



COUNTRY TOURNAMENT

COMPETITION RULES



BASKETBALL NSW

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TOURNAMENT RULES AND INFORMATION

SCORING:

- 1.1) FIBA scoresheets will be used on all games.
- 1.2) Teams are requested to fill in the FIBA scoresheet at least 20 minutes prior to their game.
- 1.3) Teams shall be allowed ten (10) minutes after scheduled starting time before a forfeit is called unless exceptional circumstances apply.
- 1.4) Each team is required to provide two qualified bench officials to do bench in the game that they play. This shall apply to all games including semi finals and finals.
- 1.5) U/16, U/14 and U/12 teams must be assisted by at least one adult or experienced person. Minimum number of persons on junior benches is three (3) [and Division 1 games four (4)] Except U12 – Three (3)

Semi finals and finals - the competing teams will both assist in providing bench persons to the requirements of the referees.
- 1.6) Copies of game scoresheets will be available at the Information Table at each venue. If not collected during the tournament they will not be provided later
- 1.7) Winning coach must sign the scoresheet at the conclusion of the game

TIMING AND MATCH RULES:

All matches will be played in accordance with FIBA rules unless otherwise stated in these Rules and information.

2) Timing Rules - see grid sheet.

3) Under 12 Teams:

- 3.1) Ring height shall be 3.05 m (10').
- 3.2) The modified free throw line for all U12 games will be measured 4m from the backboard, or 60cm in front of the free throw line. It will be a width of 5cm and length of 30cm.
- 3.3) Goals scored from outside the 3 point line shall count as 2 points only.
- 3.4) Playing of Zones - Under 12, Under 14 Competitions:
The playing of zones in this age group is to be totally discouraged. It is the intent of the New South Wales Basketball Coaches Association that man to man defense be used by all teams.
While it is extremely difficult to police and penalise Coaches who do play zones of formation in the restricted area, the Championship Officials will enforce the no zone rules and penalty.
- 3.5) Substitutions - Player Participation:
All players in the U/12 Division are to take the court in each half of the game. The Scoretable are to police the rule by placing a 1 and 2 beside the player's name on the scoresheet as they take the court. Teams who fail to play all players in each half of the game may lose the match by forfeit.



4) TEAM BENCHES

Team A (First named team in the draw will sit on the bench to the left hand of the scorer and warm up into the basket in front of Team B. Team B will do the reverse

5) REGISTRATION

All players must be registered with the NSW Basketball Association Ltd. or their respective home State or Territory.

6) UNIFORMS

6.1) All players shall be correctly dressed, this includes shorts/gym pants.

6.2) Playing tops shall be numbered 4 to 15 inclusive or any other numbers with a maximum of two(2) digits. However numbers 0 to 99 are acceptable

6.3) Warm up apparel must be uniform otherwise teams must warm up in their playing uniforms.

Where a clash of colours occurs the first named team on the draw shall change its playing colours. All teams will require an alternate set of playing uniforms.

7) WITHDRAWALS

7.1) Teams withdrawing prior to the draw being finalised will be refunded nomination fees

7.2) Teams withdrawing after the draw is released, will forfeit nomination fees

7.2) Teams withdrawing within two (2) weeks of the event will forfeit their nomination fees and will also be fined \$400.00

8) FORFEITS

Teams failing to provide five (5) players to start a game may be fined \$200.00 per game. This applies to play-offs aswell

9) Tournament Tribunal/Technical Committee shall be appointed.

10) Associations are reminded that teams are only accepted into any competition if they fulfill the referee requirements for the event.

If the referee or his replacement fails to attend the tournament, the team will automatically forfeit each game and be subject to a forfeit fine of \$200 per game.

11) All teams nominating must be accompanied by a minimum of a Level One Coach.

12) Match Balls/Warm Up Balls:

To be provided by the participating teams. The balls must be leather and the match ball shall be decided by the Referee.

Match ball sizes shall be: Under 12 - Size 6. Under 14 - Size 6.

U16 /U18 Women – Size 6 All remaining grades - Size 7.

13) Eligibility

13.1) To Nominate:

To be eligible to compete, Associations must be a current financial Member of Basketball NSW and continue to be a financial member after nomination. All Players must also be registered.

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- 13.2) To Play:
- 13.2.1) Players must be registered with the Association they are representing (primary or secondary).
- 13.2.2) A player is only permitted to play in one team during the Junior Tournament.
- 13.2.3) Teams are restricted to 12 players for the Tournament. For each game only 10 players may participate. Trophies will only be provided for 10 players not 11 or 12
- 13.2.4) Players must participate in a minimum of one round game to be eligible for quarter finals, semi finals and finals.
- 13.5.5) Combined Association teams will be accepted.

14) Point Scores and Positions Refer to page 68 of Current Rule Book

Points will be awarded as follows for Round games:

2 (two) Points	=	Win
1 (one) Point	=	Loss
0 (nil) Points	=	Forfeit

- 14.1) If there are two teams in the classification with equal points, the result(s) of the game(s) between the two teams involved will be used to determine the placings.
- 14.2) If the points and the goal average in the games between the two teams are still the same, the classification will be determined by the goal average of all the games played in the group by each team.
- 14.3) If more than two teams are equal in the placing, a second classification will be established, taking into account only the results of the games between the teams that are tied.
- 14.4) If there are still teams tied after the second classification, then goal average will be used to determine the placings, taking into account only the results of the games between the teams still tied.
- 14.5) If there are still teams tied, the placing will be determined using the goal average from the results of all their games played in the group.
- 14.6) If, at any stage, using the above criteria, a multiple team tie is reduced to a tie involving only two teams, the procedure used in 13.1 and 13.2 above will be applied.
- 14.7) If, at any stage, it is reduced to a tie still involving more than two teams, the procedure, beginning with 13.3 above, is repeated.
- 14.8) Goal average will always be calculated by division.

Exception: If only three teams take part in a competition and the situation cannot be resolved by using the steps outlined above (the goal average by division is identical), then the **points scored** will determine the classification.

Refer to Page 70, Basketball Rule Book.

15) Protests

- 15.1) The bottom of the scoresheet MUST be endorsed that a "protest to be lodged" and signed by the team captain.
- 15.2) In order to make this declaration valid, it shall be necessary that the team management give confirmation of the protest in writing within 20 minutes following the end of the game, without however giving full detailed explanations. This shall be deposited with a representative of the Tournament management at the venue concerned together with the sum of \$100 in cash.
- 15.3) The protesting team will then be asked to submit to the technical committee the text of the protest, within one hour of the conclusion of the game.
- 15.4) Should the technical committee rule in favour of the protest, the \$100 shall be refunded.

16) Under 14 National Club Championships

- 16.1) This event is part of the qualification series for the National U14 Club Championships, therefore all players must be full registered members of the Association they are representing
- 16.2) Only Country Teams are eligible to qualify for the National Clubs. Metropolitan/Invited teams are able to compete at Country Champs, however will not be eligible for selection for the U14 Club Championships.
- 16.3) Qualifying games – Played in July 2010 at a Country Venue TBA
 - 16.3.1) Country #1 will play Metro #1 to determine NSW seeding of #1 for the event
 - Country #2 will play Metro #2 to determine NSW #3 & #4 nomination to the Event
- 16.4) Teams that qualify for the Basketball Australia U14 Club Championships must participate in the BNSW qualification series or forfeit their position to attend the event.

17) Referees

State Policy of team nominations not being excepted unless accompanied by a referee of the appropriate standard shall be enforced. Likewise, referees who withdraw at late notice must be replaced by the nominating Association or else that team will forfeit and be subject to forfeit fees

- 17.1) Referees travel at their own expense and accommodation cost.
- 17.2) Games may commence 8.30 am each day.
- 17.3) Referees will be allocated a minimum of two games on Saturday/Sunday.
- 17.4) Officials must be properly attired for all games. Tracksuits, etc., are not permitted. Black shoes are also a uniform requirement.
- i) 17.6) Associations are required to have a minimum of one official at a venue where they have a team or teams playing
- ii) 17.7) Officials must have accreditation appropriate to the age group
 - i.e. U12-U14 Level Y2 – Y3
 - U16 –U18 Minimum Y4-Y5, Level 1

See Over for breakdown of # of referees required

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- 17.8) Players and coaches can be used as Referees. But if allocated must fulfil their commitment and be of the required standard. Where players / coaches are nominated, if they fail the criteria above or do not appear, their association team will forfeit and be fined
- 17.9) Referee Roster for Day One will be notified electronically to competing Association secretaries prior to the Tournament. Referees Roster for Sunday and Monday will be available each day from each venue Referee's Supervisor.
- 17.10) Game Fees for officials shall be those set by Country Basketball Committee
- 17.11) Officials are to collect game fees at the conclusion of each game at the venue where they officiate
- 17.12) It will not be acceptable for an Association to send all or a majority of its referees to one centre. Officials must travel with their association teams
- 17.13) Association Referee Coaches/League Referee Coaches: Are to attend the Junior weekend and participate in Referee Coaching. The Tournament will pay for the Coaches' accommodation with the respective Association/League of the Coach being responsible for the official's travel costs. Please advise prior to 10th May of availability.
- 16.14) Y2 – Y3 officials are encouraged to attend the Junior weekend to work the Under 12 and some Under 14 games.
- 16.15) Referees MUST BE REGISTERED.
- 16.16) Referees will be allocated to games at the venue of the team they are nominated with. They will not necessarily be allocated to games in the grade of the team they are nominated with.
- 17.17) Country Committee will also invite officials from the NSW Referees Development Program to attend the Tournament especially Division One and Two, to ensure a high standard.
- 17.18) Teams who cannot meet their commitments will be allowed to play but will forfeit their respective game(s)
- 17.19) Where associations fall short on referees, Country Committee will organise replacements but at the associations cost for Travel, Accommodation plus an administration fee if this will avoid forfeits



COUNTRY JUNIOR TOURNAMENT TIMING RULES

	UNDER 18, 16, 14, 12 DIVISION 1	UNDER 18, 16, 14, 12 DIVISIONS 2, 3
All Games	4 x 8 minute quarters – fully timed. 2 minutes between quarters 1&2, 3&4 Half time – 3 minutes. Extra time – 3 minutes. 24 second clock – Exception – Under 12 Two time outs per half. One time out per extra period. All Under 12 players <u>MUST</u> take the court in each half.	4 x 10 minute quarters – running clock. Clock stops for: *Time outs – 2 per half. *Fouled out players and injuries. Last minute fully timed (second half and extra periods). No 24 second clock. Extra time – 3 minutes. (Last minute fully timed). One time out per extra period. 2 minutes between quarters 1&2, 3&4 Half time – 3 minutes All Under 12 players <u>MUST</u> take the court in each half.

- i) Under 14 Shot Clock be adjusted to start when ball is in front court
- ii) Warm up – minimum of 5 minutes

