

# Connecticut Recreation & Parks Association, Inc.

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## 24<sup>th</sup> Annual CRPA HotShots Contest

**Thank you to our State Meet host:**

Old Saybrook Parks & Recreation



## CRPA HotShots CONTEST

### Fact Sheet and Coordinator Manual

- WHAT:** 24<sup>th</sup> Annual HotShots Basketball Shooting Contest
- WHO:** Boys and Girls, ages 9-15 by December 31, **2016**
- WHERE:** Local contests are held in participating towns. Top winners will advance to compete in the state contest. Local coordinators may run their event in the facility of their choice.
- WHEN:** The state contest will be held:  
**Date:** **4/1/17**  
**Location:** Old Saybrook Recreation Center  
308 Main Street  
Old Saybrook, CT 06475  
**Time:** **ALL AGES Boys AND Girls:** 11:00 am – 1:00 pm
- WHY:** To promote basketball enthusiasm as well as basketball skills, fun, physical fitness, and good sportsmanship.
- SPONSORS:** Connecticut Recreation and Parks Association, Inc. and Old Saybrook Parks & Recreation
- GENERAL:** The Connecticut Recreation and Parks Association, Inc. HotShots Contest is a statewide event. Each player will have one minute to shoot from “hotspots” placed on one half of the court. Starting at the center of half-court, the player dribbles into shooting range. The contest challenges a player’s speed, shooting, dribbling, and rebounding ability. Three one-minute rounds constitute the duration of play for each player. The top scorer in each division will move on to the next level of the contest.
- AGE GROUPS:** Boys: ages 9-10, 11-12, 13-15  
Girls: ages 9-10, 11-12, 13-15

## **How to Run a Local HotShots Contest**

- HOTSHOTS CONTEST:** The HotShots Contest is a recreational program designed to promote basketball enthusiasm as much as basketball skill, fun, physical fitness, friendship, and good sportsmanship. Each player will have one minute to shoot from “hotspots” placed on one half of the court. Starting at the center of the half-court line, the player dribbles into shooting range. Three one-minute rounds constitute the duration of play for each player. For each local contest, the player with **the highest number of points** in their division will advance to the state championship.
- WHERE:** Local coordinators may run their event in the facility of their choice or during their basketball league practices.
- WHEN:** Local contests must be held before **March 10<sup>th</sup> 2017**. Please email results immediately to the CRPA Office at [info@crpa.com](mailto:info@crpa.com)  
**Results must be submitted to the CRPA office no later than 4:30 pm on Friday, March 10<sup>th</sup> 2017.**
- DIVISION:** Boys: ages 9-10; 11-12; 13-15  
Girls: ages 9-10; 11-12; 13-15
- Age corresponds to the age of the child on or before December 31, **2016**. A birth certificate is required to confirm age and a copy must be submitted to the CRPA office ***before playing at the state level***. Players will be disqualified if CRPA does not receive a player’s birth certificate before competing in the state contest.

## **HotShots Overview**

- HOTSPOTS:** The measurements are taken from the point directly under the center of the basket to the center of each hotspot. The hotspots can be marked with chalk, masking tape, or other appropriate materials. Masking or athletic tape is recommended for marking and to inhibit the hotspots from moving or sliding out of place. If spots become dislodged, and the referee feels a player has advantage or disadvantage, the referee will signal the timer to stop time and play will resume when spots are replaced. ***Please note that the hotspots locations for the 9 - 10 year old division are two feet closer from each spot on the floor. Hoops are not to be lowered for younger age groups. All age groups will shoot at the same height.***
- BASKETBALLS:** Boy's 11-12 and 13-15 division will use a regulation Boy's High School-sized basketball. Girl's division & Boy's 9-10 division will use a 28.5 High School-sized basketball.
- AWARDS:** CRPA is pleased to offer a medal for all of your winning participants and participant ribbons for all who try out at your local event. The order form can be found online at [www.crpa.com](http://www.crpa.com).
- REGISTRATION/  
SCORE SHEETS:** Players must register using the Connecticut Recreation and Parks Association, Inc. HotShots Registration/Score Sheet. Score sheets should be photocopied on the back of the registration form or stapled to the registration form. Players must register before they begin play at the local level. The **registration/score sheet** form is also used to score players' points during each one-minute round of play (3 rounds for each player). The highest combined point total from the three rounds will determine the winner.
- SCORING POINTS:** Starting from half-court, the player dribbles into shooting range and can shoot from any of the 5 hotspots in any sequence. 5 bonus points are awarded each round if a player attempts a shot from all 5 hotspots. An *additional* 10 points are awarded each round if a player attempts a second shot from all 5 hotspots. Please note: the player must attempt at least one shot from each hotspot before second shots will be considered for the additional 10 bonus points. The player can also earn points for lay-up completions. The player may attempt unlimited lay-ups; however, only two lay-up completions will count for points (each worth 2 points). **Lay-ups are not included in the bonus.** Scores are tallied by the master scorer. Top scorer from each division will play at the county level.
- OTHER ITEMS NEEDED:** Stopwatches or clock, registration/score sheets (enough for each player), calculator, masking tape, athletic tape, whistles, pens/pencils, measuring tape, table, chairs, and other prizes/handouts provided by local sponsors.

## **HotShots Officials' Responsibilities**

- DUTIES:** It is recommended that at local and final competitions, the following officials be designated (one set of officials for each HotShots court): **Scorer, Spotter, Referee, Master Scorer, and Timer.** Duties for each are listed below:
- SCORER:** The scorer records all shots attempted, missed, or made. See instructions on score sheet. Violations are also recorded by the scorer at the completion of each contestant's round.
- SPOTTER:** The spotter assists the scorer to sight and record each shot. The spotter also assists the scorer to take note of any violations that may occur as the player progresses in the HotShots round.
- REFEREE:** A certified referee is recommended at the county level and beyond. In addition to maintaining control of the round, the referee signals the timer and player with a whistle or signal. NOTE: The referee is responsible for resetting the spots which may become dislodged during the course of the contest. If a spot becomes dislodged to the point that it cannot be properly reset, and, if in the judgment of the referee it places the contestant at a disadvantage/advantage, the referee should signal "dead ball" to the timer, who then stops the clock. Time begins again when the spots are reset.
- MASTER SCORER:** The master scorer totals each round as recorded by the scorer and certifies the scores of all rounds for the purpose of awarding prizes.
- TIMER:** The timer is responsible for the timing of each 60-second round. The timer should notify players when 30 seconds have passed and again with 10 seconds remaining.
- OTHER (optional):** Photographer, Announcer, Awards Presentation.

## **HotShots Rules and Regulations**

### **BASIC RULES:**

1. Players start at the half-court (multiple courts may run at the same time so contests run smoother and faster).
2. A player must touch the hotspot with at least one foot while attempting the shot. A disqualified shot will not count towards points scored or towards the bonus.
3. One point is subtracted for each dribbling and motion violation as determined by officials (palming, traveling, double dribbling, etc.).
4. Ties are settled by a one-minute playoff.
5. If the ball lodges between the basket and the backboard, the referee will indicate "dead ball" and time is stopped. Time begins again with ball and player under the hoop.
6. **All scores and decisions made by the host coordinator are final.**
7. The 9-10 division will shoot from hotspots that are two feet closer to the basket from each hotspot. *Hoops are not to be lowered for younger age groups. All age groups will shoot at the same height.*

### **RULES INTERPRETATION:**

These rules have been adopted by the Connecticut Recreation and Parks Association, Inc.'s Board of Directors. Interpretation of these rules by the State Coordinator is final. The Board of Directors reserves the right to execute what is in the best interest of the program. **All scores at events are determined by the scoring team. These results are final and all rulings made on the court stand.**

### **WINNERS' PROGRESSION:**

1. Top scorers from each local competition will move to the state level.
2. State Champion will be determined at the state meet.
3. In the state championship round, the top scorer in each division will win the championship.

### **LOCAL COORDINATOR RESPONSIBILITIES:**

1. Complete local level of the Connecticut Recreation and Parks Association, Inc. HotShots Contest as described. At the conclusion of the contest, meet coordinator must submit the results to CRPA along with a copy of each individual's birth certificate and registration form, **by March 10, 2017.**
2. Direct questions, concerns, or comments to the CRPA office: [info@crpa.com](mailto:info@crpa.com) or (860)721-0384
3. Thank You for all your efforts!