General Rules

- Equal Play Opportunity We will have 3 shifts of 4 minutes each half (12 minutes per half). The time will start at 4:00 and run down. After the first 4 minute shift, all players on the court shall go to the bench and allow the people on the bench to play. If you have a team of 10 or more, you cannot double shift anyone. If you have 7 or less, no player shall be allowed to play the entire game.
- This is an "Open" tournament.
- All games will consist of two halves and will use the 28.5 intermediate basketballs.
- Halftime shall be no longer than 2 minutes. No games will start before their scheduled time unless agreed to by both coaches.
- A total of two (2) 30-second time-outs per half will be allowed to each team. One (1) additional time out of 30 seconds per team will be awarded for each overtime period.
- The clock will **not** be stopped for all whistle stoppages. As it is a younger children's event, games will be in running time.(clock will stop for injuries and time outs)
- Two (2) direct technical fouls during a same game on any player, coach, or team representative will result in their disqualification for the rest of the tournament. Coaches are cautioned to keep in mind the spirit of this introductory tournament and abide by all rules of sportsmanship.
- Team must play "Person-to- Person" Defence on its back-court at all time.
- Team is not allowed to play "Zone Defence" at any time during a game
- There will be no score being kept as this is "developmental" Tier 2.
- There will be no foul shots. Instead, the team will have an inbound pass from the end line.

Roster Rules

- An official SSAF eligibility sheet must be completed and submitted within the specified time frame.
- Teams are allowed to dress 15 players only.
- Students that have participated at a higher age level of basketball during the current school year (i.e. Elementary Basketball) may not participate.
- No roster additions will be permitted after the team has begun play of its first tournament game.
- Please understand that this tournament is much like an exhibition or "friendly" event. We encourage all teams to play with the highest level of respect for their competitors, coaches, and referees. It is imperative that a harsh competitive atmosphere not contaminates the fun spirit of basketball and a desire to win at all cost.