

BASKETBALL

There are many similarities between betting on basketball and football as point spread, money line and total bets are all typically offered.

EXAMPLE:

	Team	Spread		Money Line	Total	
Feb 3	Philadelphia	-4.5	-110	-135	204.5	O -112
7:30 PM	Brooklyn	+4.5	-110	+120		U -108

In this example, Philadelphia is favored by 4.5 points and must win the game by 5 or more points for the bettor to win a point spread bet. Similarly, if the bettor wagers on Brooklyn, Brooklyn must win outright or lose by 4 or fewer points. If the bettor would like to wager on Philadelphia to win the game outright regardless of points, they would have to bet the equivalent of \$135 to profit \$100, while a bettor playing Brooklyn would be risking \$100 to profit on \$120. If someone would like to wager on the total, the over/under is 204.5 total points. If a bettor wagered on the over, the teams would have to combine for more than 204.5 points. In this case, the bettor playing the over would have to wager \$112 to make a profit of \$100. A bettor wagering on the underwould need fewer than 204.5 points scored to win the bet and would be wagering \$108 to win \$100 in this scenario. All points scored in overtime count towards the total points scored.

BASKETBALL PARLAYS – Basketball parlays carry the same standard rules as football parlays. Bettors can combine a string of different bets into a single parlay wager. The bettor cannot lose any events in the parlay in order to win.

