



SENIOR DOMESTIC COMPETITION RULES

All matches will be played according to the rules as stated by FIBA, the world's governing body of basketball, with the exception of the following:

TIMING RULES

- Listed Separately, please review documents online

TEAM REGISTRATIONS

- Existing teams must register online through PlayHq. New teams must [register here](#)
- All players are responsible for understanding the rules and regulations that pertain to their leagues and must complete registration through the Basketball Victoria PlayHQ website; www.playhq.com
- Additional players joining teams during the season must register their full details on the 'LiveScore Courtside Monitors before their first game.' Furthermore, new players without a previous BV Registration must visit www.playhq.com and finalise their registration. Team Representatives will receive an automatic email regarding registrations whenever a name is added courtside. 'Fill-In Players' can play a maximum of two games only before they must finalise registration.
- Any outstanding registration fees must be paid within 14 days. Teams who owe fees after this time will have game results forfeited and further ladder points not awarded until the outstanding amount is finalized. Teams who have not fully paid registration by the end of grading will be removed from the competition.

WALKOVER FINES

- Teams who give forfeits receive a fine based on how much notice was given. Teams who provide the WBA office at least 24 hours' notice of a walkover receives a \$50 fine, while teams who give insufficient or no notice receive a \$80 fine.
- Walkover fines must be paid within two weeks. Failure to do so will forfeit any ladder points for games played while the fine is outstanding.

SCHEDULES AND GAMES

- It is the team's responsibility to locate and review fixtures online. Teams will be sent an automatic message once schedules are published. Teams must check prior to the first round and ensure teammates are aware. Teams will be contacted if there are any issues with your application.
- All teams can expect to receive an even spread of games during a season, and individual time requests are not guaranteed. Management reserves the right to change schedules where necessary.
- Teams are responsible for paying a game fee to the cashier member near the entrance. All weekly game fees must be paid prior to the start of scheduled games.
- All teams must supply a person to act as a scorer / timekeeper. Teams failing to supply a person may be requested to sit a player off to get the game started. If a team has a person and the other team does not and both teams are of agreement, they may play 5 on 5 with one scorer.
- Teams must complete the LiveScore monitors with details of all players. The minimum number of players on court without incurring a forfeit is four (4). Games will be forfeited if a team is not ready to play within ten minutes of scheduled starting time. If a team is late for a fixtured game, they will be penalised one point per minute to the referee's discretion, and the game will go on.

UNIFORMS

- Teams must ensure that they are wearing a basketball uniform that adheres to the [WBA Uniform Policy](#). Any player in incorrect uniform will incur a five (5) point penalty. All players are required to wear a team uniform consisting of same colored tops for each team member. Likewise, with bottoms, all teams must all be wearing the same colored shorts. Tops and shorts do not have to match, but must be the same color for each team member.

Please Note: Navy Blue and Black are considered different colours

- If you believe there will be a colour clash then the first named team (team on the left of the screen) gets priority. The team on the right of the screen will require alternative tops before the scheduled game start time. The schedule in the foyer indicates potential colour clashes if your team has provided details, but if you haven't or if your colour details may have changed please let us know so we can help identify clashes and save time.
- Alternative tops can be hired from the canteen for \$8.00 a set, or \$2.00 per individual shirt, and must be returned after you play. The alternative sets should only be used for clashes, and not as a set of uniforms for your team each week during the season.
- All players must remove objects such as watches/jewelry (taping of facial jewelry is not permitted under FIBA Rules) that may be dangerous to other players. A wedding band may be worn, but must be appropriately taped.
- Nails must be cut. Players failing to cut their nails at the direction of the referees will not be permitted to play.

ILLEGAL AND UNREGISTERED PLAYERS

- Failing to enter new player details on the LiveScore monitors, and playing new players under withdrawn or absent player's names renders players illegal.
- Playing people under another person's name, or playing unregistered players is an offence and WILL NOT BE TOLERATED. If teams are found to be playing members illegally, game results will be altered so the offending team will lose the match and points and qualifications will be removed. Repeat offenders will be suspended.
- Players can only play in the one team in any nightly competition, and must play under their correct name (Please note: Thursday Men and Over 35s are considered different competitions, as too are Sunday U/23 and Sunday Mixed. A player from a team that has a bye or walkover can not play with another team in the same nightly competition. A full explanation of the WBA Illegal Player Policy can be [found here](#).

GAME ISSUES AND FIRST AID

- WBA requires all games to commence accordingly to their schedule time. Referees have been advised to use the scoreboard clocks as the official time. Teams are reminded to pay attention to the green count down timers used on the scoreboard prior to their game, so that all players can be on the court ready to start the game when the clock expires and displays the schedule start time.
- Any issues experienced during your game should be brought to the attention of the referees immediately. If the referees are unable to resolve the issue, please seek out the Referee Supervisor.
- First Aid is the responsibility of each team and individual. Ice can be obtained from the canteen foyer freezer and bandaids/tape is available at the canteen, cashier or referee room. The Referee Supervisor also has access to a first aid kit with additional items for assistance if requested.

FINALS QUALIFICATIONS

- Players listed on the LiveScore monitors will qualify for the game they are listed. Teams must only list players present and in uniform at the game. Referees will check playing lists at half time and conclusion of matches.
- To be eligible to qualify for finals all players must compete in eight (8) of the season's fixtured games. Players replacing other players during the season do not accumulate replaced player's game total. Teams are responsible for checking the website for eligibility of players and for team final placings.
- Any queries relating to finals or qualifications must be directed to the WBA office seven days or more prior to the Semi Final. No queries will be dealt with during finals.