

Fact Sheet– Special Olympics 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament

- ◆ There are six available parking lots surrounding the Ferris Athletic Center. Please see attached map for parking and building location information.
- ◆ All participants **must** be 18 years of age or older **and** must fill out a participant waiver. The waiver is available online @ soct.convio.net/3v3basketball and will be available at the event.
- ◆ Food and drinks will be available at concession stands outside of the gym. All proceeds will go directly to Special Olympics Hartford. Other food/drinks at the event is prohibited.
- ◆ The tournament will have two divisions: **competitive** and **recreational**. Both divisions will follow the same format **except** the Recreational division will play NBA style (defense gets possession after made basket) and the competitive division will play “make it, take it.” Please sign up according to your skill level and desired level of competition.
- ◆ Restrooms are located inside the Ferris Athletic Center.
- ◆ Spectators are asked to donate \$5 in admission cost to benefit the fundraiser.
- ◆ Halfway through the tournament, play will be stopped to showcase a fifteen-minute Unified Game between Special Olympics athletes and unified partners. Please see flier at event for more details.
- ◆ A medically-trained volunteer team will be on site throughout the day.
- ◆ Make checks payable to: ***Special Olympics Hartford***

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Tournament Rules—

3 on 3 Basketball

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- ◆ Each game will be played on a fifteen-minute timer. The clock will not stop unless a timeout has been called by a team or by the official. Games will be half court.
- ◆ The championship games of each division will be played on a twenty-minute timer. There will be two ten-minute halves with a two-minute halftime period in between.
- ◆ The tournament format, including the championship game(s), is double elimination.
- ◆ The recreational division will play NBA-style rules (possession changes after all made baskets). The competitive division will play “make it, take it” (offense keeps the ball after made baskets).
- ◆ The team with the higher score at the end of the game is the winner. There is no win-by-two rule.
- ◆ Each team is given one 30-second timeout per game. At this time, team substitutions are permissible. Teams cannot make substitutions unless a timeout has been called or a player has been injured.
- ◆ Baskets scored from inside the three-point arc count as one (1) point. Baskets scored from outside the three-point arc count as two (2) points.
- ◆ All games will be officiated by volunteer referees.
- ◆ On a change of possession, steal, rebound, air ball, etc..., the defensive team must take the ball outside the 3-point arc to establish itself as the offense.
- ◆ Alternating possession on all jump ball situations will be in effect.
- ◆ After a score, foul, or out-of-bounds, the offense will begin possession at the top of the key. There will be no free throws attempted.
- ◆ After a made basket, the offensive team must pass the ball between teammates once before a shot is attempted. This rule does not apply to non-made basket changes of possession.
- ◆ If the game ends in a tie after regulation time, there will be a two minute overtime period.
- ◆ Possession will be determined by a coin toss. Ties at the end of any overtime period will result in successive one minute periods until the tie has been broken. Possession will alternate after all made baskets for both the recreational and competitive division.
- ◆ **Slow play:** It is a violation to intentionally “stall” or attempt to freeze the ball during play. Officials will be monitoring this and a violation of this rule will result in a change of possession.



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