

## **Basketball**



Basketball is a team sport where two teams, usually consisting of five players on each team, play against each other on a rectangular court. The idea is to get the ball through a hoop mounted high on a backboard on the opponent's side of the court, while stopping the opponent from shooting it into your team's hoop.

It is a very popular sport worldwide, played with a round and usually orange (orange-brown) ball that bounces. Basketball players mainly use skills such as dribbling, shooting, running, and jumping.

Each made basket is worth two points, while a basket made from beyond the three-point line is worth three points. If a player gets into too much physical contact, they may be given free throws which are worth one point each.

The game typically lasts for four-quarters and the team with the most points at the end of the four-quarters win the game. If the score is tied at the end of the game, there will be something called overtime, which is additional play time to allow one team to win the match.