

KINGSWAY INDOOR STADIUM
MENS BASKETBALL RULES SHEET

Effective 01st June 2023

Unless otherwise stated below, all rules are consistent with the current "FIBA (International Basketball Federation)". Where stadium house rules or by-laws conflict with the aforementioned document, stadium rules or by-laws take precedence.

1.0: TEAM RESPONSIBILITIES

- 1.1 Substitutes are permitted at a maximum of 4.
- 1.3 It is the duty of each team to provide a scorer for the score bench. This will ensure that the score is an accurate and true reflection of the game and will provide two witnesses shall any disputes arise.
- 1.4 Teams are permitted to use fill-in players from the same division but not a higher division if they do not have 5 players.
- 1.5 It is the responsibility of the captain to register the players and pay for your team prior to the commencement of the match.
- 1.6 All team captains are responsible for the conduct of their team members.
- 1.7 If a team has less than the required minimum of 3 players, they will give away 2 points per minute until another player arrives or the match is forfeited (5 minutes maximum).
- 1.8 A team is not allowed to continue if their team is reduced to 2 players (forfeit).

2.0: TEAM REGISTRATION AND FEES

- 2.1 Please refer to section 2 & 3 in the stadium by-laws.

3.0: FORFEITS:

- 3.1: If your team forfeits a match, please ensure you advise the centre as early as possible via phone. Your team will be issued with the appropriate forfeit fee according to the amount of notice given.
 - o Between 24 hours' and 7 days' notice – 1x Game Fee
 - o < 24 hours' notice – 2x Game Fee.
- 3.2: On occasion, teams have elected not to attend a scheduled match without notifying the centre. This is considered highly disrespectful to the opposition that has made the effort to attend the game. A simple phone call will avoid this.

4.0: UNIFORM

- 4.1 All players must wear the same coloured top consisting of numbers 00-99 front and back.
- 4.2 Players may wear long pants provided they do not have a zipper or belt.
- 4.3 All players must remove objects such as watches or jewelry that may be dangerous to other players. The Umpire has sole discretion on what is considered dangerous.
- 4.4 Failure to have all players in the same coloured top by Week 3 of the season will result in a 4-point penalty applied to the team for each player without the correct coloured top.
- 4.5 Players are not permitted to wear the same number as a teammate. Teams who do so will be penalised accordingly. (2 points per player)
- 4.6 In the event of a uniform clash, the team mentioned "AWAY" shall wear bibs provided by umpires.

5.0: LENGTH OF GAMES

- 5.1 A total of 40 minutes will be played with two 20-minute halves, 2-minute warm-up period and 2-minute halftime.
- 5.2 3 points are awarded for a win, 1 point for a draw and 0 points for a loss.
- 5.3 During a stoppage in play the clock will continue to run.

6.0: FINALS

- 6.1 Should the scores remain drawn at the end of a finals match, one 5-minute period of extra time is played.
- 6.2 If scores are still identical, each team will receive a best-of-5 penalty shootout at the free throw line.
- 6.3 A winner is determined when a team finishes the period or a 5-penalty shootout with the lead.
- 6.4 Teams may not borrow players in semifinals or finals, otherwise penalties apply as per the by-laws.
- 6.5 All players participating in a finals match must have played at least 3 fixtured games for their respective team to be eligible.

7.0: METHODS OF SCORING

- 7.1 Points can be scored from anywhere within the playing area.
- 7.2 If a shot is successfully scored from outside of the three-point line, three points are awarded.
- 7.3 If a shot is successfully scored from inside of the three-point line, two points are awarded.
- 7.4 If a team is awarded a technical foul, then they will receive between one and three free throws.
- 7.5 If the player misses the shot during the foul, the player receives either two or three free throws depending on whether the shot was taken in front of or behind the three-point line.
- 7.6 If, despite the foul, the player still makes the attempted shot, the number of free throws is reduced to one.
- 7.7 When a free throw is awarded it must be taken behind the free-throw line.

8.0: SUBSTITUTES

- 8.1 A substitute player will only be able to enter the court of play during a stoppage in play, i.e after the referee's whistle has been blown. This player may only enter from the team bench once the other player has left the court of play.
- 8.2 Substitutions are permitted by either team when the whistle is blown to stop the game or after the last free throw when the ball becomes dead. After a basket is scored in the last 2 minutes of the last period (or any extra period) only the non-scoring team may initiate a substitution. The other team may then substitute.
- 8.3 In the event that a player leaves the playing court while the ball is in play, play will continue until the next stoppage of play and the player will be replaced if he is not ready to return.
- 8.4 A substitute shall not replace a free throw shooter, or a player involved in a jump ball unless dictated to do so by an injury or ejection.
- 8.5 Seriously injured players must be removed, and the opponent is permitted one substitution.

9.0 FOULS

- 9.1 No illegal physical contact is permitted. A personal foul includes but is not limited to hitting, pushing, slapping, holding, or an illegal pick/screen – when an offensive player sticks out a limb and makes physical contact with a defender in an attempt to block the path of the defender.
- 9.2 Illegal physical contact whilst the opponent is shooting will result in free throws.
- 9.3 If fouled whilst not shooting, the ball is given to the team the foul was committed upon. They take the ball at the nearest side or baseline, out of bounds, and have five seconds to pass the ball onto the court.
- 9.4 An offensive foul that is committed when a player pushes or runs over a defensive player while in control of a live ball. The ball is given to the team that the foul was committed upon. The no charge semi-circle is not in effect.
- 9.5 Illegal personal contact (BLOCKING) resulting from a defender being out of his cylinder and not establishing position in time to prevent an opponent's movement.
- 9.6 Unsportsmanlike fouls are not permitted and can be described as violent contact towards an opponent. This includes but is not limited to hitting, kicking, punching, and any form of contact that is from the side or behind a defender to stop a fast break regardless of if they are the last defender. This type of foul results in two free throws plus the offense retaining possession of the ball after the free throws.
- 9.7 A Technical foul can go to a player or any bench personnel and is about the 'manners' of the game. Foul language, obscenity, obscene gestures, and even arguing can be considered a technical foul, as can technical details regarding filling in the scoresheet improperly. This type of foul results in one free throw plus the offense retaining possession of the ball after the free throw. For a full list of reasons why a technical foul can be used check the FIBA rules and FIBA interpretations.
- 9.8 If a defensive team exceeds 5+ fouls, the offensive team will receive a bonus each time they are fouled.

9.9 The referee may take further action depending on the severity of the foul.

10.0 DISCIPLINARY ACTION

Penalties will be enforced as rough play; threatening language and poor behaviour have no place and will not be tolerated. Under no circumstances are players allowed to play under the influence of alcohol or consume alcohol within the stadium.

10.1 Team captains will be informed of players who receive two technical fouls. Repeat offenders may have their suspensions doubled from the previous time or have the prescribed penalty doubled if a different incident has occurred involving the same player.

10.2 Following misconduct by a player or substitute, the following action may be taken:

1 TECHNICAL FOUL (ONE FREE THROW FOR THE OPPOSITION) A technical card may be awarded for the following.

- ▣ Unsporting Behaviour
- ▣ Dissent by Word or Action (This includes swearing)
- ▣ Persistently infringing the rules
- ▣ Deliberate time wasting (throwing the ball away)
- ▣ Any other action that the Umpire believes contravenes the spirit of the game

10.3 **2 TECHNICAL FOUL (PLAYER REMOVED FROM THE GAME WITHOUT REPLACEMENT)**. A 2nd technical card may be awarded for the following.

- ▣ Serious Foul Play
- ▣ Violent Conduct
- ▣ Spitting
- ▣ Foul, Abusive or Insulting Language or Gestures

10.4 2 Technical fouls will result in an Automatic One Game suspension. Depending on the nature of the send-off, a further suspension may be imposed by management and will be communicated with the Team Contact.

Any playing member or spectator acting in an inappropriate manner or appear under the influence of Drugs and/or Alcohol may be removed from the Stadium by the Team Leader, Sports and Programs Officer or Duty Officer. Failure to follow instruction will lead to the Police being called.

**Management reserves the right to amend competition rules when deemed appropriate. This may be undertaken at any point throughout the season. Teams will be notified of any rule changes throughout the season and should always refer to the latest competition rules.*

**Management reserves the right to evict teams and individuals from the competition and stadium if any of the aforementioned rules are breached. Teams may also be stripped of team points where management deems fit. Stadium management updated these rules on 15/06/23.*

USE OF RECORDING EQUIPMENT

Please note that Kingsway Indoor Stadium does not permit the filming of games for either personal or public use, without prior expressed written consent from stadium management, the match referee, and the opposing team captain. All three parties must provide such consent for filming approval. Only under exceptional circumstances will such permission be granted, and the stadium reserves the right to revoke such permission at any time.

We wish you and your team good luck, and hope you have an enjoyable season.