



JAO Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) for Pasadena Bruins teams

Administration

- Q: What are the deadlines for the JAO Leagues?
A: Please refer to the JAO Invitational Basketball 2015 Deadlines and Events emailed to Bruins team reps and also posted on the Bruins website ("Bruin Members" section).
- Q: Does JAO have a website to post scores and standings?
A: Scores and standings are posted in the Sports section of the Rafu (www.rafu.com).
- Q: Does my team need to purchase JAO Bingo tickets?
A: Only teams participating in JAO Winter League **must** purchase one JAO Bingo ticket for each player listed on the roster. Tickets are distributed by JAO (usually the scorekeeper) at a game to be determined before the JAO Bingo in February.
- Q: Who needs basic first aid certification (not CPR)?
A: Per JAO Rules, "There shall be no more than three coaches on the bench. Two of the three coaches to complete basic first aid class per paragraph 2(i) above (one of the two Coaches completing First Aid must be an Adult over the age of 21 and should be on the bench for all games)." Online or internet first aid courses are NOT accepted by JAO.
- Q: Who must attend the New Coaches meeting?
A: All new coaches are required to attend this meeting which is held once a year during the Fall. Coaches only need to attend once. Bruins JAO rep will advise the date/time of the meeting.
- Q: Where may I find the JAO Rules?
A: JAO Rules are forwarded to the team representative along with the league schedule and also posted on the Bruins website ("Bruin Members" section).
Current version: JAO_RULES_2015_(rev_10_27_14)_w_STOP-_final.pdf
- Q: Does my team need to submit the Community Service forms?
A: All players in the Midget/Junior divisions (Midget Bronze/Silver/Gold, Junior Silver/Gold divisions) are required to complete 3 hours of community service.
All players in the Prep division are required to complete 2 hours of community service.
- Q: Are t-shirts available for Prep League?
A: JAO t-shirts are distributed only for Winter League Midget and Junior Divisions and the cost is included in the league fee.
- Q: Are JAO eligibility requirements less strict for Summer League?
A: No, the eligibility requirements remain the same.

Leagues

Q: When does the league start?

A: Winter League begins in early January and runs through mid March.
Prep League begins in mid March and runs through the end of May.
Summer League begins in June and is completed before July 4th.

Q: When will the league schedule be released?

A: Winter League mid to end of December
Prep League early March
Summer League mid May

Q: Are Junior Gold teams eligible to participate in Prep League?

A: Yes, Junior Gold teams may participate in Prep League.

Games

Q: Which team is the home team?

A: The home team shall be listed on the right side of the game schedule and wears the white jersey ("right is white").

Q: May players wear t-shirts under the uniforms?

A: If players wear a t-shirt, then the t-shirt must match the color of the jersey. For example, a white t-shirt must be worn with a white jersey.

Q: What uniform number may be chosen by players?

A: Per JAO rules, "Using digits higher than 5 on dual numbered jerseys are prohibited."

Q: May players wear earrings during the game?

A: For safety reasons, players are required to remove all earrings and studs. Taping earrings and studs is also not permitted.

Q: Are scoresheets required to be submitted by teams?

A: JAO will provide and does not require scoresheets submitted by the teams.

JAO Jamboree

Q: What time does the JAO Jamboree begin?

A: There is usually a clinic from 9 am to 11 am and awards are presented afterwards.

Q: What time does the JAO Jamboree end?

A: Usually will conclude by 12:30 pm.

Q: Does my team need to attend the JAO Jamboree?

A: Pasadena Bruins teams are encouraged to participate and also pick up the JAO t-shirts and/or awards which are distributed. JAO requires attendance in order to receive the Sportsmanship Award.

Q: How does JAO determine the t-shirt sizes for the JAO t-shirts distributed at the JAO Jamboree?

A: JAO orders the t-shirts based on the sizes for each player listed on the team roster submitted.