

Basketball

Section 1 Rules National Federation edition of the Basketball Rules of the United States and Canada shall govern all NJSIAA games.

Section 2 Start of Practice Provided for in Program Regulations, Section 6.

Section 3 Start of Regular Schedule Provided in Program Regulations, Section 8.

Section 4 End of Season No interscholastic games may be played after the start of the State - Tournament.

Section 5 Transfers A student who transfers after the NJSIAA Competition Start Date for each sport, regardless of whether the transfer was the result of a bona fide change of residence, shall be ineligible to participate in any post-season championship competition at the new school.

Section 6 Scrimmages Interschool scrimmages are to be limited to three (3) per week until the Start of the Regular Schedule (Program Regulations, Section 8). Thereafter, until the start of the State Tournament, schools are limited to the maximum number of games as provided for in Section 7. This does not include games or scrimmages during the State Tournament. (While a school is competing in the State Tournament, it may schedule with teams entered in the tournament one (1) scrimmage during any week in which it has only one (1) or two (2) games and two (2) scrimmages during any week in which there are no games. These scrimmages will not count in the total number of allowable games.)

Section 7 Games Per Week Not more than a total of three (3) basketball games may be played per week beginning with the week of the Start of the Regular Schedule (Program Regulations, Section 8) to the start of the State Tournament (this includes interschool scrimmages, regular games, postponed games, and tournament games), but games may not be played on three (3) consecutive days. This section does not apply to State Tournament scheduling. You may play one four-game week.

Section 8 Maximum Games A member school has the option of playing one of the following maximum-game schedules, including interschool scrimmages and postponed games from the start of the Regular Schedule to the start of the State Tournament:

- Option 1 Twenty (20) regular scheduled games, plus two (2) tournaments, plus the State Tournament; or
- Option 2 Twenty-two (22) regular scheduled games, plus one (1) tournament, plus the State Tournament; or
- Option 3 Twenty-six (26) games, including all regular season and tournament(s), plus the State Tournament.

CL: Teams using options (1) or (2) may exceed the 26 games total provided their regular schedule is limited to either of the options, i.e., 20 in (1) or 22 in (2). Option 3 may be used by teams not playing in any tournaments or playing in more than two tournaments. Option 3 also may be used by teams who are eliminated in tournaments, i.e., County – Conference – League – and wish to schedule games to get to a twenty-six maximum total.

Section 9 Quarters per Day, per Week Basketball player shall play no more than five (5) quarters during the same calendar day, with a maximum of fifteen (15) quarters per week. This would include freshman, sophomore, junior varsity, and varsity competition. If a school selected the four games per week option in Section 7 (above), no player's maximum quarters per week shall exceed twenty (20).

CL: Violations of this section result in ineligible participation and forfeiture of the game.