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Mike Barnett Sports Complex

DOMESTIC COMPETITION TERMS & CONDITIONS

Codes of Conduct & Policies

- All participants — including players, coaches, managers, and spectators — are required to abide by the RBRA Codes of Conduct, Rules, and Regulations
- RBRA enforces a strict 'Zero Tolerance' policy for poor behaviour. Breaches may lead to disciplinary action, including penalties or suspensions
- Full policies are available on our website: <https://www.rockinghamflames.com.au/our-policies>

Competition Details

- Winter season runs during school Terms 2 & 3
- Summer season covers school Term 4 (current year) & Term 1 (following year)
- No games are scheduled during school holidays
- Grand Final Week: Game days may change during this week
- U08s and U10s do not participate in finals
- Finals eligibility: A player must participate in a minimum of 6 games to qualify for finals

Venues and Competition Day

- Game days, times, and venues may change depending on:
 - Number of teams registered
 - Scheduling of NBL1 home games
- While every effort is made to keep scheduling consistent, changes may be necessary
- RBRA uses multiple venues, including:
 - Baldivis Indoor Sporting Complex (BISC)
 - Other satellite venues may be used throughout the season
- Some teams may rotate through more than one venue or game day

Grades (Age Groups)

Players are placed in grades (age groups) based on how old they turn in the calendar year the season ends — not their age at the start of the season, or their school year.

- For Summer 2025–26, we look at the year 2026
- For Winter 2026, we still look at 2026

Examples

- If a player is turning 13 in 2026 (born in 2013), they must play in Under 14s
- If a player is turning 14 in 2026 (born in 2012), they are too old for Under 14s and must move up to the next grade (age group) which is Under 16s

Even if a player's birthday is late in the year (like November or December), the rule still applies based on the year they turn that age — not when during the year.

Players can only play in '1' team per grade (age group), and not in multiple divisions within the grade (age group)

Grades (age groups): Under 08, 10, 12, 14, 16, 17, 18 etc

Divisions within the grades (age groups): A, B, C etc

Grading

Although RBRA grades all teams, we ask team organisers to consider the following guidelines:

- A Division = 3–5 WABL players
 - Example: 3 in-grade (age) + 2 out-of-grade (age)
 - Or: 2 in-grade (age) + 3 out-of-grade (age)
- B Division = 1–2 WABL players
 - Example: 1–2 in-grade (age)
 - Or: 1 in-grade (age) + 1 or 2 out-of-grade (age)
- C, D, and lower divisions = 0 WABL players

For further clarification on WABL player restrictions and classification, refer to the RBRA rules and the section below.

Players, Transfer and Fill-in Players

Junior Players

- All players must play in the grade (age group) determined by their year of birth
- Players can only play in one team in any eligible grade (age group)
- Players cannot play in multiple divisions within the same grade (age group)
- Players may play up one additional grade (age group) as a second competition, but not on its own
- Juniors may also play in the Seniors competition, only if they are turning 15 years old by 31st December in the year the season ends
- Juniors cannot play in the Seniors competition as their only team

Senior Competitions

- Seniors may play up one division by submitting a request to: admin@rockinghamflames.com.au
- Seniors may only play up a maximum of three times before they must permanently register to the higher-grade team

Player Transfers

- Players moving to a different team or club from the previous season, must obtain a 'player clearance' from the previous team organiser or club prior to playing with a new team
- Both the player and team/ club organiser must both complete the form prior to emailing
- Emailed to: boc@rockinghamflames.com.au
- The clearance form is available on our website, Forms tab: rockinghamflames.com.au

Fill-In Players

- A fill-in player may play a maximum of two games
- After two games, the player must register to the team, becoming an RBRA Season Player and a BWA/BA affiliated member (if applicable)
- Non-RBRA registered players must purchase a fill-in voucher for \$10.00 each time they fill in, and must show the receipt to officials

- Fill-in vouchers expire within six days and can only be used once
- Fill-in voucher link is available on our website under the Domestic tab > Registrations: rockinghamflames.com.au
- Fill-in players, whether RBRA registered or not, may only play in one team in any grade (age group)

Teams found in breach of this clause may face penalties.

WABL Players, Classification & Restrictions

General rules state a Domestic team may have a maximum of 3 in-grade (age) WABL restricted players plus 2 out-of-grade (age) WABL restricted players playing up, totalling a maximum of 5.

Example

- 3x Under 14 WABL restricted players plus 2x Under 12 WABL restricted players in the one team
- Note: There is a slight variation to the Under 17-Girls WABL capping rules

Who is classed as WABL restricted in the RBRA Domestic

Not all Flames players are classed as WABL restricted in the RBRA Domestic.

RBRA (Flames) Male WABL Players

Players selected in the **last** team during Flames trials (team 4):

- Are not classed as WABL restricted in the RBRA Domestic
- Do not count in the WABL capping rules

All other Flames players (teams 1-3, including when playing up):

- Are classed as WABL restricted in the RBRA Domestic
- Do count in the WABL capping rules

RBRA (Flames) Female WABL Players

Players selected in Flames teams **graded** in division 4 or below:

- Are not classed as WABL Restricted in RBRA Domestic
- Do not count towards the WABL capping rules

All other Flames players (teams **graded** in divisions 1-3, including when playing up):

- Are classed as WABL restricted in RBRA Domestic
- Do count in the WABL capping rules

Non-RBRA (Flames) WABL Players

All WABL players from other Associations:

- Automatically classed as WABL restricted in RBRA Domestic
- Do count towards the WABL capping rules regardless of the team or division

WABL Players - Under 17-Girls

The Under 17 Girls competition has stricter limits on the number of WABL restricted players allowed per team. These restrictions are in place to ensure fairness and maintain a balanced, competitive environment for all participants.

If you are entering a team in this grade, please ensure you are aware of the current limit on WABL-restricted players.

Important: All WABL classification and restriction rules remain in effect.

For more information or clarification:

- Email: admin@rockinghamflames.com.au
- Website, Domestic tab, Domestic Documents: www.rockinghamflames.com.au

WABL Players - Changing Grades (age groups)

WABL players carry their WABL classification for 2 seasons. The Winter season where selected, and the following Summer season. If a player moves up a grade (age group), they take that classification with them to the new grade (age group).

Example

- Top aged Under 12 WABL restricted players moving to Under 14s as a bottom aged player for Summer, will now be classed as an in-grade (age group) WABL restricted player in Under 14s
- These players are no longer classed as an Under 12s WABL restricted player, playing up
- All other Associations players moving up will also carry their WABL restricted classification to the higher grade (age group)

Uniforms & Team Names

- New teams must not have clashing team names or uniforms with any existing team or club
- All uniform designs and team names must be submitted for approval
 - Email: admin@rockinghamflames.com.au
- Playing shorts must comply with RBRA rules
- Juniors:
 - Club/ team matching shorts
 - Flames black training shorts
 - Plain black shorts – only small logo permitted
 - No pockets
- Seniors:
 - Variations are permitted
 - Board shorts, booty shorts, shorts with
 - No pockets

Working With Children

Working With Children Checks (WWC) are essential to help keep children in our community safe. Team organisers are responsible for ensuring the following:

- All coaches, including fill-in coaches, have a valid WWC check where required
- Team organisers must maintain an up-to-date record of all WWC details
- For more information, refer to the WWC Fact Sheet:: https://www.wa.gov.au/system/files/2023-11/factsheet_org03_wwcc_sport_and_recreation_sector.pdf

Medical Exemptions

- All medical exemption requests must be submitted via email to:
admin@rockinghamflames.com.au

Fees & KidSport Vouchers

Team Fees

Team fees are compulsory and must be paid in a maximum of three instalments via our online portal. Payment links will be sent to team organisers. The payment schedule is as follows:

- Total Fees: \$1,790.00 per team
- Instalment One: \$700.00 – Payable at team registration (clubs will be invoiced)
- Instalment Two: \$650.00 – Due in competition week 1-2 (all teams)

- Instalment Three/Final: \$440.00 – Due in competition week 3-4 (all teams)

Additional notes:

- Clubs will be invoiced and must pay within two weeks
- Non-club teams will receive payment link with a two-week deadline

Failure to make the final payment by the due date may result in the team being prohibited from playing until financial.

RBRA Season Player Fee

- A compulsory fee for each player participating in any RBRA season
- \$60.00 per player, per season
- Valid from the first game of the season to the last game played
- Players involved in two competitions must request a code from RBRA to override the second \$60.00 fee

BWA/ BA/ PlayHQ Fees

- BWA affiliation and BA game development fees are paid annually
- PlayHQ platform fees may apply at checkout when registering

Kidsport Vouchers

- Vouchers may be used for team fees only
- Vouchers must be sent to the team organiser
- Team organisers or clubs must complete this kidsport form:
 - Form: <https://forms.gle/mMaYG4Sc1NimGjxv6>
 - All queries to be emailed to: accounts@rockinghamflames.com.au
- Vouchers will generally be deducted from the final instalment
 - If the final instalment is less than the voucher value, the amount will be deducted from the second instalment
- The deadline for submitting vouchers is 7 days prior to competition week 1
- Late vouchers will not be accepted

Fees may differ from season to season.

Senior Bonds

- All senior teams must pay a \$200.00 team bond prior to the season commencing
- If a player is ejected, receives two technical fouls, two unsportsmanlike fouls, a disqualification foul, or a combination of any of these, \$50.00 will be deducted from the team bond for the first offence
- Deductions may increase for further offences
- If a player is sent to tribunal and found guilty, an additional deduction from the team bond may apply
- The team bond must be replenished prior to the following game
- See bank details below

Bond Refunds

- Teams exiting the competition may request a bond refund by completing and submitting a refund form
- The refund form is available on our website, Forms tab: rockinghamflames.com.au
 - Emailed to: accounts@rockinghamflames.com.au

Forfeits

- Forfeits must be submitted by the following deadlines to avoid a penalty:
 - Monday to Friday competitions: 12:00pm on the day of the scheduled game
 - Saturday competitions: 8:00am on the day of the scheduled game
- Forfeit notices must be:
 - Emailed to: forfeits.rbra@gmail.com
- The forfeit fine must be paid before the team's next game in order to be cleared to play
- The team organiser is responsible for paying the fine in one single payment
- See bank details below

Byes

- RBRA will make every effort to avoid byes
- Where byes are unavoidable, no refunds will be issued

Refunds

- Refunds after the season has commenced are not guaranteed and will be assessed on a case-by-case basis
- All refunds may incur an administration fee
- Refund requests must be submitted within 30 days from the date of purchase
- Approved refunds will be processed within a minimum of 14 business days
- The refund form is available on our website under the Forms tab:
<https://www.rockinghamflames.com.au/>
- Completed refund forms must be emailed to: accounts@rockinghamflames.com.au

Bank Details

- Bendigo Bank
- BSB #: 633-000
- Account #: 193616265

COVID 19

- There will be no refunds for games lost due to COVID-19, unless otherwise recommended by the Domestic Basketball Committee and approved by the RBRA Board
- Make-up games will be scheduled where possible

Team Organisers

As the designated team contact, I understand that:

- It is my responsibility to ensure my teams and/or members are aware that official communication from RBRA will be directed to the team organiser
- It is my responsibility to communicate all game information to all relevant people
- It is my responsibility to communicate updates and responses from RBRA to all relevant people
- It is my responsibility to raise all queries or concerns with RBRA
- Individual people should refrain from contacting RBRA directly unless they require further clarification or specific information outside of what team organisers can provide
- It is my responsibility to ensure that all team members, coaches, managers, and spectators treat others — especially referees — with respect at all times
- It is my responsibility to ensure that all team members, coaches, managers, and spectators abide by all RBRA domestic rules, by-laws, terms and conditions, codes of conduct, and policies
- I have the authority to seek assistance from a court controller if any in-game issues arise

RBRA Domestic Rules and By-laws, Terms and Conditions

- All RBRA rules, by-laws, and terms and conditions are subject to change
- All RBRA rules, by-laws, and terms and conditions are reviewed regularly
- These may differ from season to season at the discretion of the RBRA
- For further clarification, refer to the RBRA Domestic Competition Rules and By-Laws available on our website under the Domestic tab: www.rockinghamflames.com.au

APPENDIX A

2025-26 Competition Grades (age groups).

Players must play in the grade (age group) determined by year of birth which is calculated by the year the season ends. Refer to RBRA Domestic Competition Rules and By-laws for further clarification

2025-26 Grades by Year of Birth				
Competition Grade (Age Group)	Year Born	Age Player is Turning in 2026	Venue	Game Day
U8's	2019/2020	6-7 years	MBSC	Tuesday
U10-Boys	2017/2018	8-9 years	MBSC	Monday
U10-Girls	2017/2018	8-9 years	MBSC	Tuesday
U12's	2015/2016	10-11 years	BISC	Saturday
U14's	2013/2014	12-13 years	MBSC	Friday
U16-Boys (A, B, C)	2011/2012	14-15 years	MBSC	Thursday
U16-Boys (D, E)	2011/2012	14-15 years	BISC	Saturday
U17 Girls	2010/2011/2012	14-16 years	MBSC	Thursday
U18-A Boys	2009/2010	16-17 years	MBSC	Tuesday
U18-B, C, D Boys	2009/2010	16-17 years	MBSC	Thursday
U21's	2006/2007/2008	18-20 years	MBSC	Tuesday
Seniors	2011	Minimum Age Turning 15 years old by 31.12.2026	MBSC	Tuesday/ Thursday

- Divisions and game day are a guide only and may be subject to change at the discretion of RBRA
- MBSC = Mike Barnett Sports Complex
- BISC = Baldivis Indoor Sports Complex