

**MANITOWOC COUNTY CATHOLIC GIRLS LEAGUE  
BI-LAWS**

**ARTICLE I NAME**

This League will operate under the title of MANITOWOC COUNTY CATHOLIC GIRLS BASKETBALL LEAGUE (M.C.C.G.B.L.).

**ARTICLE II OBJECT**

The object of this League is to promote and encourage good sportsmanship and competitive athletics by organized play in the Manitowoc County grade schools. The League shall sponsor a basketball league.

**ARTICLE III OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Section 1. Officers of the League shall be as follows: a. President, b. Vice-President, c. Secretary-Treasurer, d. Board of Governing Directors.

Section 2. (A) The President, Vice-President, Secretary-Treasurer shall be elected at the May meeting and shall hold office for one year. (B) Officers may be elected for more than one term. (C) The Vice-President automatically becomes President. (D) The board of governing directors shall consist of one director from each school. He may be the Athletic Director, Coach, Principal or other member chosen by his school. (E) All officers shall give their service without charge.

**ARTICLE IV DUTIES OF OFFICERS**

Section 1. President shall be chief executive officer of the League. He shall have charge of the meetings and be responsible for the general conduct of the League.

Section 2. Vice-President shall have charge of the meetings in the absence of the President.

Section 3. Secretary-Treasurer shall take minutes of all meetings and record the same. He shall answer all necessary correspondence, and shall inform all members in writing of League meetings at least three days in advance. He shall also receive and account for all money due the League and shall issue such checks and statements as authorized by the Board of Directors. He shall provide and present lists to the governing board before the League starts.

Section 4. Board of Directors shall have general supervision and management of all affairs of the League. Each Director has the power to cast one ballot, which power is forfeited by failure to attend the meetings. This board shall also decide all protests with the exception of the two schools involved having no vote on the question. The President of the League has the deciding vote in case of a tie.

Section 5. The President of the League is not a governing director and not a voting member.

**ARTICLE V MEETINGS**

Section 1. The first regular League meeting shall be called not later than the end of September and there will be at least four meetings per year.

Section 2. Meetings shall rotate at various schools of the League when needed. Special meetings shall be called by the President when such action is deemed advisable.

Section 3. A meeting is official if a majority of the League members are present.

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## ARTICLE V MEETINGS (Continued)

Section 4. Each school must have a representative at every League meeting. Any school missing two consecutive unexcused meetings will be subject to a fine, suspension or both (Updated 9/01).

## ARTICLE VI MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Charter members of the League are: St. Boniface, St. Andrew, Holy Innocents, St. Mary, Sacred Heart and St. Paul of Manitowoc; St. Mary of Clarks Mills, TRCC of Two Rivers, Holy Cross of Mishicot, St. Mary of Reedsville, St. Michael of Whitelaw, St. Gregory of St. Nazianz, St. Anne of Francis Creek.

Section 2. Any other Catholic grade school in Manitowoc County may be admitted or reinstated to the League with the two-thirds vote of the members present at the regular meeting.

Section 3. The League will consist of four divisions. Division I and II will consist of city and rural schools, respectively. Division III and IV will include all Little Hooper teams. (Updated 1/95).

## ARTICLE VII PLAYERS

Section 1. All players of the League teams shall be registered with the League Secretary before their first game of the season. The roster is to include full names, jersey numbers and birth dates.

Section 2. Any additions to the roster must be submitted to the Secretary before their participation in the game.

Section 3. All members of the Leagues' teams must be pupils of the school they represent, except when you don't have a 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> grade; then the pupils' parents must be a member of the church. If the parish has no school the players' parents must be members of the parish for the players to participate.

Section 4. Official opening of the season is November of each year. A girl who reaches the age of fifteen before the official opening of the season becomes ineligible for play during that season. If a girl reaches the age of fifteen after a season begins, she is eligible to finish play during that season including playoffs.

Section 5. No individuals in grades 5, 6, 7, or 8 who is a member of a school sponsored basketball team, shall participate on another basketball team that involves organized practice, competitive away games (games requiring travel outside the municipal limits), selection by ability or all star status, during the regular season. The season shall begin with the starting date and conclude with the final game that an individual plays as a member of their school team. (Updated 1/95, 1/01).

Section 6. Any infringement of these rules will cause the offending team to forfeit all games in which the offending player took part.

## ARTICLE VII OFFICIALS

Officials are to be approved at a Board of Directors meeting of the respective division of the League at a basketball meeting.

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## ARTICLE IX PLAYOFFS AND TOURNAMENTS

Section 1. The League will sponsor an annual Basketball Playoff. The top team in Division I and II will be seeded in opposite brackets for the playoffs. League playoff format will be a double elimination with reversion back to consolation after first loss. The Little Hooper Playoffs will follow the same format.

Section 2. No team may play in more than 3 tournaments outside the League Playoffs (Updated 2/90).

## ARTICLE X TROPHIES

The winner and runner up in Division I and II shall be awarded a team trophy each year. The first, second, third and fourth place championship and first and second consolation teams shall be awarded a team trophy for play in the League playoffs. This organization shall award individual trophies to the first place team in each division. The first and second championship team and the first consolation team shall be awarded individual trophies in the League playoffs. Divisions III and IV first, second, third and fourth and first and second consolation teams will be awarded team trophies in the League Playoffs. Individual trophies will be awarded to the first, second, and third championship team in League Playoffs. There will be no division team trophies for Divisions III and IV, but individual medals will be issued to each participant. There will be no divisional playoffs and tied teams will be co-champs. A team sportsmanship trophy will be awarded for Divisions I and II at the end of the League playoffs. (Updated 9/97).

## ARTICLE XI LIABILITY

No responsibility for personal injuries to players in basketball games shall be attached to the League.

## ARTICLE XII PENALTIES

Section 1. All schedule games must be played at designated time and place unless Act of God intervenes. Any team failing to notify the opposing team and President of the League of their inability to play a scheduled game at the appointed time shall forfeit said game. Noticification must be given two hours before game time of the day of the game. Tournament games shall not interfere with League games. The League President shall make final decision on ability to play schedule League games due to Act of God.

Section 2. Any Coach or Director who withdraws his team from the field or floor of the game for any reason whatsoever prior to completion of the game, shall suffer the loss of the said game in the League standings. Also, the Board of Directors shall assess a penalty upon the offending school.

Section 3. All protests of games must be made in writing and filed with the League President not later than 48 hours after the scheduled game.

Section 4. Violation of the above Constitution by a member school will be penalized \$50.00 or one year's suspension or both. The governing board will make the decision.

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**ARTICLE XII**

This Constitution shall be effective immediately and shall be subject to change or amendment only by a two-thirds vote of League members.

This Constitution has been adopted on September 28, 1982. (Updated 4/91, 1/95, 9/97, 1/01).

**BASKETBALL RULES:**

The League will be governed under WIAA rules and Diocesan Board of Education Regulations.

**LEAGUE PLAY:**

- A. No Team may play more than 15 games in a regular season. A team may not play more than three games in a week with the exception of tournament play. (Fiscal week begins on Sunday).
- B. No team may play more than one game per day.
- C. Scrimmage is defined as play during which no time ore score is kept and the coaches must interrupt the scrimmage to give coaching advice.
- D. Violation of the above rules will be penalized a sum of \$50.00 or a one year suspension if fine is not paid.
- E. All teams must provide their own first aid kit.
- F. The League will use a women's size regulation basketball.