



DIVISION II

OVERVIEW

Youth Basketball of America (YBOA) has committed and implemented an official Division II level of competition for both boys and girls. This exciting addition will provide entirely new competitive opportunities for existing and potential YBOA teams in the future.

Georgia Boys, and Georgia Girls will enter the 2007/2008 season offering both Division I & II levels of competition and will also host a separate Division I & II State Championship Tournament and qualify teams in each age division according to the attached qualifying scale to the Division I and Division II YBOA National Championships.

For the 2007/2008 season, all other states will continue to offer their normal qualifying events while heavily promoting the Division II YBOA National Championship event. These states will continue to host their State Championship Tournament and qualify teams in each age division according to the attached qualifying scale to the YBOA Division I & II National Championship Tournament. This is an attempt to kick-start this division, ultimately having enough teams to sustain separate divisions throughout their qualifying months.

The idea is to open-up and promote an entirely new level of competition to existing and future YBOA teams. Although only a few states will initially offer state qualifying tournaments in the Division I & II levels, all states will announce and promote the new Division II and Division II National Championship Tournament and qualifying requirements.

The Division II National Championship would run simultaneously with the Division I National Championships, but as a stand-alone event. Teams, Coaches, and Parents would have the same experience as the Division I event.

The success of this new project has enormous potential for everyone but is heavily dependant on the support, commitment, and promotion of this structure by the Area/State Directors.

These Divisions will be referred to as Division I and Division II. There will no longer be an American or National Division. The defining line between these two divisions will be in competitive nature only. Both divisions will follow current YBOA rules and guidelines including grade exception (boys only) and roster restrictions.



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GUIDELINES

Division I & II teams are allowed up to 15 players on a roster with no more than 3 grade exception players (boys only).

Once a player is listed on a State Tournament roster, another player may not fill the roster spot.

All Division I and II grade exception players must have furnished to the State Director a copy of a birth certificate and current year report card before their first tournament.

A team playing in Division I may move to Division II at anytime during the qualifying season as long as they meet the criteria and requirements of a Division II team.

If a Division II team wishes to change to Division I, they will forfeit any rankings points earned at the Division II level. Any seeding for Division II teams playing in Division I will be at the State Directors discretion.

A Division I team cannot play in Division II.

There will be NO Division II State Tournament or National Tournament for 16 and 17 Under. Age groups 8U;9U and 10U Division II status will be determined by their Division I final placement.

The number of Division I and II National bids will be based on the total number of teams participating in each age group

A team may only play in one division per tournament.

All Division I and II teams must participate and qualify in their respective State Championship Tournament to be eligible to participate in the YBOA National Championships.

The division a team qualifies in at their respective State Championship Tournament will be the division that team must play in at the National Championship Tournament.

A team qualifies for the YBOA Division I & II National Championships by placing in their respective State Championship Tournament according to the attached qualifying scale.