BHBL 2022 PMPR EMAIL – RATIONALE

To all Minor, Major Senior and Super Senior Division Players, Parents and Coaches –

We hope you are all enjoying March Madness 2022 at the BHBL.

As you all know, the BHBL utilizes a Playoff Must Play Rule or PMPR during the playoffs.

A purpose for this rule is to balance as best as possible, the number of segments each player can play when teams have a different number of players at the game. Additionally, the PMPR is designed to make sure that all players act responsibly by being at your games at least 15 minutes prior to the start of the game.

This concept is based on our Positive Coaching principle of “ROOTS” where all BHBL participants HONOR THE GAME by RESPECTING the “R” rules, your “O” opponents, the “O” officials, your “T” teammates, and your “S” self.

Respecting your teammates means every player must be at their game on time. If you cannot be at your game then you must contact your coach and let him or her know. This is one of the ways we HONOR THE GAME at the BHBL.

If you know you are going to be late to your game, you must contact your coach and let him or her know.

Parents, we ask that you HONOR THE GAME by respecting the “ROOTS” of the game at the BHBL along with your kids.

One way you can HONOR THE GAME is to make sure to get your BHBL players to their game at least 15 minutes prior to the start of their game.

Here is the Playoff Must Play Rule for our 2022 double elimination playoff format:

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| # of players | Current must play rule “MPR” | Playoff must play rule “PMPR” |
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| 10 | 10 play 4 | Min 3 , Max 5 |
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| 9 | 5 play 4, 4 play 5 | Min 3 , Max 5 |
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| 8 | 8 play 5 | Min 3 , Max 5 |
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| 7 | 5 play 6, 2 play 5 | Min 3, Max 6 |
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| 6 | 4 play 7, 2 play 6 | Min 3, Max 7 |
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| 5 | 5 play 8 | Min 3, Max 8 |

The left column represents the number of players each team has at the game. The middle column describes the regular season Must Play Rule (“MPR”). The right column represents the Playoff Must Play Rule (“PMPR”).

Here is how it works:

1. If both teams have the same number of players, then both teams must use the regular season MPR;
2. If one team has fewer players than their opponent, then the team with more players may choose to use the PMPR. It is not mandatory. You may always use the regular season MPR.
3. If a team chooses to use the PMPR, they may use the PMPR that matches the number of players their opponent is playing with. For example, if your team has 9 players and your opponent has 7 players you may play your players a minimum of 3 segments and a maximum of 6 segments. The team with 7 players may not play any player more than 6 segments.
4. If a player or players come late to a game, that player or players must play at least one half of the remaining segments in the game. A player is late to a game is he/she arrives after the start of game. There is no change to the MPR or PMPR used by both teams at the start of the game.
5. If a player replaces an injured player during a period, the replacement player will not be charged with that segment.
6. If a player fouls out of a game the coach must choose the player who has played the fewest number of segments as the replacement.
7. The MPR and/or PMPR will not apply to any overtime periods.

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Thank you very much for your support.

HONOR THE GAME…HAVE FUN