABUSE: Verbal abuse by spectators, players and coaches will not be tolerated, whether it be towards other players, other coaches, scorekeepers or referees. If verbal abuse takes place, unsportsmanlike technical fouls will be handed out. Coaches may be asked to control fans of their team. Failure to obey these requests will result in unsportsmanlike technicals and/or forfeiture.**
6. **UNSPORTSMANLIKE TECHNICAL FOULS – All unsportsmanlike technical foul fines must be paid at the Parks and Recreation Department before the next game during normal business hours. Players/coaches with outstanding fines will not be allowed to participate until fines are paid. The hours of the office are Monday – Friday, 9:00 AM – 4:30 PM. Penalties for unsportsmanlike technicals are as follows:**
 - a. \$10 fine and one game suspension for first unsportsmanlike technical.
 - b. \$20 fine and two game suspension for second unsportsmanlike technical.
 - c. \$30 fine and suspension for remainder of the season and entirety of the following season. Until fines are paid, the individual will not be able to participate in any Parks and Recreation Programs.
 - d. If multiple technicals are received in the same game, fines and suspensions are cumulative.
7. **SIT DOWN RULE:**

The referee may ask a player to sit down in lieu of a technical foul. This will help the officials control the game without the use of an unsportsmanlike technical. This sit down period will allow both the official and player some time to cool down. If the official tells a player to sit down, he/she must remain out of the game for a minimum of five minutes (longer if requested by the referee.) This rule does not mean that there will be no technicals given. The sit down rule is entirely at the discretion of the official.
8. Coaches are responsible for proving players are of legal age. If requested, birth certificates must be presented to opposing coach.
9. Coaches are responsible for putting last names and numbers of their players into the scorebook prior to the start of the game.
10. Coaches are responsible for reporting/identifying perceived illegal/ineligible players prior to the game beginning; if additional information is learned after a game, coaches acknowledge that the league has limited recourse (especially in the playoffs).
11. **All players must change into a clean pair of sneakers before stepping onto the court to practice/play.**
12. Each game will consist of two, 20-minute halves, running time. The clock will only stop under 1 minute in the first half, 2 minutes in the second half and during timeouts. No stop-time when a team is winning by 20+ points. If a team is winning by 20 points or more with under 3 minutes remaining in the game, the losing team has the option of stopping the game.
13. Each team will have two timeouts per half, 45 seconds each. Each team must provide a game ball at every game.
14. **LIMITED PRESSING** – When a team is up by 20 points (15 points in Division VI, VII and VIII) they are not allowed to press until the deficit is below 20 points (15 points in Division VI, VII and VIII.)
15. Please make every effort not to forfeit. Many teams travel a great distance to participate in the league. If one team has only five or six players, players on either team may remain in the game with more than five fouls. Fouls after the fifth foul will be administrative team technicals (not unsportsmanlike). The penalty for the foul will be carried out as usual in addition to two foul shots and the ball. **This does not mean that a player cannot be disqualified for unsportsmanlike, flagrant or other unnecessary actions.**
16. Players can play on only one team in the same Division, unless recruited to save a forfeit. Zero exceptions.
17. **PLAYOFF SCHEDULE** – Playoff seeds will be based on the team's standing after eight to nine games to have enough time to distribute it to all teams. In case of a tie, head to head record will determine the higher seed team.
18. Only players who are rostered on the Parks and Rec roster on file are allowed to play; Coaches are responsible for ensuring players are rostered. Players may be added during the season up prior to your 7th game, but in every case before the game with signed waivers on file at Parks and Rec. To play in the playoffs, players must participate in at least 50% of a team's games. Coaches are responsible for verifying a player's eligibility (age and/or otherwise).
19. Players are eligible to play for one team in each division as long as they qualify for all divisions (e.g. an incoming 8th grader can play in the 16 & Under and 18 & Under divisions), but must play on at least 50% of a team's games in the lower division/s.
20. Players and Coaches will adhere to any additional requirements included in the COVID-19 Operational Guide.

Coaches please stress to your players and spectators to respect other teams and referees. These rules will be enforced in order to keep the league running smoothly. Any questions that parents or players may have please consult with your managers. Please do not call the Parks and Recreation Department unless it is absolutely necessary. Managers should direct questions/comments to Bill Nataro, League Supervisor.

WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY

The City of Torrington Park & Recreation Department Program (as defined below, "Program") involves a variety of physical activities and there is an element of risk involved, which each participant must assume (including injury, disability or death). I affirm that my health is adequate and that I am not under a physician's care for any undisclosed condition that bears upon my fitness to participate in the Program. The undersigned hereby agrees:

1. I fully assume all risks associated with utilization of and participation in the program(s) listed above and agree not to sue and hereby release the City of Torrington, its agents, servants, employees, volunteers, elected officials boards and commissions (collectively "The City"), from all liability should an injury to me or listed participant occur during participation in the said program(s).
2. I, for myself and for my heirs, executors, administrators, and legal representatives, agree to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the City, from any and all claims, suits or demands by anyone arising from my use of or participation in the program.
3. If I am a parent or guardian signing on behalf of a child or ward, I make these representations and agreements on behalf of my child or ward.
4. I give permission to the Torrington Parks & Recreation Department to use any photo or video taken during participation for promotional materials.
5. I have read and understand the policies adopted by the Torrington Parks & Recreation Department and agree to abide by those policies.

Signature of Player's Parent or Guardian	Date	Signature of Player's Parent or Guardian	Date
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ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY RELATING TO CORONAVIRUS/ COVID-19

The Novel Coronavirus, COVID-19, has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization. COVID-19 is extremely contagious and is believed to spread mainly from person-to-person contact. As a result, federal, state, and local governments and federal and state health agencies recommend social distancing and have, in many locations, prohibited the congregation of groups of people. The City of Torrington and the Parks and Recreation Department (“City”) has put in place preventative measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19; however, the City cannot guarantee that you and/or your child(ren) will not become infected with COVID-19. Further, attending the City programs could increase your risk and/or your child(ren)’s risk of contracting COVID-19.

By signing this agreement, I acknowledge the contagious nature of COVID-19 and voluntarily assume the risk that my child(ren) and/or I may be exposed to or infected by COVID-19 by attending the City Parks and Recreation Department programs and that such exposure or infection may result in personal injury, illness, permanent disability, and death. I understand that the risk of becoming exposed to or infected by COVID-19 at the Parks and Recreation Department programs may result from the actions, omissions, or negligence of myself and others, including, but not limited to, City employees, volunteers, and program participants and their families.

I voluntarily agree to assume all of the foregoing risks and accept sole responsibility for any injury to my child(ren) and/or myself (including, but not limited to, personal injury, disability, and death), illness, damage, loss, claim, liability, or expense, of any kind, that I or my child(ren) may experience or incur in connection with my child(ren)’s attendance at the City event or participation in City programming (“Claims”). On my behalf, and/or on behalf of my children, I hereby release, covenant not to sue, discharge, and hold harmless the City of Torrington, its employees, agents, and representatives, of and from the Claims, including all liabilities, claims, actions, damages, costs or expenses of any kind arising out of or relating thereto. I understand and agree that this release includes any Claims based on the actions, omissions, or negligence of the City, its employees, agents, and representatives, whether a COVID-19 infection occurs before, during, or after participation in any City program.

Signature of Parent/Guardian (with Child name)	Date	Signature of Parent/Guardian (with Child name)	Date
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Signature - Coach:			

Torrington Parks and Recreation – Summer Basketball

“Play it Safe!”

Covid—19 Operational Guide

I. On Court Play

a. Rules for Players

- Each player must be rostered with a “WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY” and “ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY RELATING TO CORONAVIRUS/ COVID-19” on file signed by a parent/guardian to play.
- Social Distancing will always be observed by each player to the extent possible throughout the game.
- A face covering is required on the court, on the bench, and during timeouts.
- Minimize physical contact with teammates, opponents, officials, etc. (NO - high fives, handshakes, etc.)
- Halftime meetings will take place only in areas where safe social distancing between players is feasible.
- Players will remain socially distanced on the bench when they are not on the court.
- Only the Coach, up to two assistant coaches, and Players are allowed be in the bench area during a game.
- All teams must clear the gym immediately following their game.
- All items brought into the gym must be removed from the field by all players (water bottles, bags, etc.)

b. Rules for Coaches

- The Coach will be designated as the “point person” should an injury take place on the court.
- Coaches must wear masks at all times
- Coaches are responsible for enforcement of social distancing guidelines for their teams.

c. Rules for Officials

- Officials will wear a mask at all times on the court and follow all social distancing guidelines.
- Officials have the option to wear disposable gloves.

II. Off-Court Rules

a. Logistics

- Spectators are not allowed as long as indoor masking is required or recommended by the Governor or Department of Health.
- All PPE used during games shall be properly disposed of.

b. Operations and Communications

- Players will be asked to proactively report any illness to the Coach if a player feels ill
- If a player/manager is sick, they are not allowed to attend a game or practice until cleared by their doctor to resume activities.

III. Supplies

The City will provide the following supplies that will help them maintain a safe environment for the players, such as:

- Hand sanitizer (to be used as a back-up if teams run out.)
- Disposable masks (to be used as a back-up if a player runs out.)
- Disposable gloves (to be used by officials and in emergency situations by coaches.)
- Disinfectant wipes, sprays.