

# IMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH

## Adult Men's Church Basketball League

### T.A.A.F AFFILIATED BASKETBALL LEAGUE RULES

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The Adult Men's Church Basketball League will follow the Men's rules set by the National Collegiate Athletic Association. Exceptions to the N.C.A.A. rules are listed below.

#### GENERAL RULES

1. Texas Amateur Athletic Federation (T.A.A.F.) rules and regulations pertaining to player and team eligibility will apply to all leagues unless it is specifically stated otherwise in the "Specialized League Rules" section of these rules.
2. Teams and/or players may participate in other city's leagues in the area, but may not attempt to advance to T.A.A.F. Regional or State Tournament play from more than one city. Players/teams must declare their Regional/State intentions as to which city they will represent on or prior to January 15 of the current season and having made such decision may not change late in the season.
3. Any player who participates in a league game must be on the team roster. The initial team roster will be due prior to the first game. The final team roster will be due prior to the team's third game. The rosters are limited to 12 players per team. The rosters must be turned into the scorekeeper by the above stated deadlines, or the team will not be allowed to play, which will be recorded as a forfeit.
4. Teams must have identically colored jerseys with legal numbers on the front and back of the jersey. Any player who does not meet this requirement will not be allowed to play. Numbers must be permanently affixed to the jersey, not taped or pinned on. Also, numbers applied with the Marks-a-Lot or other ink pen will not be allowed. Note: Legal numbers are 0, 00, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55. T-shirts can be worn under tank tops so long as the color of the T-shirt does not conflict with that of the opposing team.
5. Players are reminded that N.C.A.A. Rules prohibit the wearing of jewelry of any kind during the game. This includes: watches, rings, chains, necklaces, bracelets, dangling or loop-type earrings, etc. Exception: Small, smooth stud earrings and wedding bands will be allowed to be worn, at the referee's discretion only.
6. Game time will be forfeit time. Teams must fill out a game roster and turn it in to the scorekeeper no later than five minutes before a game time.
7. Teams must have five (5) players to start a game. Each team may continue to play with fewer than five players when all other squad members are not eligible to play. When there is only one player participating for a team, that team shall forfeit.
8. Any team that forfeits three games will be dropped from the league, and will not receive any type of refund.
9. Ties in the final standings will be resolved by head-to-head competition. If the teams have split in games won and lost among themselves, then a one game playoff will be scheduled to determine the winner. If time does not allow for a playoff game, then point differential in games between the teams tied will determine the winner.
10. The games will have twenty-minute halves with a running clock, except for the last two minutes of each half. A running clock does not stop for anything except time-outs, technical fouls, delays, and officials' time-outs. The last

two minutes of each half will have a stopping clock, which will stop for all violations. If one team is ahead of another team by 20 points or more in the second half, the clock will not stop.

11. There will be a five minute half time. Each team will have three (3) one-minute timeouts per half.
12. Games ending in a tie score will be decided by three-minute stopped clock overtime periods. Each team will be given one (1) extra time out.
13. On the seventh team foul, the one and one bonus will be in effect. On the tenth team foul and beyond all free throws will be two shots.
14. On a free throw, no player shall occupy the fourth lane space on either side of the free-throw lane. Players occupying any of the legal marked lane spaces on each side of the lane may break the vertical plane of the outside edge of a lane-space boundary once the ball strikes the ring, flange or backboard, or until the free throw ends.
15. Players not in a legal marked lane space shall remain behind the free-throw line extended and behind the three-point field –goal line until the ball strikes the ring, flange or backboard, or until the free throw ends.
16. Dunking the ball will be allowed in the Adult Men’s Basketball Church League at Immanuel Baptist Church. Anyone hanging on the rim will be charged personally with an unsportsmanlike conduct foul, and any points scored will not be allowed. Players will be liable for damage occurring to the goals at any time. Any player damaging a goal will be suspended until restitution has been made. Any player, who damages a goal to the point where play cannot be continued, will cause his team to forfeit.
17. The Adult Men’s Church Basketball League will utilize the N.C.A.A. “three point shot” and all accompanying guidelines (including three free throws when fouled in the act of shooting and missing a three point shot).
18. All technical fouls for unsportsmanlike conduct, either by a coach or player, will give the other team two foul shots. If technical fouls are called on members of both teams, no shots will be taken.
19. Two unsportsmanlike technical fouls against a player will disqualify him from the game. Any player disqualified for misconduct will be asked to leave the gym. Any player who fails to leave after being told by a referee or league official will cause his team to forfeit the game. Any player disqualified from a game will serve a two game suspension.
20. Three unsportsmanlike conduct technical fouls against a team will result in that team forfeiting the game.
21. Abusive language before, during or after a game or violence in any form will not be tolerated. The league officials will have the right to suspend players who are involved in such misconduct. Suspensions from the Adult Men’s Church Basketball League and T.A.A.F. may also result from serious misconduct.
22. The Immanuel Baptist Church League officers will have the power to rule any area not specifically covered in these rules.
23. A church member is one who regularly attends the religious services of the sponsoring congregation. Each church team must have their team roster signed by their pastor certifying that a minimum of 50% of the players listed on the roster is a church member. Note: The intent of this league is for recreation, fellowship, and outreach.
24. Eligible players must be 18 years of age and are not currently enrolled in High School.
25. Basketball or court shoes must be worn while participating in the Adult Men’s Basketball Church League at Immanuel Baptist Church. No black sole running shoes or cross trainers will be allowed on the Immanuel Baptist Church gym floor. Shoes will be checked before use is permitted.