

AAU Eligibility Rules Vermont State Tournament

In order to compete in State event, ALL players must be verified. To become verified, players must either register on National Sports ID OR come with a copy of their most recent report card which includes date of birth (if no date of birth, please bring both report card AND copy of birth certificate).

All players must have an AAU card, with club code, for the current season.

Challenge: *Challenges MUST occur BEFORE the game and a 100 dollar fee will be assessed. On confirmed challenges the 100 dollars will be refunded. Coaches must have a copy of their roster (printed or digital) at all times at the Vermont State Tournament events including player name, number, and date of birth. Players who are found to be illegal will be ejected immediately, their coach will also be assessed a technical foul per player proven to be ineligible. Coaches are only allowed to challenge up to 3 players on the opposing team. If more than 1 player is proven illegal, a forfeit is assessed and the team is ineligible to advance. If the challenging coach is incorrect, he/she will be assessed a technical foul *more than one incorrect challenge will result in ejection*

For National Sports ID:

[Players Register Here!](#)

[Coaches Register Here!](#)

For teams that have chosen to organize on the basis of the athletes grade, and who have players who do not meet the age eligibility criteria for age based teams, the AAU provides grade based competition in the divisions listed below following these eligibility requirements.

Proof of photo identification for eligibility must be available for review, by an AAU designee at all AAU licensed competitions. If the documents are not available the team is subject to removal from the competition. Acceptable documents include any of the following:

- a. An unexpired Passport

- b. Valid Driver's License

c. Department of Motor Vehicles I.D. card issued within three (3) years

d. Military Dependent I.D.

e. Electronic Age Verification through Sports Age ID (A one-time registration fee of only \$15.00 covers 100% of all updating and processing fees for as long as an athlete participates in the AAU Boys Basketball Program) or National Sports ID (A yearly fee of \$10.00 validates your eligibility for licensed AAU events).

f. IN ADDITION to one of the proof of age eligibility items listed above in “a” through “e”, Proof of Grade must be available for review by an AAU designee at all AAU licensed competitions in the Grade Based division. If the documents are not available, the team is subject to removal from the competition. Acceptable Proof of Grade documents include any of the following:

1. A photocopy of that portion of the athletes’ report card for the current school year which shows name, grade and school.

2. Confirmation of grade level from a school administrator (guidance counselor, principal, dean, etc.) on school letterhead.

Grade Based Age Requirements

12th Grade Division An athlete must be in the 12th grade as of October 1, 2018 and can be no older than 19 on or before August 31, 2019.

11th Grade Division An athlete must be in the 11th grade as of October 1, 2018 can be no older than 18 on or before August 31, 2019. For an athlete that is in the 12th grade as of October 1, 2018 wanting to petition to playdown, in the 11th grade division they can be no older than 17 on or before August 31, 2019.

10th Grade Division An athlete must be in the 10th grade as of October 1, 2018 and can be no older than 17 on or before August 31, 2019. For an athlete that is in the 11th grade as of October 1, 2018 wanting to petition to play down, in the 10th grade division they can be no older than 16 on or before August 31, 2019.

9th Grade Division An athlete must be in the 9th grade as of October 1, 2018 and can be no older than 16 on or before August 31, 2019. For an athlete that is in the 10th grade as of October 1, 2018

wanting to petition to play down, in the 9th grade division they can be no older than 15 on or before August 31, 2019.

8th Grade Division An athlete must be in the 8th grade as of October 1, 2018 and can be no older than 15 on or before August 31, 2019. For an athlete that is in the 9th grade as of October 1, 2018 wanting to petition to play down, in the 8th grade division they can be no older than 14 on or before August 31, 2019.

7th Grade Division An athlete must be in the 7th grade as of October 1, 2018 and can be no older than 14 on or before August 31, 2019. For an athlete that is in the 8th grade as of October 1, 2018 wanting to petition to play down, in the 7th grade division they can be no older than 13 on or before August 31, 2019.

6th Grade Division An athlete must be in the 6th grade as of October 1, 2018 and can be no older than 13 on or before August 31, 2019. For an athlete that is in the 7th grade as of October 1, 2018 wanting to petition to play down, in the 6th grade division they can be no older than 12 on or before August 31, 2019.

5th Grade Division An athlete must be in the 5th grade as of October 1, 2018 and can be no older than 12 on or before August 31, 2019. For an athlete that is in the 6th grade as of October 1, 2018 wanting to petition to play down, in the 5th grade division they can be no older than 11 on or before August 31, 2019.

4th Grade Division An athlete must be in the 4th grade as of October 1, 2018 and can be no older than 11 on or before August 31, 2019. For an athlete that is in the 5th grade as of October 1, 2018 wanting to petition to play down, in the 4th grade division they can be no older than 10 on or before August 31, 2019.

3rd Grade Division An athlete must be in the 3rd grade as of October 1, 2018 and can be no older than 10 on or before August 31, 2019. For an athlete that is in the 4th grade as of October 1, 2018 wanting to petition to play down, in the 3rd grade division they can be no older than 9 on or before August 31, 2019.

2nd Grade Division An athlete must be in the 2nd grade as of October 1, 2018 and can be no older than 9 on or before August 31, 2019. For an athlete that is in the 3rd grade as of October 1, 2018 wanting to petition to play down, in the 2nd grade division they can be no older than 8 on or before August 31, 2019.

AAU is a grade based organization. Each grade division consists of a 24-month age window which determines an athletes' participation in that division. If an athletes' age is outside the 24-month window for their grade, the athlete must play up to the grade division that is normal and customary

for their age. If an athlete is in any grade above what is normal and customary for their age, that athlete may petition to play down provided they meet the established criteria.

An athlete is eligible to play down a grade provided they meet the requirements listed in the chart below.

AGE REQUIREMENTS TO PLAY DOWN A GRADE DIVISION

Grade as of Oct.1st, 2018	Requested Grade	Birthdate Requirements
12th Grade	11th Grade	born on or after 9/1/2001
11th Grade	10th Grade	born on or after 9/1/2002
10th Grade	9th Grade	born on or after 9/1/2003
9th Grade	8th Grade	born on or after 9/1/2004
8th Grade	7th Grade	born on or after 9/1/2005
7th Grade	6th Grade	born on or after 9/1/2006
6th Grade	5th Grade	born on or after 9/1/2007
5th Grade	4th Grade	born on or after 9/1/2008
4th Grade	3rd Grade	born on or after 9/1/2009
3rd Grade	2nd Grade	born on or after 9/1/2010