

**South Shore Girls' Basketball League  
By-Laws for 2001- 2002**

**I. NAME OF THE ORGANIZATION**

The name of the organization shall be the South Shore Girls' Basketball League.

**II. DESCRIPTION OF THE ORGANIZATION**

The South Shore Girls' basketball league is a nonprofit organization designed to promote girls basketball on the South Shore.

**III. EXECUTIVE BOARD**

President - Presides over meetings, obtains full reports from all Executive Board members, calls meetings, reviews monetary matters, and appoints subcommittees and sets meeting agendas.

Vice President - Performs President's duties in the absence of the President. The Vice President also gathers all information on rule violations and complaints of unsportsmanlike conduct by players, coaches and referees.

Secretary - Records minutes of meetings, attends to correspondence and keeps records. A Secretary's report shall be given at each general meeting.

Treasurer - Is responsible for all financial matters relative to the league, maintains a checking account, and pays bills approved by the Executive Board and/or the President. The Treasurer also prepares the annual report and a financial report which will be given at each meeting.

Head Referee - Schedules referees, distributes payments to referees, reports all payment to the Executive Board, and explains rules and rule changes.

Statistician - Maintains records and standings for each team. .

Registrar - Keeps complete list of town voting members, coaches, and team rosters.

Insurance - Handles all matters concerning insurance.

**IV. MEMBERSHIP**

Probational Member - Those teams and/or teams who wish to join the league and become a full member.

Probational members are not voting members of the league. At the end of the first year, they must submit a request for full membership to the Executive Board. The Executive Board must approve the request unanimously. A town/team can be allowed a second year of probation and resubmit their request for full membership at the end of the year. A town/team may also be asked to leave the league at this time.

Membership Changes - Any change in the main contact of a town or voting status must be approved by the Executive Board. All changes must be submitted to the Executive Board in writing.

**V. PLAYER QUALIFICATIONS**

The South Shore Girls Basketball League shall consist of four team categories segregated by the players' grades from fifth (5th) grade to eighth (6th) grade. Players may play up a grade level but may not play down. A player who is playing up a grade level must complete the season at that grade level. That player is not eligible to move back down. A player can be on only one (1) roster. All players must be a full time resident of

the town they play for. All players must be registered on the team roster by the first Monday in January. Maximum team size is fifteen (15) players. All changes must be communicated to the registrar at least three (3) days before a player participates in a game.

#### VI. GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP

Any incident of unsportsmanlike conduct may result in disciplinary action. Any player or coach that is ejected from a game for unsportsmanlike conduct must submit a report to the league. The main contact for the town and game referee must also submit a written report to the SSGBL Vice President.

#### VII. TOWN & CONTACT OBLIGATIONS

Each town is obligated to follow the rules of the South Shore Girls Basketball League and any ruling of the Executive Board. Any team that breaks the rules of the league and continues to break the rules will be put on probation. A team on probation may be ineligible to participate in post league play. A team that does not resolve the probation situation; can be dropped as a member of the South Shore Girls Basketball League. If a team is dropped as a member, it may reapply to enter the league as a probationary member.

Each town will assign a main contact who will represent the town in all league matters. This person is responsible for supplying the team rosters and list of coaches for all teams in their towns to the registrar. They must approve all basketball related activity for the teams from the town. They must also supply the secretary with lists of all coaches. They are responsible for keeping all coaches informed of meeting results. They must provide the league with available gym dates for scheduling. They are responsible for notification of head referee and other town contact in case of cancellations due to emergencies. The league requires a two hour notice on cancellations due to emergencies. Any roster changes must come from the town's main contact to the league registrar. They must insure that all coaches are at least eighteen (16) years of age and registered with the league. Only main contacts will be notified of any cancellations, changes in the rules, meeting dates, and any other information between the league and town.

The South Shore Girls Basketball league reserves the right to require every registered coach to complete and sign a "Disclosure Statement" and further reserves the right to deny any coach participation in this league who answers affirmatively to the statement. The Town Contact will produce each statement as a condition of the Town's and coaches' participation in the league. The South Shore Girls Basketball league will require a CORI check on all coaches and assistant coaches.

#### VIII. DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

Any player or coach that is ejected from a game gets an automatic one game suspension. A player or coach that is ejected for a second time will be suspended from league play for the remainder of the season, including playoffs. Any game that is played with an illegal player will be forfeited.

#### IX. CHANGES IN BY - LAWS

Any league member may submit proposed changes to the by - laws to the Executive Board in writing. The Executive Board will meet and vote on proposed changes to the by - laws. The results of this vote will be communicated to the town's main contact.