BASKETBALL SACSSGSA RULES

Basketball is conducted under the rules of the Federated International Basketball Association (F.I.B.A.) unless otherwise stated.

1. TEAMS
   a) Maximum of 12 players per team.
   b) Each team should consist of 5 players on the court at one time.
   c) A team must have 4 players to take the court and start a game or else a forfeit loss results and a scratch match should be played. If a 5th player does not arrive for the game that is fine as long as there is four players present to start the game.
   d) Teams must supply their own basic first aid kit; however a backup kit will be available from the venue coordinator if required.

2. PLAYER ELIGIBILITY
   a) Players are only eligible to play one game per day, unless approval is given by the Executive Officer prior to the game and both teams have been notified.
   b) A player is able to be bought up from a lower grade to fill in for a team that does not have enough players to take the court, however this player must not play another game for the day unless approval has been given by the Executive Officer.
   c) A player is not allow to be bought down from a higher grade to fill in for a team that does not have enough players to take the court unless approval has been given by the Executive Officer and both teams have been notified.

3. REFEREES
   a) Referees to be supplied at each venue by the host school or the SACSSGSA.
   b) All grades, besides C grade will have 2 Referees where possible.
   c) Referees must be suitably qualified and have previous experience refereeing games.

4. MATCHES
   a) 4 x 10 minute quarters
   b) 1 minute break at quarter and three quarter time, and 2minute break at half time.
   c) The clock shall stop as follows:
      Senior A-
      • Time Outs.
• In the case of serious injury, the Referee may direct the clock to be stopped.
• The last 3 minutes of the last quarter shall be played under Championship conditions. I.e. the clock stops for every whistle blast.
• The last three minutes being fully timed can be waived by agreement between coaches.
• There are no 8 second or 24 second rules in place (see official rules)

All other Grades-
• The clock does not stop during the games.
• No time outs are allowed during the last three minutes of the last quarter.
• No time (other than normal substitution time) is allowed for a five foul substitution.
• In the case of serious injury, the Referee may direct the clock to be stopped.
• The referee may also direct the clock to be stopped at any other time if he/she considers this necessary.
• There are no 8 second or 24 second rules in place (see official rules)

5. SACSSGSA RULES

a) Full Court Defence (All Grades except Senior A):
   • Full court defence is not allowed by team winning by more than 20 points.
   • If one team is more than 20 points up then the venue coordinator is to request that there is only a half-court defence.
   • Coaches are asked to restrict their defence to the three point line to allow the other team to get the ball at least over half way.

b) Mercy Rule (All Grades except Senior A):
   • When a team is being beaten by more than 20 points the referee must use the mercy rule and restrict individual players from scoring more than 20 points in a game. The winning team must also not defend outside their defensive three point line.

6. SCORING

a) Each team is to provide a scorer and the score sheets will be provided by the venue coordinator. The home teams scorer will fill out the official score card, the away team scorer will use the electronic score board, unless agreed to swap with one another.

b) They must sit together and scores checked regularly as well as at EACH quarter with the referee.

7. UNIFORM

a) Correct school sports uniform is to be worn by ALL team members.
b) Each player must wear numbers sewn on front and back of their playing top or they may wear numbered bibs.

c) Penalty for non-compliance of uniform is 2 points per player out of uniform to be added to oppositions score at half time, not the conclusion of the match.

d) Tracksuit pants cannot be worn, unless arranged with the Executive Officer prior to the match.

8. VENUE COORDINATOR

a) Supply timer for each game.

b) Supply score sheets for each game.

c) Unlock and lock gymnasium.

d) Ensure smooth running of competition (copy of rules must be available at venue)

e) Provide back-up First Aid Kit.

f) Ensure that Blood Policy is brought to the attention of Coaches and Umpires and that it is strictly adhered to.

9. RESULTS

a) Host venues are responsible for submitting results to the Executive Officer by 3pm, Monday of the following week.

b) SACSSGSA- Email: laura.gilbert@cesa.catholic.edu.au

10. FORFEITS

a) The forfeiting school is responsible for contacting the opposition school with regard to a forfeit by 12.00 noon on the Friday of that week as well as contacting the Venue Coordinator and SACSSGSA.

b) Failure to notify opposition will incur a $50.00 forfeit fine.

c) Forfeit score is 20-0 and no premiership points will be awarded to the forfeiting team.

11. POINTS ALLOCATION

a) 3 points for a win

b) 2 points for a draw

c) 1 point for a loss

d) 3 points for a forfeit win (Score to be 20-0)

e) 0 points for a forfeit loss (Score to be 0-20)

12. PLAY OFF

a) Semi Finals will be determined by the premiership table at the conclusion of all rounds.

b) Please refer to the “Finals Draw” sheet to determine how matches are allocated.
c) If there is a genuine situation of injury before a play off, a team must get approval from the Executive Officer to bring up a player from another team.

d) Notification to be received by the Executive Officer, Ph 08 8301 6879 or email laura.gilbert@cesa.catholic.edu.au at least 3 days before play off if there is a dispute in the premiership table.

e) If in the playoff round for 1st V 2nd the game is a draw at the end of official time then extra time, of 5 minutes only will be allocated to gain a clear result.

f) No matches in the playoff rounds are to be rescheduled. A $60.00 fine will apply and a letter to both school principals must be written explaining the reasons, unless there are extenuating circumstances.

g) All games must be played at their allocated venues.

h) In Term 4 there are no Play Off rounds and final placing will be determined on the Premiership Tables.