

## YMCA MIT Basketball Tournament Letter/Procedures/Policies

Player Passes: Each player must present their pass in order to gain entrance. ONLY players may use this pass. Please distribute the passes to your team members. Lost passes will result in a game admission charge.

Coach Passes: Please have these available in order to enter any site. ONLY coaches are allowed to use the coach pass. Only two coaches' passes per team are distributed. Coaches will hand in their pass at the gate admission at the first game and receive a tournament bracelet to use for the weekend to get into games.

Scorekeeper/Timing Passes: Included is one pass for your scorekeeper/timer. Each team must provide one volunteer to serve as a scorekeeper or timer. Scorekeepers and/or timers (one from each team) need to understand the game of basketball and the MIT tournament rules in terms of using the score sheet and knowing the timing rules. If the two volunteers cannot decide on their duty, the Home team will keep the score sheet. Scorekeepers/timers must be 16 years of age or older. No cheering during the game is allowed at the scorer's table. Falsification/intentional error will be grounds for forfeiture of game and removal of volunteer/pass from tournament. Scorekeepers will hand in their pass at the gate admission at the first game and receive a tournament bracelet to use for the weekend to get into games.

Per Lincoln City Mandate, face masks are required in all indoor spaces in Lincoln/Lancaster county Nebraska. Masks are required to be worn by all coaches/scorekeepers/spectators and players while not actively on court during game action. See MIT Tournament Policy Sheet for further information.

Fan Attendance: FOUR spectators allowed per participant and YMCA admission staff and site supervisor will be monitoring attendance.

General first aid items will also be available from supervisors.

The YMCA assumes no responsibility for injury or loss of valuables.

Shower facilities will not be available, only restrooms. Please have players bring game shoes to facilities to help keep courts clean.

Player medals will be given for  $1^{st}$  and  $2^{nd}$  place in 4 and 5 team brackets,  $1^{st}$ ,  $2^{nd}$ , and  $3^{rd}$  in 6 team brackets,  $1^{st}$ ,  $2^{nd}$ , and consolation for 8 team brackets.

Admission for parents and fans: \$6.00 per day for adults; \$4.00 per day for seniors (over 60), \$3.00 per day for children 5–16. Children under 5 are free. **Again for 2021 will be weekend pass that can be purchased on Saturday for admission all weekend to the MIT.** A weekend pass for adults is \$10.00, Senior Adults over 60 \$6.00, Youth under 15 is \$4.00. Please pass this information to your team parents. This is a fund raiser for the Lincoln YMCA Youth Sports Branch. All proceeds help support youth programs.

Official souvenir t-shirts will be on sale via MIT online store.

Remember fun, fellowship and sportsmanship are the basis of the tournament. We hope you will treat your opponent in the same positive manner you will be treating your own team. Only positive comments to players, officials and opponents will be accepted. Inappropriate behavior will be penalized. Removal from site and tournament is possible.

There will be site supervisors at each site. Any questions may be directed to any of these individuals. Always be calm in your approach to the people in charge of our sites.

Misrepresentation or inappropriate behavior by coach/player/parent/fan/scorekeeper may result in forfeiture of games to be decided by tournament director. No refund. This is an invitational tournament. Please do not jeopardize your teams' future in upcoming tournaments. The YMCA reserves the right to refuse any team because of inappropriate behavior for the 2021 MIT. Please represent your community appropriately.

Do not bounce balls in hallways. Coaches are responsible for warm-up balls. Remain in hallways until previous game is completed, please respect the game being played. Warm-up time is limited.

Only bottles with lids allowed in the gyms. Please clean up your area when game is complete.

If an athlete/coach/parent is ejected from a game for unsportsmanlike conduct, he/she will be suspended for the next game and will need permission from Tournament Director to participate/attend future games; depending upon severity of act.

Remember, the Nebraska State High School Boys Tournament is also in town on Saturday, March 14. There will be plenty of things to do and see in Lincoln. If you have any questions about directions / locations, ask any Optimist volunteer or YMCA staff. Please drive safely and allow adequate time for driving across town.

Every effort was made on our part to assign your team to a bracket of equal skill level. No changes to a roster can be made unless your team is in bracket #1 or your additions do not improve your teams initial ranking. Changes to roster must be made in writing i.e. fax (402-434-9208)/email and be granted by tournament director prior to March 10.

The tournament directors would like to RECOMMEND that each player on your roster participate in every game. Please be considerate of your players and allow them to experience the tournament.

In case of severe/inclement weather-please call 402-434-9211 for tournament status. If tournament is canceled because of weather a \$70.00 fee will be retained for already incurred costs. There will be NO REFUNDS if the tournament is played and teams are unable to make scheduled games. No revisement of the schedule is possible.

A final word on officials. We try to provide registered/certified officials for all games. Please be tolerant of all staff people. No complaints about officials will be allowed. Inappropriate behavior will not be allowed-offenders may be asked to leave the premises.

On the weekend of the Tournament, rules and regulation questions may be directed to Todd Johnson at 402-434-9217 or tjohnson@ymcalincoln.org.

Enjoy the tournament.

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