

WESTSIDE JUNIOR COMPETITION

1. Interpretations

- 1.1. Day to day interpretation of the Westside By-Laws shall be the responsibility of the Westside Competitions Manager and the Umpire in Charge
- 1.2. Matches will be played according to the official rules authorised by the FIBA, subject to domestic rulings as per these By-Laws.
- 1.3. All general queries must be directed to the Westside Competitions Manager.

2. Definitions

- 2.1. 'Club' means one or more Teams identified by name or uniform. A Club may be a School, private entity or other group of teams that are affiliated by name or uniform.
- 2.2 Westside Junior Competition consists of:
 - Internal Teams where players are placed in Westside teams
 - External Teams may be a School, private entity or other group of teams that are affiliated by name or uniform.
- 2.3 'Team' means a maximum of 10 participating players, in any one game, which may constitute an entire club or part of the club.
- 2.4 'Members' refer to Players, Volunteers, Coaches, Spectators, Media, Officials, Administrators, Staff, Teachers and Parents.
- 2.5 A 'Competition' is defined as:
 - Westside Saturday Basketball, also known as Westside Junior Competition.
- 2.6 An 'Independent Panel' is comprised of a combination of Members of the Management of Woodville District Basketball Club, or those operating under a delegated authority from the Management of Woodville District Basketball Club.
- 2.7 'Westside Competitions Manager' is an employed staff Member of the Woodville District Basketball Club, or other person with delegated authority to act in this capacity by the Management of the Woodville District Basketball Club.
- 2.8 Basketball Connect is the official scoring application on a tablet device, used in stadiums to record the official result.
- 2.9 'Court Supervisor' means the supervising umpire at the stadium on the day of the Competition.
- 2.10 Where any Member is disqualified or banished from 'The Proximity of the Court' under any of the FIBA Rules and/or these By-Laws, they must:
 - Leave the stadium; or
 - Move to a position away from the playing court where they have no visible access to the playing court and must remain there until 5 minutes after the game has ended.

3. Registration and Team Nominations

3.1. All players must register before playing their first match. Each Competition and each team they participate in requires a separate registration. Only one Basketball SA Affiliation fee will apply in a 365 day period.

3.2 All Player and Team nomination fees must be paid when the nomination form is lodged unless separate approval is received from the Westside Competitions Manager.

4. Uniforms

4.1. All uniforms shall be approved by the Westside Competitions Manager

4.2. No Team shall alter its uniform, except with the approval of the Westside Competitions Manager.

4.3 A Player must play their match in suitable playing shorts/tracksuits and correct footwear.

4.4. Uniform shall consist of the following:

- Tops – singlets and/or shirts of predominantly the same colour (logo permitted)
- Bottoms – shorts of predominantly the same colour (logo permitted). Any combination is permitted. Full length skins or compression pants are permitted to be worn underneath approved shorts.
- Numbers – front and back (must be permitted numbering, in good legible condition). Taped or strapped numbers are not permitted.

4.5 The following permanent numbers are the only numbers permitted on player uniforms 0-99. Numbers may be of any visible colour except the colour of the top.

4.6 Approved, non-marking sports footwear must be worn.

4.7 Medic alert bracelets shall be permitted if taped or covered by a sports band.

4.8 Sharp adornments, items of jewellery (including beads in hair, metal hair clips and visible body piercings) or fingernails protruding above the tops of fingers are not permitted. Wedding rings must always be taped and remain covered or removed. Players are accepting responsibility to themselves and others for any injury that may occur and may be held liable, because of any concealed jewellery not removed.

4.9 If sports gloves are worn the Referee Coordinator must approve them before the commencement of play.

4.10 Cargo shorts and open pockets in uniforms are not permitted. Taping or strapping pockets is not acceptable, including in the first three weeks of the season.

4.11 Long hair must not obstruct numbers. If hair is tied or platted, it is not permitted to swing freely.

4.12 No match shall be delayed beyond the scheduled starting time to permit any offence to be rectified.

4.13 The referee shall have the power to prohibit any player from participating in a match where a player's uniform is not in compliance with the provisions of these By-Laws.

5. Player Eligibility

5.1 No player shall play in finals matches unless they have played at least three games under their name for that respective team and have completed the player registration for that team. Team contacts should check with the Competitions Manager, before finals, to ensure that all players are qualified.

5.2 In Junior Competitions, a player can play in different age groups if they are eligible for both age groups.

6. Timing Conditions

6.1 Games to be played in 2 x 20 minute halves with a 3 minute half time

6.2 One time out per half for each team is permitted. Time outs are for 1 minute.

6.3 The timing for the finals will be as 6.1. If the game is drawn at the end of regulation game time an additional 3 minutes will be played. No time outs are allowed during extra time. If the scores are still tied, the game continues and the team to score first score wins.

6.4 Teams are required to provide a scorer for each match. A scorer cannot be a Team Coach

6.5 Referees shall have control of the clock unless otherwise directed.

7. Injury Time, Bleeding (Blood Policy)

7.1 When bleeding occurs play must stop immediately. The player concerned must leave the court until the bleeding stops and the wound is covered. The player may not return to the court until the bleeding has stopped and any contaminated clothing has been changed. The player may then be substituted back onto the court.

7.2 The cleaning of equipment and surfaces that have been contaminated by a player's blood is the responsibility of the player and/or their Team (gloves etc. will be provided by the stadium).

7.3 All cases of stoppage in play will be controlled by the referee.

8. Referees

8.1 The referees shall have control of the game and make decisions following the official rules authorised by Basketball Australia and the league's By-Laws.

8.2 Referees may report any Member, including players, Team officials, supporters and spectators if, in their opinion, they display any form of misconduct that brings the game or the centre into disrepute.

9. Misconduct and Penalties

9.1 Westside Basketball Association is a registered Member of Basketball SA and Basketball Australia. WBA and all its members will abide by Basketball Australia's Member Protection Policy. This can be found at <https://basketballsa.com.au/policies-and-key-documents/>

9.2 All Members may be reported by any stadium official for any breach of the Code of Conduct.

9.3 If a Member continues unruly and/or offensive behaviour after having been penalised to the extent of the FIBA Rules, the referees shall report such behaviour to the Tribunal.

9.4 A Team whose players, whether they be individual players, different players on each occasion or the Team as a whole, continually breach conduct rules and/or the Woodville District Basketball Club Code of Conduct may, at the discretion of Westside Competitions Manager be withdrawn from the Competition.

9.5 If the conduct of a Member is of an unruly and/or offensive nature, the referees shall stop the game and request that the Coach and/or Court supervisor, take action to correct the behaviour.

9.6 If the Members continue unruly and/or offensive behaviour after the Coach and/or Court Supervisor have been advised as in (22.6) above, the referees shall again stop the game and request the Coach and/or Court Supervisor to arrange that the person or persons offending leave "The Proximity of the Court".

9.7 If the offending person or persons refuse to leave "The Proximity of the Court", then the game shall not continue, and the referees shall call the game off and refer the matter in writing to the Westside Competitions Manager. In this event, after reviewing the referee's report, the Westside Competitions Manager shall decide how the result shall be recorded, whether fines shall be imposed and whether the matter shall be reported to the Tribunal.

10. Protests and Complaints

10.1 Complaints arising because of any breach of the Code of Conduct shall be dealt with in the following manner:

- Referred to the Court Supervisor and/or
- Lodged in writing to Westside Competitions Manager within four working days by the Club or Team Contact

10.2 Complaints concerning discrimination and harassment have the right to complain directly to the Equal Opportunity Commission. Matters concerning child abuse will be handled as per Basketball Australia's Member Protection Policy.

10.3 Non match related complaints may be lodged at any time.

11. Equipment

11.1 Unless otherwise stated, Westside Basketball will provide match balls at each stadium.

11.2 Bibs if required will be distributed by the Westside Competition Manager.

12. Use of Cameras and Filming Equipment

12.1 Any person wanting to use a camera or other filming/recording device (including mobile phones) within the venue must first obtain the verbal permission of both match referees, the opposition Team coach and all parents/guardians of junior players, before undertaking any such activity.