ADDRESS: (The Ohio State University)

Recreation & Physical Activity Center (RPAC)
337 Annie & John Glenn Ave.
Columbus, OH 43210

PARKING:

Everyone must pay to park on the campus of The Ohio State University. There are surface lots on the east and west sides of the football stadium (Ohio Stadium) and parking garages surrounding the facility that are available for players, guests and staff of the tournament to use. Below are some of the current rates to park on campus at Ohio State according to CampusParc.

1. Surface Lot Hourly Rates:
   a. Pay-by-Plate/Pay-N-Display Machine: $1.75/Hour
   b. Pay-by-Plate/Pay-N-Display Machine: $7.00 for off-peak max
      i. Off-peak max: 6 p.m. – midnight weekdays, all day weekends

2. Garage Hourly Rates:
   a. Daily Max: $11.75
   b. Off-peak max: $7.00
      i. Off-peak max: 6 p.m. – midnight weekdays, all day weekends
   c. Lost Ticket: $29.25

NOTE: (Outside) signage for location of and direction to the facility will be provided for teams, guests and staff of the tournament.

Directions from all major highways are provided in the Visiting Team Guide on page 10.

LOCATION:
(Restrooms, Food, Athletic Trainers, Spectator Seating)

All of the scheduled contests of the tournament will be played in the Recreation & Physical Activity Center (RPAC), Friday – Sunday. Up to twelve (12) courts will be used, which are located throughout the facility in the North and South Gym area, Upper Gym area, and the Tom W. Davis special event area.

NOTE: Location and directional signage to all courts within the facility will be available.

Restrooms:

Restrooms will located throughout the facility on the each level that games will be played.

Food:

Food will be available for purchase inside of the RPAC at Courtside Café or Juice 2, located in the upper main space of the facility.
Athletic Trainers:

Athletic Trainers will be available to provide care to all athletes participating in the tournament. Trainers will be stationed on each level that games will be played in the facility. Signage will be available to help identify the location of each athletic training station.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** Participants are required to provide their own athletic tape, pre-wrap, etc. when receiving any type of treatment and/or trainer attention during the tournament.

Spectator Seating:

Spectator seating will be provided in the Tom W. Davis special events gym for the championship contest of each division (Women’s Club, Women’s Intramural, Men’s Club, and Men’s Intramural) ONLY. Spectators will NOT be allowed to view contests in the following areas:

1. In between courts – on the sideline(s)
2. On either baseline of any active court

TEAM CHECK-IN AND REGISTRATION:
(Player Certification Form, Player Check-in, Jerseys, and Rosters)

Team check-in for all divisions:

1. **Location:** Lower Main Space/Amphitheater of the RPAC
2. **Day/Date:** Friday, April 21st
3. **Time:** Noon until 3 p.m.

**NOTE:** Signage for direction and location of this space for this event of the tournament will be available.

There will be tournament staff and volunteers available during check-in to answer any questions and provide important information.

Player Certification Form:

Each team must submit a **Player Certification Form** that is verified by the registrar’s office of their respective institution. The form can be found in the “Documents” area on the main page of the NIRSA National Basketball Championships via Ohio State’s RecSports website. This form must be received by **Monday, April 3rd** by mailing it to the following address:

ATTN: Katie Lee  
B106 Recreation & Physical Activity Center (RPAC)  
The Ohio State University  
337 Annie & John Glenn Ave.  
Columbus, Ohio 43210

Teams are able to scan and face Player Certification Forms, however you will need to bring the **ORIGINAL COPY** to team check in. Please fax to Katie Lee at 614-292-4105.
**Player Check-in:**

All players must present a valid picture ID at least 15 minutes before each game they play to the tournament staff assigned at the scorer’s table of their court. Valid picture ID examples include a Driver's License or Student ID.

**Jerseys:**

Each team must supply at least one (1) set of jerseys, preferably reversible.

**GAME TIME:**

(Game Clock, Timeouts, Bonus & Double Bonus, Dunking, Overtime, Sportsmanship, Rule Interpretations, Player Eligibility)

**Game Clock & Timeouts:**

1. The game shall consist of two (2) 20-minute halves.
2. The clock will run continuously until the last two (2) minutes of each half when it will stop for all fouls, violations, and time-outs. [Exception: if a team is ahead by 15 or more points anytime during the last two (2) minutes of the second half, the clock will continue to run without stopping until the point differential is below 15 pts.].
3. Halftime will be five (5) minutes in length.
4. Each team is permitted three (3) time-outs per game; each one (1) minute in length.

**Bonus & Double Bonus:**

1. A bonus free throw shall be awarded for each common foul (except a player control foul or team control foul) committed by a player of a team beginning with that team’s 7th foul in a half, provided the first attempt is successful. Player and team control fouls are counted as team fouls for reaching the bonus.
2. Two (2) free throws shall be awarded for each common foul (except a player control foul and team control foul) committed by a player of a team beginning with that team’s 10th foul in a half. Player and team control fouls are counted as team fouls for reaching the double bonus.

**Dunking:**

1. ONLY permitted during timed play while the clock is running.
2. Hanging on the rim is not allowed (except to prevent injury).
3. No dunking allowed before or after game(s).

**Overtime:**

1. If the score is tied at the end of the second half, play shall continue without a change of baskets for one or more extra periods with a one-minute intermission before each extra period. As many such periods as are necessary to break the tie shall be played.
2. The length of each extra period shall be three (3) minutes. Extra periods are an extension of the second half.
3. The clock will run continuously until the last minute of each extra period when it will stop for all fouls, violations, and time-outs.
4. Each team is allowed one (1) time-out, one (1) minute in length for each overtime period.
5. Time-outs not used during regulation play cannot be used during the overtime period(s).
6. Personal and team fouls do carry over to the extra period(s).
7. Each extra period will begin with a jump ball.

**Sportsmanship:**

1. Technical fouls
   a. Players: two (2) technical fouls in a game results in an ejection
   b. Players: three (3) technical fouls in the tournament results in disqualification
   c. Team: four (4) technical in a game equals forfeit
   d. Team: five (5) in the tournament results in disqualification
   e. Ejections/forfeits require a meeting with the Tournament Committee
2. All shall demonstrate respect to all, but not limited to the following:
   a. Own team members
   b. Opponents
   c. All coaches
   d. Spectators
   e. Game officials
   f. Tournament staff and guests
   g. All facilities (on and off campus)
   h. Host site staff and patrons of the facility

**Correctable Errors (Protocol):**

1. Request a timeout no later than during the 1st dead ball
2. Alert game officials of correctable error for review
3. If correct, team will not be charged with a timeout and error shall be corrected
4. If incorrect, timeout charged or technical foul will be applied

**Protest Protocol (Player Eligibility):**

If a team has been identified as having and competing with an ineligible player according to the NIRSA Player Eligibility Guidelines and current rules according to the National Federation of State High School Association, the following must occur:

a. Teams must protest at the time of discovery
b. Tournament Committee will review and make ruling
POOL PLAY FORMAT & TOURNAMENT SEEDING:

**Pool Play:**

There will be up to four (4) teams per pool in each division of the tournament. Below is how scheduling will occur during pool play:

1. Round 1: Team 1 v. Team 4 & Team 2 v. Team 3
2. Round 2: Winners play & Losers play
3. Must win one (1) game to advance to playoff bracket

**Tournament Seeding:**

The top three (3) teams of each four (4) team pool will advance to the playoffs. The top two (2) teams of each three (3) team pool will advance to the playoffs.

Seeding for the tournament will occur as follows for four (4) team pools:

1. 2 – 0 team in each pool is the #1 seed
2. 1 – 1 team that won round one (1) is the #2 seed
3. Other 1 – 1 team is the #3 seed

Seeding for the tournament will occur as follows for three (3) team pools:

1. 2 – 0 team in each pool is the #1 seed
2. 1 – 1 team in each pool is the #2 seed

Three (3) team pool tie breaker for three (3) 1 – 1 teams:

1. Difference between total points scored v. total points allowed (team with the highest point differential will be the #1 seed)
2. If two (2) teams have the same point differential then head to head competition will determine playoff placement
3. If all three (3) teams have the same point differential then the total points scored will determine playoff placement
4. If two (2) teams have scored the same number of points then head to head will determine playoff placement
5. If all three (3) teams have scored the same number of points then the fewest points allowed will determine playoff placement
TOURNAMENT DRAW(S):

Tournament draws for each division will take place on Saturday in the RPAC: Lower Main Space/Amphitheater. Below are the times for each division’s draw.

1. Women’s Intramural Draw: 11:30 a.m.
2. Men’s Club Draw: 12:15 p.m.
3. Women’s Club Draw: 1:30 p.m.
4. Men’s Intramural Draw: 2:15 p.m.

Teams will select positions in the playoff brackets during their respective tournament draw.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** Each team advancing to the playoffs of the tournament must have a team representative, preferably the captain, to select their position within their division’s bracket. Teams without representation during their division’s draw will be at risk of having their spot selected by tournament staff.

TOURNAMENT (BRACKET) PLAY:
(Single Elimination Tournament, Championship games, Awards)

Single Elimination Tournament:

1. Playoffs will consist of a single elimination bracket for each division
2. Bracket play for each division will begin on Saturday afternoon

Championship Games:

All championship games for each division will be played in the Tom W. Davis special events gym in the RPAC on Sunday.

An awards presentation will immediately follow the championship game of each division.

Awards:

1. One (1) MVP and five (5) players for All-American will be selected for each division
2. Any player assessed a technical foul for unsportsmanlike conduct is ineligible for an award

SPECIAL EVENTS

The 2017 three point and dunk contests are scheduled to occur on Saturday, April 22 in the RPAC, North Gym area. Here are the rules for each event.

The 3 point contest will occur at 3 p.m.

The dunk contest will occur at 5:30 p.m.
REGISTRATION: Online registration for each special event will be available the Tournament Information Area located on the ground level. Participants will be able to register via iPads located at this stations from 4 p.m. on Friday, April 21 until noon on Saturday, April 22.

TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

Website Information:

Please visit the 2017 National Basketball Championships website for tournament information.

Dates:

Registration Opens: Monday, January 9, 2016
Registration Closes: Monday, April 10, 2016

Fees:

Teams that participate in a NIRSA Regional: $375
Teams that do not participate in a NIRSA Regional: $450

Online Registration:

Visit IMLeagues.com to register for the 2017 NIRSA National Basketball Championships in one of the five (5) divisions offered (Women’s Intramural, Men’s Intramural, Women’s Club, Men’s Club, or Unified Sports).

Tournament Rules:

Please see the Rules document via Ohio State’s RecSports website.

Tournament Forms:

Most tournament forms must be completed online by all tournament participants via IMLeagues.com once teams and individuals register.

Players Eligibility forms must be completed and submitted to Jarrode Davis as mentioned previously.
Travel Information:

Please check out page 10 of the Visiting Team Guide for driving directions to The Ohio State University.

Schedules and Brackets:

Please visit the Schedule and Results page for information on pool play, tournament draws, bracket play, and final results.