

BREAKERS INDOOR SPORTS STADIUM

COMPETITION BY-LAWS - 2019

General Rules of Central Coast Basketball & Breakers Indoor Sports Stadium

- * The Competitions Manager reserves the right to adjudicate on any situation.
- * Players, Coaches and Spectators are to follow the directions of the Stadium Management.
- * Central Coast Basketball encourage the development of individual and team fundamentals and for that reason we will enforce the following:
 - In all Junior Competitions players must take the court in both halves;
 - Zone Defense will not be permitted in the junior competitions up to & including Under 14;
 - Three point baskets will not be awarded Under 7's – Under 12's Competitions;
- * Abuse will not be tolerated towards other players or officials;
- * All persons entering the Stadium will abide by the Codes of Conduct endorsed by the Stadium.

Conduct of Games

- * All games under the jurisdiction of Central Coast Basketball at Breakers Indoor Sports Stadium or any other venue shall be conducted according to the rules of the game laid down by FIBA, who are the International Governing Body for the sport of basketball except where variances are listed within the By-Laws.
- * All teams - having entered the competition and registered by paying the team nomination fee and individual registration - shall automatically pledge to pay all court fees for the competition whether the team completes the competition or withdraws before it finishes. An exception to this rule is when a team is withdrawn by Management or is given permission to withdraw due to extenuating circumstances, a withdraw fee may be charged.
- * All matches will be under the control of Central Coast Basketball, which is responsible for receiving individual player registrations, nomination forms, membership fees and court fees from all teams in all divisions. Central Coast Basketball is also responsible for compiling draws, notifying team delegates of the draw and any late changes including forfeits.

Duties and Powers of the Competitions Manager and Court Managers

- * Central Coast Basketball and Breakers Indoor Sports Stadium Management has control of all Domestic Basketball games and shall enforce the applicable FIBA/Basketball NSW policies and procedures.
- * Where the Competition By-Laws are unclear and/or silent, the Competitions Manager and Court Managers will make a decision that will be in the best interest of the sport and Central Coast Basketball.
- * The Match Committee of Central Coast Basketball & Breakers Indoor Sports Stadium reserve the right to amend, alter, add or delete items from these Rules and Regulations at whichever time it sees fit. These amendments however, cannot be made retrospective and must be produced in writing.

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Eligibility to play at Breakers Indoor Sports Stadium or any other venue hired by Central Coast Basketball

- * Teams must nominate all players on the official team nomination form.
- * All Members must be current financial members of both Central Coast Basketball and Basketball NSW. Un-financial players will not be permitted to take the court for insurance purposes and to protect the interests of all of our members in cases of litigation.
- * The Competitions Manager reserves the right to refuse admission of any team or player to any competition.
- * **Adding Players:** Players whose names are not printed on the scoresheet may only add their name with the permission of the Competitions Manager or their delegate (e.g. Court Supervisor/Cashier). Any player added to a team must be a Financial Member.
- * **Fill-In Players:** A player is permitted to fill in and play in a higher division or age group for a maximum of four (4) games per season. The player must receive permission to do so from the Competitions Manager or their delegate (as per above).
- * All players must be recorded on the score-sheet as they are legal documents (for a period of seven years) and are required to clarify eligibility for Finals.
- * All Game Fees should be paid online via our website www.bistadium.com.au or at the cashiers office, by the due date.
- * Males are only allowed to play in Mens or Boys Competitions. Females are only allowed to play in Womens or Girls Competitions, except in the following circumstances:
 - Under 8's and Under 10's and Unisex or Super League Competitions where special rules are implemented.
- * Players must be under age as of the 31st December of the year in which the Competition commences.
- * Juniors playing up an age group may play in one (1) team. In this instance the player will only be able to play up one age group from their correct division – i.e. - if their correct age group is Under 12's they will only be permitted to play up in the Under 14's.
- * Players under the age of 16 are not permitted to play in any Senior Basketball Competitions for their own welfare and safety. **Note:** NSW State Representatives are excluded from this policy, however still need to obtain approval from the Competitions Manager prior to playing.
- * Players will not be permitted to play in multiple teams in the same age group except in the following circumstances:
 - Their 2nd Team is entered as a Representative Team or a School Team;
 - In this circumstance the Team must have the School Name included as part of the Team Name and the Team must participate in the Schools Colours, e.g. CCGS Shooters.
- * A Representative Team may enter into the competition, however must play up an age group. Junior Representative teams playing in the domestic Competition do not pay a Team Nomination Fee and are not eligible for Semis or Finals.

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Representative Players

- * **Definition of a representative player:** Any player who has been selected in a representative basketball team for any Association. A player is deemed a representative player from March through until February the following year. (that is, the Winter & Summer seasons for GCBSS)
- * A Team (that contains Representative Players) playing in a competition within their own age group may have only two (2) Division One players or four (4) Division Two players in that team. Combinations of the above will be at the discretion of the Competitions Manager.
- * It is preferred for all representative players to play in a team within their own age group in junior domestic competition.

Uniforms and Dangerous Items

- * All jewellery must be removed prior to players taking the court.
- * Players with long fingernails or acrylic nails have a number of options prior to taking the court – they can be taped, they can be cut or gloves may be worn. Tape should be of a soft fabric type (not electrical tape or sticky tape).
- * Players with long hair should tie it up or back in a safe manner or as directed by the Referee or Court Supervisor. In the case of it being a Junior Player, the Referee or Court Supervisor should communicate via a Coach or Team Manager.

Team Uniforms

- * All Members of a Team shall wear singlets or tops of the same colour and design.
- * Singlets shall be numbered 0-99 in accordance with the guidelines outlined by FIBA.
- * In the event of two teams playing each other with the same coloured uniform, the team mentioned as Team B on the score-sheet will be required to wear alternate colours. Singlets/bibs can be borrowed from the Cashiers Office.
- * All Members of a Team shall wear shorts of the same colour but not necessarily the same colour as the singlets. Players will not be permitted to play in shorts with pockets, rivets, eyelets or zippers.
- * Teams must be in full Team Uniform for all Competition Matches.
- * **Players not in correct uniform will incur the following penalties:**
 - Five (5) points shall be credited to the opposition team for each member out of uniform.
 - These points shall be totaled and credited to the opposition by the court supervisor only, who shall do this as soon as possible.
- * All players are required to wear suitable non-marking shoes when playing.

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Game Fees

* All Game Fees must be paid as per guidelines enlisted on the Team Nomination Form & GCBSS Website. Game Fees are generally invoiced to teams in two blocks for a season.

* Teams which are unfinancial (i.e. have not paid their invoice in full) will not earn Competition Points whilst they remain unfinancial. **Lost points are not redeemable.**

* Teams which are unfinancial will be required to pay at least their game fee before being allowed to take the court for their game.

Membership Fees

* New Members must complete a Central Coast Basketball Membership Form (Online or at the front counter) and pay all game fees as per their team invoice, by the due date.

* Players who have paid their Basketball NSW Membership with another Association must affiliate with Central Coast Basketball.

* Teams that play known unregistered player(s) shall forfeit all match points for the matches in which the unregistered player(s) have participated.

* All BNSW Memberships expire 12 months from the date registered with the Association.

Note: If a player plays a game before registering their registration will be back-dated to that first game played

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Fines and Outstanding Fees

* All Fines and Outstanding Fees must be paid.

* If a team disbands, then each player must pay their share of the team's fines or outstanding fees before being permitted to play again.

* A player who owes GCBSS monies for domestic game fees, membership fees or outstanding fines will be deemed unfinancial and therefore ineligible to trial for any GCBSS Representative Teams, such as Central Coast Rebels or Central Coast Crusaders.

Lodging Protests and Complaints

* Any protest should be lodged in writing to the Competitions Manager within 48 hours of the alleged incident.

* Complaints should be addressed as per our Complaints Procedure enlisted on our website –

www.bistadium.com.au

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Behaviour and Conduct

All players and teams are required to conduct themselves in accordance with Central Coast Basketball's Code of Conduct, as amended from time to time.

GCBSS plays all games under FIBA Rules, hence any player receiving:

- two (2) technical fouls,
- two (2) unsportsmanlike fouls, or
- one (1) technical foul & one (1) unsportsmanlike foul

shall be disqualified from the game and be required to leave the venue immediately.

* **Sin-Bin Rule:** Any player receiving a technical foul will be automatically removed from the court for a period of five (5) minutes of playing time. The time of the technical foul shall be recorded by the scorer on the scoresheet, however failure to do so shall not negate the five minute penalty.

* A player who receives a technical foul **whilst they are on the bench** is also subject to either the five (5) minute penalty or removal from the game, however as per FIBA Rules this foul shall not count as a personal foul nor against the team foul count for the period.

Score-bench Duty

* **JUNIORS** - for each game, teams are required to provide one person for score-table.

Junior Competition teams who do not supply duty may be liable to forfeiting their game.

* **SENIORS** – teams will be placed on a roster for score-bench duty either before or after their game. It is expected that 2 people will undertake duty, one for scoreboard & one for scoresheet.

Senior Competition teams who do not supply duty will be liable for the following fines:

Duty team not in attendance	\$50.00 fine	Loss of 3 competition points
Duty team arriving late	\$25.00 fine	Loss of 1 competition point
Team refusing to perform any part of duty	\$100.00 fine	Loss of 6 competition points

Competition Points Table

TYPE OF RESULT	POINTS ALLOCATION	TYPE OF RESULT	POINTS ALLOCATION
WIN	4 points	BYE	4 points
DRAW	3 points	FORFEIT	0 points
LOSS	2 points		

- **Note:** Points may also be lost for duty penalties (see above)
- **Note:** Points may also be lost for playing unregistered/unfinancial players.
- Semi-final positions are decided by the Competition Points at the end of regular season.
 - o If two (2) teams are on equal points the results of who won when they played each other will determine who finishes higher on the table;
 - o If still equal the points differential in the games played between each other will determine who finishes higher on the table;
 - o If still equal the percentage points based on all games played.

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Timing Rules for all Domestic Games

AGE GROUP	TIMING (*)	INTERVAL	TIME-OUTS (*)	FOULS (*)
U7's & U8's	10 minutes	2 minutes	N/A	N/A
U9's & U10's	18 minutes	2 minutes	1 x per team	7
U11's & U12's	18 minutes	2 minutes	1 x per team	7
U13's & U14's	18 minutes	2 minutes	1 x per team	7
U15's & U16's	20 minutes	2 minutes	1 x per team	7
U17's & U18's	20 minutes	2 minutes	1 x per team	7
Senior Comps	20 minutes	2 minutes	1 x per team	7

JUNIOR COMPETITIONS

- 1 x Time Out per team each half, the Clock **does not** stop.
- No Time Outs will be permitted during the last 3 minutes of each half.

SENIOR COMPETITIONS

- 1 x Time Out per team each half, the Clock **does** stop for the Time Out.
- The last minute of the game is **fully timed if the scores are within 10 points or less**.
- During this period, the clock stops for all made baskets and whistles.
- Teams may substitute when the opposing team scores.

* Teams must be ready to start matches on time.

* If a team is late, the Referee is to start the game clock and the late team will be penalised two (2) points per minute up until 10 minutes, whereby the game will be classified as forfeit. The Court Supervisor will allocate the points to the appropriate team.

Timing Rules for Finals Games

- 2 x Time Outs per team per half, **clock stops for all Time-Outs**.
- Last 3 minutes of the 2nd half is Fully Timed regardless of the score.
- Over-time is 3 minutes Fully-Timed if required.

Note: Fully Timed means the game clock stops for every whistle and every made basket in the last 2 minutes of the 2nd half. The game clock restarts as soon as the ball touches a player within the court (on the drop of the Referees hand).

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Finals Matches

* At the end of the regular season the following Finals Format will take place:

- 1st Place v 4th Place;
- 2nd Place v 3rd Place;
- The Winners will advance to the Grand Final;

* In the case of where there are only Three (3) Teams – 2nd Place v 3rd Place, with the winner to advance to play 1st Place in the Final.

* Matches will only be re-scheduled if the game can be played that week on the Friday, and under agreement from the opposing team.

N.B. Grand Final matches will not be re-scheduled for the following Competition.

Eligibility for Finals

* To be eligible to play in Finals a player must have played in 40% of the round games (including grading games and byes). Teams winning by a notified forfeit will have all nominated players credited as having played the match concerned.

* Eligibility for a player is counted from the date of payment of registration.

* Teams must have a minimum of 4 players to start a Semi-Final or Grand Final match.

* Fill-in players are **not** allowed for Semi-Finals or Grand Finals.

* In order to be eligible for a Final, the Team and Players must be under no Financial Obligation to Central Coast Basketball & Sports Stadium.

Forfeits

Definition: Where a team does not provide enough players to take the court for a scheduled game.

* Teams are permitted to take the court with four (4) players. A minimum of three (3) players must be from their original nomination form.

* Fill-in players from a lower grade or age group (must be within one age group) may be used to bring the team up to five (5) players. Fill-in players cannot be used if the team already have five (5) or more players.

* Players cannot fill-in for a Team in the same grade unless it is the lowest grade on the night of competition.

Penalty: All forfeits regardless of the notice given will result in the team forfeiting paying game fees for both teams. Teams may be disqualified from the Competition after two forfeits.

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Injured Players

* In the event of an injury, the Referee will use his/her discretion as to when to stop the game clock. Coaches, Spectators and other players are not allowed to enter onto the court until advised by the Referee.

* After the game, an Injury Report Form needs to be completed immediately and a copy of the Score-sheet needs to be attached and given to the Cashier or Court Supervisor.

Competition Days

DAY OF COMPETITION	COMPETITION DESCRIPTION
MONDAY	U15-U16 Boys and Girls
N.B. Excess Games played on Fridays	U17-U18/U20 Boys and Girls
TUESDAY	Senior Women
N.B. Excess Games played on Fridays	U13-U14 Boys and Girls
WEDNESDAY	Ladies Day-Time Basketball
N.B. Excess Games played on Fridays	U7-U8 Boys and Girls
	U9-U10 Boys and Girls
	Night-Time Netball
THURSDAY	Senior Men
N.B. Excess Games played on Fridays	U11-U12 Boys and Girls
FRIDAY	Junior (Left-over Games)
SUNDAY	Unisex
	Volleyball