



BASIC BBA BYLAW RULES FOR BEGINNERS

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1. All players must be registered with Basketball Victoria (BV) and their club/team.
2. Read and understand the BBA By-Laws.
3. Understand that there are BV Codes of Conduct that Players, Coaches, Parents and spectators are asked to abide by.

These can be viewed here.

4. Players should all be in uniform; there are 5-point penalties for individual players out of uniform, which is added to your opponent's score at halftime by the referees.
5. Club players from a higher division, that is after playing 5 games in the higher division, are not eligible to play in a lower division. The penalty is the loss of competition points.
6. Club players from a lower division can play in a higher division for a maximum of 4 games in any one team, after playing 5 higher division games in the same team they shall remain in the higher division.
7. To be eligible to play finals a player must play 6 games in the same team.
8. Be aware of the basic rules of the game: e.g know that all junior teams; U10; U12 & U14 Divisions must play Man to Man Defence, Zone Defence is not permitted until U16 age groups.
9. The Mercy Rule is implemented once a team has a margin of 20 points or greater. The leading team must defend from behind the defensive third line/netball line.
10. Under 10 teams must always defend from behind the defensive third line.
11. Competition points will be allotted as follows;
3 points – Win, 3 points – Bye, 2 points – Draw, 1 point – Loss,
0 points – Walkover or Forfeit, 2 points – Match Cancellation
12. When the court temperature reaches 35 degrees, game times will be altered by reducing each half by 2 minutes. The Referee must call a compulsory time out as close as possible to the half-way point of each half and the clock will be stopped.
13. Each team MUST supply a competent scorer (12 years of age or older) before their scheduled start time of the game