

# **Warragul & District Amateur Basketball Association (WDABA)**

## **Senior Domestic Playing Conditions**



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## **Venue Entry Fees:**

Team sheets are the only fees for each venue and are \$42 per team payable on the night of the game to the court supervisor. GST inclusive.

Non payment of the team sheet fee will result in a forfeit.

## **Forfeit Policy and Fees :**

- 7 days clear notice will incur NO fine.
- 48 hours notice will incur a ne of costs for the team sheet entry @ \$76.00
- 24 hours notice will incur a ne of costs for door entry plus refs @ \$116.00

All monies to be paid on the following weeks team sheet. If not, team will forfeit points for that game and the following week will see your debt handed over to debt collectors. All forfeits emailed to : warragulbasketball@dcsi.net.au (time of email will be taken as time of notification)

## **Scoring Duties:**

Each scoring team must supply a competent scorer for each game (12 years and older). Failure to supply a competent scorer for your team may result in a 10 point penalty.

## **Uniforms:**

All players will be in correct uniform by round 3 with matching tops. Shorts with pockets are not acceptable. All shorts must be the same colour, no T-Shirts to be worn under uniforms. All numbers must be approved numbers for basketball teams, 1-100. No hand drawn numbers permitted on tops. Any new teams must get approval for team colours.

Penalties of 6 points per incorrect item of uniform will apply after the second round.

## **Sin Bin Policy:**

Any player, coach or team official who incurs a Technical Foul as a result of verbal abuse towards an official or who disputes a decision of a Referee, will be sent to the Sin-Bin for a period of five (5) minutes playing time (Sin Bin). The five minutes does not include the break between quarters or halves.

For players that incur a first technical foul they may sit on the team bench.

For a coach or team official that incur a first technical foul they must remove themselves from the team bench at least 25 metres away and cannot communicate with the team during this period.

A second Technical Foul for a similar offence will lead to the player, coaching staff or team official being ejected from the game and subject to possible Tribunal action.

Note game Referees are required to;

- I. Instantly penalise any obvious form of dissent, such as disputing calls, critical comments towards Referees or their calls and bad language with a Technical Foul.
- II. A second similar offence results in the player being disqualified from the game. (A 'similar' offence involves more criticism. Dissent etc. resulting in a second Technical Foul).

Where a referee does not see or hear an incident but it is observed by the Referees Supervisor(s) on duty, they may notify the Referee of the indiscretion and the referee may then be obliged to enact the Sin Bin rule.

The player, coach or team official who is sent to the Sin-Bin is allowed to be substituted.

~~1 x tech foul : 5 mins on the bench~~

~~2 x tech foul : Person must leave the court, but can remain in the foyer 3 minutes allowance to leave the court or your team will incur a forfeit.~~

### **Fill in Players:**

Fill in players can be used to make up the fifth player but must be registered with the WDABA and can be sourced from any grade other than your own and from above grades filling in. A maximum of 5 games permitted for each fill in player.

### **Finals Qualifications:**

To be eligible for finals, a player must have played the equivalent of half games in the season plus one.

### **Age Limits:**

Players must have a minimum age of 14 years. **Prior to the start of the season**

### **Game times:**

Games to start on time and will incur 1 point deducted for each minute late.

### **Grading:**

The association has three weeks to change teams into the appropriate grades.

### **Game times & Venues:**

Monday nights from 6.20pm at Warragul Leisure Centre (Burke Street Warragul), St Pauls Anglican Grammar Warragul (150 Bowen Street, Warragul) and Bunyip Stadium Bunyip.

### **Timing Rules:**

- 2 minute warm up time
  - 20 minute halves
  - 2 time outs per half
- No time outs in the last 2 minutes of the first half, 2 minute half time breaks  
Clock stops on all whistles in the last minute of the game, if score is less than 5 points difference  
No time outs in the last 3 minutes of the second half, unless whistle stops the clock.

### **Protests and Complaints**

All protests and complaints about any matter relating to the WDABA domestic competition must be emailed to the Association Secretary within 72 hours of the incident. Forms are located at the venues and available on the website. Any member of the Committee of Management who is connected in any way with either team shall not take part in the proceedings.

### **Policies**

#### **1. Extreme Heat Policy**

When the court temperature reaches 35C, must implement the following timing rules:

- I. Based on a 40 minute schedule played in halves, the game time must be reduced by 2 minutes per half with 2 team time outs per half.
- II. The clock must stop for each timeout and the referee must call an additional compulsory timeout close to the half way mark in each half. Each team must call a timeout before the compulsory timeout and after the compulsory timeout.
- III. If a game is played in quarters, the referee must call an additional compulsory timeout in each quarter if no timeout has been called by half way through the quarter.
- IV. The clock must stop for every whistle in the last minute of the first half and the last 3 minutes of the second half (this may be modified for local conditions in domestic basketball).

When the court temperature reaches 40C games must be abandoned. Subject to any rule or ruling by a competition organiser:

- I. if a game is abandoned before it commences or before or at half time it is counted as a draw;
- II. if a game is abandoned after half time, the game score stands as a final result.

## 2. Blood Rule

- Any player who is bleeding will be substituted immediately.
- If the referee does not notice that a player is bleeding, then the scorers shall sound the horn and notify the referee immediately.
- Player clothing is to be free of blood before taking the court again.

## 3. Photo Policy

The following policy has been adopted by Basketball Victoria and operates across all associations and Leagues in Victoria.

*Basketball Victoria recognises that there are many legitimate reasons why still and video photography at sports is very common and does not wish to unnecessarily restrict or curb that photography.*

*It is perfectly normal and acceptable for parents to want to film their children's sports to keep as a memento of their growing up. This is becoming increasingly so with the technology being widely owned.*

*It is also becoming increasingly popular for coaches to video their teams' games to assist them in training. Less common, but also becoming more so, is for the purposes of scouting another team that will be playing the videoing team shortly. Videos can also assist in referee training. Having a video record of a game is also useful if there is a reportable incident during the game. The video can be used in evidence. At more senior levels, the competition organisers have made it compulsory for games to be taped for precisely this reason. In addition, the knowledge that a game is being taped may act as a deterrent to bad behaviour because players will know they may be captured on tape, even if a referee does not see the misdeed. So there is a safety angle to the issue as well.*

*On the other hand, photographs and videos can also be used for nefarious purposes. Basketball Victoria is concerned to ensure that it and its affiliated associations take reasonable steps to ascertain that photographic depiction of basketball activities is being used for legitimate and harmless purposes.*

*This means that competition organisers have to be ever vigilant in protecting participants, particularly children.*

*Accordingly, the following policy will apply until further notice:*

- Associations and leagues should usually allow parents and close relatives to take photographs and video tape games or training provided the parent or relative is known to the association.*
- As a courtesy, the coach or manager of the opposition team should also be notified of the intention to photograph or video the game.*
- Coaches who wish to video their own team's games or training for training purposes should also normally be allowed to do so. Again, the opposition should be informed. Parents of the coach's own team should be advised by the coach if it is intended to regularly video games or training and the reason for it.*
- Referee coaches wishing to video games for training or evaluation purposes should advise the teams of their intentions prior to the game.*