Illinois State Alliance of YMCAs

2-Ball Tournament



OVERVIEW

Objective: Two person teams compete to score the most points by shooting basketballs from designated spots on the court for a limited time.
Teams: Two players per team.
Ages: Boys and Girls divisions in each of the following age groups:

- 9U
- 10U
- 12U
- 14U (high school students are not eligible to compete)

Equipment: Standard basketball court with marked shooting spots in the half court setting. One basketball each of required size. A regulation 10' basket is required. Please do not offer lower hoop heights.
Ball Sizes:

- All Girls divisions will use a 28.5-inch ball size 6 ball
- Boys 9U will use a 28.5-inch ball size 6 ball
- Boys 10U and up will use 29.5-inch ball size 7

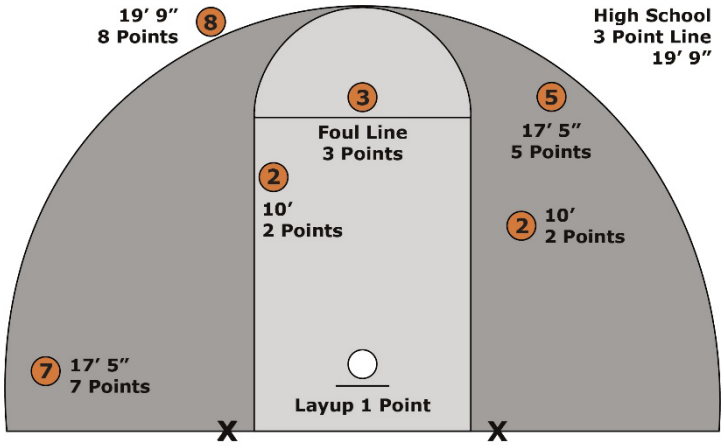
RULES

Game Setup:

1. **Court Setup**: Six designated shooting spots with assigned point values, as diagramed below.
2. **Each YMCA will supply their own floor markers.**
   - 9-inch nonslip floor markers, available on Amazon 12 markers for $19.99
   - Official Alliance 2-ball logo, reusable 2-foot diameter floor markers available to order by Dec. 1.
3. **Time Limit**: Teams will shoot continuously for 60 seconds.

GAMEPLAY

Starting the Game:
One player from each team is required to inbound the ball from the **designated baseline inbound spot (X)** by passing the ball to their teammate who will be stationed anywhere within the playing surface. Once the ball is passed in and hits the hands of the other player the clock starts.



Shooting:
Players must alternate shots throughout the competition.

Scoring:

- Points are awarded based on the point value of each designated spot from which the shot is made.
- The 1-point "Layup" will only count once for each teammate for a maximum score of 2 points per team
- For the shot to count, some part of the player's foot must be in contact with the floor marker at the beginning of the shot attempt.

- The team's total score will be the cumulative total of all shots made during the 60 second competition.
- Each team is allowed to participate up to three (3) times at the local competition. Their top score should be considered against all other teams.

Continuous Play:
- The game continues without pauses until the 60 second time limit is reached.
- Players must quickly move between spots, shoot, rebound, and pass to maximize their scoring opportunities.

WINNING THE GAME

Final Score:
The team with the highest total score at the end of the designated time limit is the winner.

State Finalist:
- Two teams from each age group, from all local YMCA competitions across the state, will advance to the State Final Competition, as outlined below.
- Winning Scores for all competitions will be compiled electronically into one database. The top two teams in each category will advance.

Tiebreaker:
For the Preliminary Rounds (held at local Y's):
Any tie to determine the winner, that occurs at the local event, will be settled by taking each team's 2nd best score of their original 3 tries. If still tied, then use the 3rd best score.
- If there is still a tie, then the winner will be declared by the team who has made the most 5-point baskets in each team's highest scoring round.

For Ties between Age Group Winners at Local Competitions to Determine the Sate Finalist:
Use the same tie-breaker system as outlined above for the preliminary rounds.

For the State Final Competition:
In the event of a tie, a sudden-death round can be played where the first team to make a shot from the **2-point wing** position wins.

STATE QUALIFIER BREAKDOWN

Girls – March 6, 2027, Redbird Arena, Normal, IL
Boys – March 13, 2027, State Farm Arena, Champaign, IL
9U Division: 2 Teams play during halftime of 1A Championship
10U Division: 2 Teams play during halftime of 2A Championship
12U Division: 2 Teams play during halftime of 3A Championship
14U Division: 2 Teams play during halftime of 4A Championship