

## **U8 MODIFIED RULES**

All FIBA Basketball rules apply unless a modification is listed below.

Rule	Modification
Coaching	Coaches allowed on court to provide direction and coaching but MUST not interfere with games in any way (must remain outside of the middle third)
Players	Each team to have 4 players on the court - 4 on 4
Timing	Clock does NOT stop in last 3 mins
3 Second / 5 Second / 8 Second Rule	NOT TO BE APPLIED Coaches are to talk to their players and coach them to throw the ball in or move through the key.  (3-sec key, 5-sec inbound, 8-sec back court)
Ring Height	Lowered (When available)
Free Throws	Shortened Free Throw Line
Defence	Man to Man Defence - NO DOUBLE TEAMING
Mercy Rule	10 Points - Defence must retreat to 3-point line defence if they are winning by margin greater than 10 points
Travel	Leniency to be applied to travels in the open backcourt. Allow some 'stutter' steps when coming to a stop, after dribbling. All travels that gain an advantage and result in a score, MUST BE CALLED.
Double Dribble	Leniency to be applied to 2-hand dribble. Coach and referee to attempt to talk during play, if repeat occurrence, to be called (Referee to explain why). Ending a dribble (and stopping) and starting again should mostly be called