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BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION



WINTER SEASON INFO PACK

2023

This document will include all information needed for the upcoming winter domestic season.

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SEASON DATES

Competition dates for the new Winter Season will be Wednesday April 26th to Sunday September 17th.

Exemption rounds include.

- Monarchs Birthday June 10th to 12th
- School Holidays June 26th to July 9th

SEASON CALENDAR

	Wednesday	Thursday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
Grading Rd 1	26-Apr	27-Apr	29-Apr	30-Apr	1-May	2-May
Grading Rd 2	3-May	4-May	6-May	7-May	8-May	9-May
Grading Rd 3	10-May	11-May	13-May	14-May	15-May	16-May
Regular Wk1	17-May	18-May	20-May	21-May	22-May	23-May
Regular Wk2	24-May	25-May	27-May	28-May	29-May	30-May
Regular Wk3	31-May	1-Jun	3-Jun	4-Jun	5-Jun	6-Jun
Regular Wk4	7-Jun	8-Jun	Monarchs Birthday			13-Jun
Regular Wk5	14-Jun	15-Jun	17-Jun	18-Jun	19-Jun	20-Jun
Regular Wk6	21-Jun	22-Jun	24-Jun	25-Jun		
Regular Wk7	28- Jun					
Regular Wk8	5 - Jul				10-Jul	11-Jul
Regular Wk9	12-Jul	13-Jul	15-Jul	16-Jul	17-Jul	18-Jul
Regular Wk10	19-Jul	20-Jul	22-Jul	23-Jul	24-Jul	25-Jul
Regular Wk11	26-Jul	27-Jul	29-Jul	30-Jul	31-Jul	1-Aug
Regular Wk12	2-Aug	3-Aug	5-Aug	6-Aug	7-Aug	8-Aug
Regular Wk13	9-Aug	10-Aug	12-Aug	13-Aug	14-Aug	15-Aug
Regular Wk14	16-Aug	17-Aug	19-Aug	20-Aug	21-Aug	22-Aug
Regular Wk15	23-Aug	24-Aug	26-Aug	27-Aug	28-Aug	29-Aug
Finals wk1	30-Aug	31-Aug	2-Sep	3-Sep	4-Sep	5-Sep
Finals wk1/2	6-Sep	7-Sep	9-Sep	10-Sep	11-Sep	12-Sep
Finals wk 2	13-Sep	14-Sep	16-Sep	17-Sep		

AGE GROUPS

- Underage competitions the player must be under the age, as of December 31st of the year in which the season commences.
- Open age competitions players must be over 16 years of age as of December 31st of the year in which the season commences.

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- For U/8's competitions players must be turning 6 during the season in which they have registered to.
- Any player may be called upon by the Association to supply proof of age and identity.

Age Group	Year of Birth	Classification
U8's	2017	Bottom
	2016	Top
U10's	2015	Bottom
	2014	Top
U12's	2013	Bottom
	2012	Top
U14's	2011	Bottom
	2010	Top
U16's	2009	Bottom
	2008	Top
U18's	2007	Bottom
	2006	Top

PLAYER MOVEMENT

Subject to compliance with the rest of Rule 5 in our competition rules; a player may play up a grade (B Grade can play A Grade but not the reverse) within their age group. A player can play in a higher grade no more than three games before they are classified as a permanent player within the higher graded team. Exemption to this is if a player is registered in 2 teams in the same age group who grade in separate divisions. A minimum of 2 grading games must be played for each team. Competition management will not fulfil any requests to ensure both teams are scheduled at different times.

Players who want to play in two age groups, The following provisions apply to players who play in more than one age group:

- A player may play in an older age group than their normal age group.
- A player can play in a lower age group if eligible to for no more than three games. Exemption to this is if a player is registered in 2 age groups, a minimum of 2 grading games must be played for each team and notification of registration is made with WPBA Administration. Competition management will not fulfil any requests to ensure both teams are scheduled at different times.

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REGISTRATION COSTS

There is a junior registration fee of \$32 and \$42 for seniors, in addition to this fee is Basketball Victoria license.

Basketball Victoria charges the following fees to help cover the costs of managing the sport, which includes the providing of services and insurance to participants, clubs and associations. These fees are built into PlayHQ club or association registration forms and are inclusive of GST and transaction fees but does not include fees that may be charged by your club or association.

Basketball Victoria Annual Participant License for players (per 365-days)

This is a statewide participation license that applies to domestic, tournament and junior representative player registrations and is charged when the player doesn't already have a license that covers them for the entirety of the season they're registering to.

2023 (as of January 1, 2023)

- **\$29 – Junior (17 and under) playing participant**
- **\$43 – Senior (18 and over) playing participant**

MATCH FEES

Due to rising costs incurred over the past 12-18 months WPBA have reviewed its game fee costs and will make the below changes for the new Winter Season beginning April 26th.

With a 3.5% rise in court costs since the beginning of the 22/23 FY along with, 6.5% rise in referee payment per match as per annual rises from basketball Victoria we've been required to review and implement the following changes to our match fees.

Weekday competitions including Sunday Mixed but excluding Mid-Week ladies: \$72.

Saturday Under 10's and 12's & Mid-Week Ladies: \$66

Saturday U8's: \$60

PLAYER ELIGIBILITY

For Finals To be eligible to play in the Finals, all players will need to meet the following criteria:

- Have registered under the team and/or Club.
- Shall have played with the team in question a minimum of 60% of games fixtured (including Grading games) for that team rounded up to the next whole number of games.
- Any player, who, through injury or other considered just cause, has not been able to play the required number of rounds to qualify for the Finals, may apply to WPBA Administration for consideration. Such application to be made in writing with a medical certificate or other appropriate documentation where applicable, at least seven days prior to the date of the final's series commencement.

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U/8'S TO U/12'S MODIFIED COMPETITIONS RULES

Junior Competitions conducted by WPBA shall include Under 8 Mixed and Under 10 age groups. The U/8

Mixed Competition will not include finals.

Permitted Defensive Area Behind: Under 8's red line (netball third), Under 10's Behind Half Court and Under 12's Full Court

Max. Points per Player: U/8's - 10 U/10's - 14 U/12's - 20

Ring Height: U/8's - 8ft U/10's - 8ft (Girls & C grade & Below) & 10ft U/12's - 10ft

NO ZONE POLICY

Man to man will be the only permitted defense allowed in all U/14 competitions. Details of WPBA No Zone Policy can be found by clicking [here](#) or on our website.