



RBRA Domestic Competition Rules and By-Laws

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Foreword

It is the intention of these rules to facilitate and foster the development of social and competitive Basketball within the Rockingham District.

We urge all participants to read the Rockingham Basketball and Recreation Association Domestic Competition Rules and By-laws.

The Rockingham Basketball and Recreation Association reserves the right to amend or introduce these Rules mid-season, should they feel it is necessary.

If you require clarification of any rule, please direct your enquiry in writing to:

- Competition Manager: admin@rockinghamflames.com.au

Change History

Version	Date	Revised By	Description
2.1	07.2013	DBC	Existing Competition Rules - prior history and change dates unknown
3.0	01.08.2017		Complete revision due to changed process. Numerous changes. Reformatting to include change history recording
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3.3	26.08.2021	- Karina Tudor - Dean Horsington - Sharon Matenga	Revised and updated. - U08s will now play first round of club semi-finals - Player transfer rule will have 7-day limit for actioning from exiting Club/ team - Players out of uniform will be penalised by a deduction of 10 team points per game - rule for abandoned games updated
3.4	03.12.2021	- Karina Tudor - Sharon Matenga	Revised and updated Appendix regarding WABL/ State rules
3.5	13.01.2023	- Karina Tudor - Sharon Matenga	Revised and updated wording
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1 Interpretation of the Rules

1.1 Definitions

Term	Definition
Association	Rockingham Basketball and Recreation Association will be referred to as the RBRA
Board	The RBRA Board of Directors duly appointed under the Constitution of the RBRA
CC	Court Controllers are person/s in charge of game-day operations
CM	Competition Manager oversees all Domestic competitions
Division	The various skill levels used to group teams within a grade.
Domestic Club	One (1) or more teams identified by name or uniform
Domestic Club Official	President/Chairperson or Vice President/ Chairperson of a Club
Employees	RBRA Staff, Referees, Referee Coaches, Court Controllers
Electronic Scoring Device	A tablet or laptop that is used to record scores and fouls of the game. The electronic score board controller is the device used to put scores and fouls up onto the score board
Grade	Team categories based on the birthyear of the players
Grading Committee	RBRA appointed committee assigned to oversee the grading of all Competitions
New Players	Players who have not played in the previous season of an RBRA Domestic Competition
Player Transfers	Any player looking to move to a different Club or Team
RC	Referee Coordinator
Referee	An official who enforces and maintains order in the game
Referee Coach	Official responsible for overseeing Referees during a game
Representative Player	Any player who is playing in, or played in a Team in the most recent completed Season/ Competition in: NBL1, BWA State, WABL
SM	Stadium Employees of Management
Team	A group of between 4 and 12 players
Volunteers of the RBRA	Board members, Committee Members, Advisory Members, RBRA Coaches and Managers, Tribunal Panel
WABL	Junior representative players who play in the Basketball WA run Western Australian Basketball League
WC	WABL Committee oversees all WABL Competitions
Website	rockinghamflames.com.au

1.2 Interpretation

- 1.2.1 Day to day interpretation of the rules are the responsibility of the Court Controllers, Referee Coaches and Referees. Their decision will be adhered to, to enable continuation of a game
- 1.2.2 Disputation of interpretation must follow the procedure. For further clarification refer to section 16 'Reports and Protests'

2 Rules and General Provisions

2.1 Rules

- 2.1.1 FIBA official basketball rules and official interpretations shall apply unless otherwise provided in these by-laws
- 2.1.2 As our competition is not fully timed, minor adjustments will be made to the FIBA rules which cannot be enforced fairly without stopping the game clock
- 2.1.3 Special conditions apply to certain Competitions. For further clarification refer to section 17 'Special Rules'
- 2.1.4 RBRA Rules and By-Laws shall apply in other administrative matters not covered by these rules

2.2 General Provisions

- 2.2.1 Parents/Guardians of Players (under 18 years of age) suffering from an illness of medical condition are responsible for the Player and asked to make the Coaches and Managers aware of that condition. This information will be kept confidential
- 2.2.2 It is the joint responsibility of the Coaches and Referees to ensure that any Player who is bleeding or has an open wound is substituted.
- 2.2.3 Any blood on the court shall be removed using the blood spill kit by the Court Controller
- 2.2.4 At the referee's final discretion:
 - The Player may return to the court only after the bleeding has stopped and affected area or open wound has been completely, and securely covered
 - If the bleeding cannot be stopped, the Player is not to return to the court. Any clothing soiled with blood is to be removed before a Player is allowed back on to the court
- 2.2.5 Injured Players should not be moved until someone with first-aid training has attended to them or their parent/ guardian decides to do so
- 2.2.6 No modifications to the court will be made
- 2.2.7 Any Official or Staff Member of the Association has the authority to ask a person over the age of 18 years old, to leave the stadium
- 2.2.8 All RBRA Policies & Codes of Conduct (available on the Rockingham Flames website) are taken to apply to **all** participants of RBRA Domestic competitions. This applies to all venues (e.g Mike Barnett Sports Complex, Baldivis Indoor Sports Complex)

2.3 RBRA Competitions – Rules & By-Laws

- 2.3.1 RBRA adopt the Basketball WA Tribunal By-laws
 - 2.3.2 All RBRA rules and by-laws are subject to change
 - 2.3.3 All RBRA rules and by-laws are reviewed regular
 - 2.3.4 All rules and by-laws may be overridden during the season at the discretion of the RBRA
- ***These may differ from season to season at the discretion of the RBRA

3 Registrations

3.1 Team Nomination

- 3.1.1 Team entry may be capped subject to numbers
- 3.1.2 Team registrations are to be completed by the due date set. Late entries *may* be considered by emailing the CM
- 3.1.3 Clubs will enter Teams into '**grades**' and '**divisions**' via Club portal in PlayHQ
- 3.1.4 Non-Club Teams will complete an expression of interest form available on the website. If successful in securing a spot in a competition, the registration link will be sent to the team organiser from the CM
- 3.1.5 Club Team fees will be invoiced in line with non-Club Team timeline
- 3.1.6 Teams must be entered adhering to the grading structure in place.
- 3.1.7 All teams must abide by the Representative Player restrictions rules.

***For further clarification refer to Appendix D and E

3.2 Player Registration General

- 3.2.1 Players must register into their Teams by the due date set by the CM, using the PlayHQ link provided from their Club or non-Club Team organiser
- 3.2.2 Players must pay the RBRA Season Player fees plus BWA affiliation fee if due for renewal

3.3 Junior Players Registration

- 3.3.1 Junior Players must play in the '**grade**' determined by year of birth
- 3.3.2 Junior Players may play up '**1**' additional 'grade' (age group) as a second competition. They cannot play up alone, only *in addition* to their grade.
- 3.3.3 Junior Players cannot play in more than '**1**' team in any grade (e.g. they may only play in '**1**' team in Under 16s).

3.4 Junior Representative Player Restrictions

- 3.4.1 RBRA Domestic Competitions have strict restrictions for NBL1, BWA State, WABL selected Players in Domestic Competitions
- 3.4.2 Generally, a Team may have a maximum of '3' in-grade WABL players with '2' out-of-grade WABL players playing up

***For further clarification refer to Appendix D and E

3.5 Senior Player Registration

- 3.5.1 Senior Players may play up '1' division, by request in writing to the CM
- 3.5.2 Senior Players can only play up a maximum of '3' games before permanently registering into the higher-division team
- 3.5.3 Junior Players who play in the Seniors Competitions do so at their own risk
- 3.5.4 Junior Players who play in the Seniors Competitions will be subject to the same rules as Seniors

3.6 Playing in '2' Competitions

- 3.6.1 Players in 2 competitions must obtain a voucher code to override the second RBRA season player fee by emailing the CM
- 3.6.2 The original grade (birthyear) is prioritised as a player's **first team** over the grade in which they are playing up in.

3.7 Fill-In Player

- 3.7.1 Both non-RBRA registered players and RBRA registered players can fill-in a maximum of '2' games
- 3.7.2 Fill-in players RBRA registered or not, may only play in '1' team in any grade
- 3.7.3 Non-RBRA registered fill-in Players must purchase a voucher from the RBRA website which allows them to play '1' single game per voucher
- 3.7.4 Fill-in vouchers expire '6' days from purchase
- 3.7.5 Once a player has filled in twice, they must register into the team they have filled in for before playing the third game

*** For further clarification on Registrations refer to Appendix D and E

4 Divisions

4.1 Grading (into divisions)

- 4.1.1 Clubs and non-Club Teams should allocate Teams into each division considering the Representative count in each team
- 4.1.2 Division A = Teams with 3+ WABL representative Players
- 4.1.3 Division B = Teams with 1-2 WABL representative Players
- 4.1.4 Divisions C-D = 0 WABL representative players
- 4.1.5 State Players will be classed as in-grade WABL Players in all teams, and are capped at '1' per team
- 4.1.6 WABL teams who have received an exemption to play in any Domestic competition must play up a grade that is higher than the WABL competition they are playing in and in Division A were deemed suitable
 - WABL teams must put forward an application to play in any Domestic competition by emailing the CM prior to fixtures being set
- 4.1.7 Grading will take place over the first '3' weeks of competition with minor adjustments occurring where necessary thereafter
- 4.1.8 Last minute game changes may occur at the Grading committee's discretion
- 4.1.9 Ladders will not commence until round '4'

***For further clarification on WABL Players refer to Appendix D and E

5 Player Transfers

5.1 Junior Domestic Player Clearances

- 5.1.1 A Player may move Domestic Clubs or non-Club Teams by acquiring a player transfer
- 5.1.2 Applications are accepted when a Player is entering into a new season only
- 5.1.3 In-season transfers must be applied for by emailing the CM
- 5.1.4 Seasons commence round 1 of any competition including grading
- 5.1.5 Player clearance forms are available on the RBRA website
- 5.1.6 No representative player shall be permitted to transfer into a Team that will cause a non-compliance with the rules. For further clarification refer to Appendix D and E
- 5.1.7 Players must attempt to resolve any differences with existing Club or Team
- 5.1.8 All details must be completed by the Player, Club or Team and CM
- 5.1.9 Players must not play in a new Club or Team without final approval email being received from the CM
- 5.1.10 No transfer will be approved where fees are outstanding, or property has not been returned
- 5.1.11 Should the Club or non-Club Team fail to approve the transfer within '7' days of being notified, the matter can be referred to the CM

5.2 Coercion, Persuasion of Junior Players

- 5.2.1 Clubs, non-Club Teams are not permitted to offer a place to, or play a Player until a transfer request has been considered, and approved by the Players existing Club or Team and CM
- 5.2.2 No transfer will be approved where a Player has been approached, coerced and/ or persuaded in anyway by an official or representative of RBRA or any Club/ Team Member
- 5.2.3 If found in breach of this, the offending Club, Team or person may be reported for unsportsmanlike behaviour to the RBRA Tribunal Panel for consideration
*** For further clarification refer to section 16 'Reports and Protests'

6 Fixtures and Venues

6.1 Fixtures and Competition Days

- 6.1.1 Byes will be avoided wherever possible
- 6.1.2 Game times may be subject to change depending on the volume of Teams
- 6.1.3 Game days may be subject to change depending on the volume of Teams
- 6.1.4 Game days and times may be subject to change where an NBL1 home game is fixtured
- 6.1.5 Competitions may cycle across more than one day in any '1' week
- 6.1.6 Where extreme circumstances require a game to be postponed, or defer a scheduled fixture, then a written application to the RBRA is required
- 6.1.7 Where possible the RBRA will attempt to reschedule
- 6.1.8 If 2 games clash, players must play in their grade determined by birth year first. The team within a player's age group is prioritised as their first team (E.g.: Turning 15 in 2026 means

they must play in Under 16s. They can play in the Under 18s as their second team but if both are scheduled at the same time, they must play in Under 16s).

6.2 Venues

- 6.2.1 RBRA will operate out of satellite venues including Baldivis Indoor Sports Complex (BISC) and Mike Barnett Sports Complex (MBSC)
- 6.2.2 Fixtures may include cycling through more than one venue or day per season
- 6.2.3 Venues may be subject to change depending on the volume of Teams registered in each competition
- 6.2.4 Venues may be subject to change where an NBL1 home game is fixtured

7 Illegal Players

7.1 Players Who are Classed as Illegal for Game Purposes

- 7.1.1 Players playing in an incorrect age group
- 7.1.2 Players who are not playing in the grade determined by year of birth
- 7.1.3 Players who are not playing in a grade that is under the age they are turning during the season
- 7.1.4 Players playing in, or played in 2 different teams in any one grade without a player clearance being signed by the CM
- 7.1.5 Player not having their Full name entered on the electronic scoring device
- 7.1.6 Players not in attendance and do not have their name entered on the electronic scoring device by half time
- 7.1.7 Playing under a false name
- 7.1.8 Playing in a lower grade or division than what they are registered into
- 7.1.9 Representative Players participating in a competition that is not in compliance with Appendix E. This includes fill-in Players
- 7.1.10 Female playing in a male grade, or male playing in a female grade unless the grade is mixed
- 7.1.11 Playing while under suspension
- 7.1.12 Playing while identified as un-financial with the RBRA
- 7.1.13 Playing in the finals series, where deemed an illegal Player in the Minor rounds
- 7.1.14 Playing in the finals series without meeting eligibility criteria of a minimum of '6' games played
- 7.1.15 Any exemptions must be put in writing to the CM

7.2 Penalty for An Illegal Player

- 7.2.1 If a team fields an illegal Player or does not comply with the RBRA Domestic Rules and By-laws, they shall lose the game by forfeit and the opposition team will be awarded the win
- 7.2.2 Players are not permitted to play in an active game if they are not in attendance by half time, and their name is not on the electronic scoring device.

- 7.2.3 Playing a Player when knowing they are an illegal Player may be seen as unsportsmanlike behaviour and reported to the RBRA Tribunal Committee
- 7.2.4 Any protests in relation to eligibility of a Player must first be direct to the CM via email, followed up with the CC at the time if it is unable to be resolved, following procedure outlined in section 16 'Reports and Protests'

*** For further clarification on Illegal Players, refer to Appendix A, B, C, D and E

8 Premiership Ladders / Competition Points

8.1 Premiership Ladders

- 8.1.1 Under 08s and 10s will not show ladders on the RBRA public PlayHQ landing page
- 8.1.2 All other ladders will be displayed in order of Win/ Loss/ Draw followed by overall For/ Against points percentage
- 8.1.3 Ladders will commence in round 4 of any Season

8.2 Competition Points

- 8.2.1 Draws will remain in the Minor rounds, not in the finals series
- 8.2.2 There will be no overtime in the Minor rounds, only in the finals series
- 8.2.3 Final premiership ladder positions for teams finishing on equal points will be decided in the "Head-to-Head" basis, this being the team with the greatest number of wins against the other team is ranked higher
- 8.2.4 In the events that the team cannot be split using this method, it reverts to game points scored differential in the games between the subject teams
- 8.2.5 In the event this stills results in teams being unable to be split, it will revert to overall For/ Against points percentage
- 8.2.6 Competition points will be awarded for the compilation of the premiership ladder as '3' points Win (including a forfeit win), '2' points Draw, '2' points Bye, '1' point Loss, '0' points for a forfeit loss
- 8.2.7 A 'Washout' game will be considered a Draw with '2' Premiership Points awarded to each team and the score recorded as 20-20
- 8.2.8 A team joining the competition after the competition has commenced, will receive no competition points for the games they have missed
- 8.2.9 A Team requesting regrading outside of the grading period will normally not carry competition points from the previous division to the new division. This is at the discretion of the RBRA to be fair and equitable for all teams affected

9 Finals Series Rounds

9.1 Finals Series Format

- 9.1.1 Finals will be conducted on a 1st vs 4th and 2nd vs 3rd basis with the two winners playing off in the grand final
- 9.1.2 Finals format may be subject to change where it is deemed to be in the best interest of that grade. Where possible this decision will be made no later than week '4' of the competition, however in special circumstances this may occur at any time during a Season
- 9.1.3 If a Team withdraws from the competition before commencement of the finals series, they shall be removed from the premiership ladder and will not qualify for finals

9.2 Finals Series Eligibility

- 9.2.1 A Player must be credited with '6' qualifying games for a particular competition to be eligible for the finals.
- 9.2.2 Only qualifying games may be credited to Players for Finals eligibility in a particular grade
- 9.2.3 A qualifying game is any game including forfeits that is not a part of a finals series
- 9.2.4 A qualifying game may be credited to a Player for Finals eligibility in a particular grade/division provided:
 - They are not an illegal Player.
 - They are legally substituted into the game.
 - They have their full name and playing number entered in the electronic scoring device
- 9.2.5 Byes are not considered as a qualifying game
- 9.2.6 A game shall be considered a washout if there were no results recorded
- 9.2.7 Games declared a washout do not count towards individuals qualifying number of games for Finals eligibility
 - This may be subject to change at the discretion of the RBRA on application to provide a fair and equitable outcome dependant on the circumstances of the wash-out
- 9.2.8 In the event of a game being lost by forfeit, the qualifying game shall not be credited to any Players of that team for Finals eligibility
- 9.2.9 In the event of a game won by forfeit, Players of that team will be credited with the qualifying game for Finals eligibility
 - Notified forfeits: All Players who are registered for the team at the time of the forfeit
 - Un-notified forfeits: All players who are present and have their name entered into the electronic scoring device prior to the forfeit
- 9.2.10 In the event of a Player legally changing teams as a result of a transfer or team withdrawal, games shall remain credited to that Player in the new team
- 9.2.11 In the event of injury, a Player does not need to be present to be credited with a qualifying game. A medical certificate must be provided to the CM to be considered for an exemption

9.2.12 If an RBRA representative team has been entered into a Domestic competition, they will appear on the Premiership Tables, but will not participate in Finals Series and be withdrawn following the final fixture

9.2.13 Any protests in relation to the Eligibility of a Player participating in a Final Series must be emailed to the CM for consideration

*** All areas are subject to change at the discretion of the RBRA

10 Abandoned Games

10.1 Outcome

10.1.1 If a game has reached half time before being abandoned, the game results shall stand

10.1.2 If the game has commenced but has not reached half time and one team forfeits due to justifiable injuries, the game will be classed as a full-time game with scores standing

- This game will still be classed as a played game and eligible for finals

10.1.3 If the game has not reached half time before being abandoned due to anything out of the RBRA's control, there shall be no result, and the game shall be considered a wash-out with 20 points being awarded to each team

10.1.4 Out of RBRA control may include, but not be limited to:

- Power outage
- Wet floors

11 Responsibilities

11.1 Scorers

11.1.1 All teams must provide a competent scorer/ timer for the duration of the game. Where the scorers cannot decide amongst themselves:

- Team A shall complete the electronics scoring device
- Team B shall complete the electronic scoreboard controller

11.1.2 Scorers/ timers have no influence on the game other than to fulfil their scoring duties

11.2 Coaches and Managers

11.2.1 It is the Coaches or Managers responsibility to ensure that the Players names are entered correctly on the electronic scoring device or paper score sheet

11.2.2 Only '1' Coach is permitted to remain stand at any one time during the game

11.2.3 Coach and assistant coaches are prohibited from standing at the same time

11.2.4 Coaches and team Managers are responsible for ensuring all other people in their team bench area including Players, remain seated

11.2.5 If any information in the electronic scoring device is disputed, it is the responsibility of the Coach and Team manager to follow procedure by sourcing a CC

- 11.2.6 All volunteers, including Coaches, Managers must meet all legislative and RBRA requirements in relation to Working with Children checks and Police Volunteer checks if required
- 11.2.7 It is the Coach or Team Managers responsibility to return all Bibs at the conclusion of the game. Any Bibs not returned shall be charged to the Team
- 11.2.8 Coaches and Managers are responsible for ensuring that all team invoices are paid by the due date specified by the CM
- 11.2.9 Coaches and Managers are responsible for ensuring that any “Fill-in” Players are appropriate for the grade and division, and the relevant registration has occurred
- 11.2.10 Coaches and Managers are responsible for ensuring all junior teams have an adult present at each game to be responsible for the Team’s actions

12 Game Start / Late Start

12.1 To Start A Game

- 12.1.1 A game shall not start unless each Team has at least ‘4’ season registered Players present and ready to play
- 12.1.2 Fill-in Players do not count towards the minimum of ‘4’ season registered players
- 12.1.3 Fill-in Players must show the Court Controllers the fill-in receipt
- 12.1.4 Players must play under their own name
- 12.1.5 Matching uniforms are required
- 12.1.6 Juniors must have mouthguards in

12.2 Penalty For Late Starting Game

- 12.2.1 Failure to start a game on time may result in a ‘2’ point penalty being awarded to the opposition team for every minute or part thereof, that the game is delayed
- 12.2.2 Teams can elect to not begin playing, but may be subject to the late start penalty and forfeit rules as defined in these Competition Rules and By-laws

***This is up to the referee’s discretion depending on the lateness of the game

12.3 Late Starting Player

- 12.3.1 Players are not permitted to play in an active game if they are not in attendance by the end of the first half, and their name is not on the electronic scoring device or game sheet
- 12.3.2 In this case, the result is the player is ineligible to play for that game
- 12.3.3 Being added to the score sheet is at the CC’s discretion

13 Forfeits

13.1 Notified / Un-Notified

- 13.1.1 Notified Forfeits have a strict deadline to avoid penalties

13.1.2 Deadlines to avoid a penalty are:

- Monday - Friday Competitions, notification must be received by no later than 12.00pm on the day of the scheduled game
- Saturday Competitions, notification must be received by no later than 8.00am on the day of the scheduled game

13.1.3 Forfeits are to be emailed to: forfeits.RBRA@gmail

13.1.4 Un-notified Forfeits where sufficient notification has not been provided will be subject to penalties

13.2 Forfeit Penalty / Other

13.2.1 Penalties may apply where proven a team has fielded an illegal Player

13.2.2 If a team does not have '4' Players who have legally taken the court within '10' minutes of the scheduled starting time, they shall lose by forfeit

13.2.3 If a Team plays while having an RBRA invoice overdue, they shall lose by forfeit

13.2.4 If one Team forfeits, the final score will be 20-0

13.2.5 If both Teams forfeiting the result shall be recorded as 0-0 forfeit loss to each Team

13.2.6 Any team forfeiting '3' times in any '1' Season, may be removed at the discretion of the RBRA

13.2.7 If a game has commenced but has not reached half-time and '1' Team forfeits due to justifiable injuries, the game will be classed as a full-time game with scores standing. This game will still be classed as played and eligible for finals

13.2.8 Late forfeiting Teams will be subject to fines as imposed by RBRA

*** For further clarification refer to Appendix C 'Fines, Penalties and Charges

14 Timing of Games

14.1 Minor Rounds

14.1.1 All Minor Round games shall be timed from a central running clock comprising of 2 x 19-minute halves with a '2' minute half time break

14.1.2 '2' time outs are permitted per team in each half

14.1.3 No time outs are permitted in the final '3' minutes of either half of the game

14.2 Finals Series

14.2.1 Finals Series games shall be timed from individual court clocks comprising of:

- 19- minute 1st half, running clock
- 2-minutes half time break
- 19-minutes 2nd half with first 16-minutes running clock
- Last '3' minutes will be fully timed

14.2.2 Extra Periods apply in finals, and shall commence after a 2-minute break for 3-minutes and are fully timed

14.2.3 '2' time outs are permitted in each half, and '1' time out in any extra period

- 14.2.4 No time outs are permitted in the final '3' minutes of the 1st half of the game

15 Equipment

15.1 Stadium Property, RBRA Property

- 15.1.1 Any Player, Spectator or other found abusing Stadium property including hanging off the rings, maybe reported to the Stadium Management at the discretion of any Official or Employee of the RBRA
- 15.1.2 Any Player, Spectator or other found abusing RBRA property may be expelled from the stadium at the discretion of any Official or Employee of the RBRA and may be subject to other disciplinary actions

15.2 Basketballs

- 15.2.1 RBRA will supply a suitable basketball to use as a game ball
- 15.2.2 Basketball sizes in Juniors are as follows:
- Size 5: U08, U10, U12 boys and girls
 - Size 6: U14s boys and girls
 - Size 6: U16, U17, U18 girls
 - Size 7: U16s, U18s, U21s boys
- 15.2.3 Basketball sizes in Seniors are as follows:
- Size 6: Women's
 - Size 7: Men's

16 Reports and Protests

16.1 RBRA

- 16.1.1 The RBRA adopts and enforces the Disciplinary Tribunal Procedures from BWA as per Appendix A, B and C lists charges and penalties
- 16.1.2 All persons entering RBRA venues or affiliated stadiums may be subject to report by any Official or Staff Member of the RBRA
- 16.1.3 Protests and disputes must be submitted in writing to the CM within 24 hours of the said event and contain comprehensive account of the event
- 16.1.4 The CM will refer all protests/ disputes to the RBRA for consideration. The RBRA may refer the matter to the Board who may appoint a judicial panel to investigate and rule on the matter. The judicial panel may then refer the matter to the Board for a final decision. The finding on the matter will be informed to all parties involved by the management level making the finding
- 16.1.5 The CM will refer all Reports to the RBRA Disciplinary Tribunal Panel as per Appendix A

16.2 Membership Protection Policy

- 16.2.1 The RBRA adopted the Basketball Australia Membership Protection Policy updated on 18th June 2018
- 16.2.2 Basketball Australia Membership Policy can be found on the BWA website: <https://basketballwa.asn.au/wp-content/uploads/2018/08/Item-TBC-ii-BA-Member-Protection-Policy-Revised-June-2018-CLEAN.pdf>

17 Special Rules

17.1 Under 08s and 10s

- 17.1.1 No finals series will be played
- 17.1.2 No uniforms or late start penalties shall be applied. Penalisation for ongoing non-compliance with these rules will be at the discretion of the RBRA.
- 17.1.3 Scoreboards will be used; however they will not show a team leading by more than '20' points. This will continue until the margin reduces to less the '20' points and shall be known as the mercy rule
- 17.1.4 Backboards will be lowered to a hoop height of 8 feet
- 17.1.5 Free throws will be taken from the 'front of the circle'
- 17.1.6 In all out of bounds situations in the offensive backcourt, all defensive players must remain in their defensive side of the court (i.e. must not cross the half court line)
- 17.1.7 The '3' point line will not be used. Successful shots from beyond the '3' point arc shall count as '2' points
- 17.1.8 Teams are allowed to use Players from opposing teams/ Clubs or from Teams in a lower grade or division to avoid a forfeit
- 17.1.9 The defence shall retreat to half court after a basket is scored and in all out of bounds situations in the offensive backcourt. They must remain on their defensive side of the half court line until the ball is advanced
- 17.1.10 Any Team who is leading by twenty (20) or more points (i.e. the scoring mercy rule is in place) must retreat to the defensive 3-point line after a basket is scored and in all out of bounds situations in the offensive backcourt until the opposition has brought the basketball into the offensive frontcourt. When the ball is progressed over the half court line, they may move beyond the 3-point line and commence normal defence
- 17.1.11 No awards (MVP / Premiership) shall apply to under 08s or U10s

17.2 Under 12s and 14s

- 17.2.1 The inside (6.25m) '3' point line will be used in situations where both the 6.25m and 6.75m '3' point line are marked. If only one '3' point line is marked that will be utilised
- 17.2.2 Any Team who is leading by '30' or more points, their defense shall retreat to half court after a basket is scored and in all out of bounds situations in the offensive backcourt. They must remain on their defensive side of the half court line until the ball is advanced over the line

17.3 Zone Defence

17.3.1 Zone Defence is not permitted in Under 08s, 10s, 12s and 14s

- Zone defence is described by BWA as: Any defence played in the offensive frontcourt, which does not incorporate normal man-to-man defensive principals, shall be considered a zone. For this purpose, trapping defences that rotate back to man-on-man defensive principles shall be acceptable. Trapping defences and double team defences in the offensive backcourt shall be acceptable, but must rotate back to man-to-man defence in the offensive frontcourt
- The penalty for playing a zone defence is a technical foul being charged and entered in the electronic scoring device or scoresheet against the coach of the offending team.
- Only the Referee/Referee Coach may determine whether a prohibited defence is being played. If it is believed that a prohibited defence is being played, please ask for the Referee Coach. If it is an illegal defence, the Referee Coach shall instruct the Referees to charge a technical foul against the Coach and the appropriate penalty applied

*** All other grades will play standard rules and are not restricted by the Zone Defence rule

17.4 Score Margin Management in under 12s and 14s

17.4.1 Applies to Teams are winning by 30 points or more

17.4.2 Scorers are not to add further points to the leading Team's scoreboard once the '30' point difference has been reached

17.4.3 Should the score difference return to under '30' points difference, regular scoring on the scoreboard may recommence

17.4.4 Mandatory 'half-court defence' - No full court press

17.5 Score Margin Management in under 12s and 14s Consideration

17.5.1 Instructing your Players to dribble with non-preferred hand

17.5.2 Instruct your Players to lay-up and shoot with no-preferred hand

17.5.3 Try to pass the ball to all players prior to shooting

17.5.4 Avoid double teaming Players

17.5.5 Play man to man at least an arm's length away

17.5.6 Sub and rest stronger Players - this will allow others to develop

17.5.7 Use all your time outs

17.5.8 Play only '4' Players when the opposition only has '4' Players to start the game

17.5.9 Be a good sport and role model to not only your Players but to others

17.6 Penalty for Non-Compliance

17.6.1 Non-compliance of these rules may result in a technical foul being awarded

- 17.6.2 This penalty is at the Referee's and Referee Coach's discretion, who have authority to implement this penalty
- 17.6.3 Good Sportsmanship is expected at all times
- 17.6.4 Failure to show good Sportsmanship may result in disciplinary action

17.7 All Other Grades Not Mentioned in section 16.1 and 16.2

- 17.7.1 The outside (6.75m) '3' point line will be used in situations where both the 6.25m and 6.75m '3' point line are marked. If only one '3' point line is marked that will be utilised

17.8 Seniors

- 17.8.1 Players wishing to register to play in '2' divisions of a Senior's competition must apply in writing to the CM who will take into consideration the effect that Player will have on the overall competition of both affected divisions, prior to giving a decision on the matter
- 17.8.2 Players may fill-in for a higher division, but not for a lower one (EG: if registered to Division A cannot play/ fill-in for a B/ C/ D division Team)
- 17.8.3 A fill-in Player from a lower division team may only fill-in a maximum of '3' times before permanently playing for the higher-division team only

17.9 Team Fouls

- 17.9.1 A Team is in a team foul penalty situation when it has committed '7' Team fouls in a half. That is, if the team foul penalty is applicable, free throws shall be shot on the 8th Team foul

17.10 Technical Fouls

- 17.10.1 A player who receives a technical that is deemed, at the discretion of the referee, to be a behavioural technical foul (ie: abuse, swearing) will need to be subbed out of the game for a period of 5-minutes of running game clock. This time includes time-outs but excludes half time. After 5-minutes has been served the player may be subbed back into the game.

18 Awards

18.1 Grand Final Team

- 18.1.1 In each competition from U12s and above, the winner of the grand final will be declared the premiers/ champions for that competition and will be recognised as determined by the RBRA
- 18.1.2 Winning and Runner-up Teams will receive an award
- 18.1.3 Awards are presented directly after the game ends

18.2 Most Valuable Player

- 18.2.1 For grand-final round only, each competition from U12s and above will have '1' single MVP chosen

- 18.2.2 These are chosen from an independent person
- 18.2.3 MVP Awards are presented directly after the game ends
- *** This may differ from season to season at the discretion of the RBRA

18.3 Under 08s and 10s

- 18.3.1 Under 08 and under 10 players will receive an award
- 18.3.2 This is presented directly after the final game is played

19 Uniforms

19.1 Compulsory Uniforms

- 19.1.1 Mouthguards are compulsory in all competitions from U08s - U18s and are recommended for all other competitions. This support is in line with the strategies and initiatives of SportSafe and Basketball WA
- 19.1.2 All uniforms must be approved by the RBRA
- 19.1.3 Uniform design and Team names must be emailed to CM
- 19.1.4 Matching uniforms are required for both Junior and Senior Competitions
- 19.1.5 Standard FIBA rules apply for sizing and style
- 19.1.6 Playing singlets (t-shirts are prohibited) to have a visible front number 5cm + and visible back number height 20cm +
- 19.1.7 Playing shorts to be mid-thigh to knee length
- 19.1.8 Player numbers to be between 0, 00-99 only

19.2 Variations and Exceptions

- 19.2.1 No uniform penalty for the first '3' weeks of the season. Any further exemption needs to be emailed to the CM prior to week '3'
- 19.2.2 New players first game, this does not include Players who are filling in from the grade below
- 19.2.3 No grace period for pockets in shorts or singlets
- 19.2.4 A Player has written consent from the CM
- 19.2.5 A Player wearing an alternative shirt due to their normal playing singlet being ripped or soiled with blood during the same game
- 19.2.6 Compression under garments are permitted as long as they extend below the shorts and are predominately black, skin coloured or the same colour as the shorts
- 19.2.7 Bike shorts, short fit shorts are permitted, as long as they are mid-thigh length or longer
- 19.2.8 If a player does not have their team shorts, flames training shorts or plain black shorts with a small logo are permitted
- 19.2.9 Medial exemptions must be emailed to CM for consideration
- 19.2.10 Colour clashes will see teams with reversible singlets or alternate shirts change to suit
- 19.2.11 Should both teams have reversible, Team A must change
- 19.2.12 In all other cases, bibs may be provided upon request to the Court Controller/s

19.3 Prohibited

- 19.3.1 Objects that could cut or cause abrasions (e.g equipment made of plastic, metal or any hard substance, even if covered with soft padding).
- 19.3.2 Excessive length of fingernails (nails must be cut to the fingertips, ensuring that they are not sharp enough to cut anyone).
- 19.3.3 Headgear, hats, hair accessories/ hair styles (braids/plaits are permitted. **HOWEVER**, any form of beads or beading within braids/plaits are not permitted).
- 19.3.4 Jewellery including medic bracelets if exposed. These may cause harm
- 19.3.5 Piercings may be taped, medic bracelets may be covered with a sweat band to prevent injury to others
- 19.3.6 Basketball shorts or singlets with pockets or t-shirts with sleeves
- 19.3.7 Non-approved compression undershirts or shorts that extend outside of the playing uniform
- 19.3.8 Mixed uniform singlet and shorts. Players must wear matching attire
- 19.3.9 Not wearing Club or Team singlets and shorts
- 19.3.10 For Juniors - wearing unapproved shorts (including State & WABL shorts, Rockingham Senior High School shorts, shorts with multiple logos, shorts with pockets, striped shorts).
- 19.3.11 For Seniors – wearing unapproved shorts such as board shorts, or ‘booty shorts’ (all other shorts are permitted).
- 19.3.12 Triple digit uniform numbers
- 19.3.13 Wearing the same number as another Player on our Team who has legally taken the court

19.4 Penalty for Breaching Uniform By-law

- 19.4.1 Any Player who is considered to be out of uniform without an exemption shall be penalised for the first breach with a warning
- 19.4.2 This will be documented by the Court Controllers
- 19.4.3 Any Player who breaches the above ‘2’ or more times will be prohibited from taking the court until inappropriate uniform is rectified and may be referred to the RBRA