

# Basketball Rules

1. Pick even teams.
2. When choosing teams, pick only one person at a time. No double picking.
3. When you've been chosen for a team, don't say you don't want to be on that team.
4. Don't change teams. You must play with your team the entire recess.
5. There can only be **5** players on the court for each team.
6. Pass the ball to your teammates. Give them all a chance to play.
7. Play by the rules: No penalties—double dribbling, traveling, air dribbling, stepping out of bounds with the ball, etc.
8. If a play causes a penalty, the other team gets the ball out of bounds.
9. No fouling—throwing the ball at another player, pushing, hitting, swearing, spitting, foul language, tripping, etc. If a foul happens, the fouled player gets **2** free throws for each foul.
10. Don't take the ball away from someone else when they're stopped or are dribbling. Wait until they pass or shoot, then catch the ball.
11. After a basket is made, the other team gets the ball out of bounds on the end line. The defense should wait at half court for the other team.
12. Take a time out when someone gets hurt.
13. Goal=2 points
14. Free throw=1 point