



## **BWC 3 on 3 Basketball League**

**RULES: The spirit of competing honorably is essential**

### **1. Teams**

Teams are comprised of up to five registered players; three players versus three players on a half court with two substitutes for each team. In mixed teams, there must be 2 girls registered on team list and one girl must be on the court for the whole time of the game. Failure to do so will result in a default by team even if there is injury.

### **2. Determining who gets the ball to commence the game**

One designated player from each team shoots a 3 pt field goal. If the designated player from Team A misses the attempt and the designated player from Team B makes the attempt, Team B starts with the ball. If both shooters miss, Team A begins with the ball. The ball must be passed in from anywhere behind the 3 pt line, after that unlimited dribbling.

### **3. Timing**

Games are ten (10) minutes running time. When two games are played simultaneously on one full court, both games start at the same time. 2 x 5 minute halves. 1 minute half time. NO time outs.

#### **3.a Shot clock**

There is only 12 seconds to shot the ball once it has been cleared from basket made or from steal once team gains possession. This is a quick fast, high intensity game. The referee will be counting down the last 5 seconds of shot clock.

#### **3.b Warm-up**

Teams are allowed a strict three (3) minute warm-up.

### **4. Scoring**

All field goals are worth their normal points. A foul shot is worth one (1) point. A three point shot is worth three points. Unlike a normal basketball game, once a basket is made, the opposition team must clear the ball pass the three point line and make a pass to another person before allowed to score. There is no need to inbound the ball once it has been scored.

It's the first team to 33 points or when the game time runs out.

A defensive rebound must be cleared to the 3 pt line by the pass or dribble. If cleared by the dribble, one foot must get outside the 3 pt line then that player must pass the ball to a live player before allowed to score. Otherwise a violation will be called and possession will be given to other team.

#### **4.b Scorers**

Teams are responsible for providing a scorer. A substitute from either team can perform the role of scorer.

## **5. The Arbitrator/Referee**

One Arbitrator/Referee is assigned for two half courts. The responsibilities of the Arbitrator are to:

- a. Ensure scores are accurate
- b. Ensure the dispute resolution is carried out expediently
- c. Team sheet (not a score sheet) is provided by each team to the Arbitrator/Referee before the clock starts. If a team fails to produce the team sheet before the clock starts that team loses 2 points from the final score.
- d. Deliver the score sheet with the final score to the Competition Coordinator via the staff on the door.

## **6. Substitutions**

Either team can substitute after a foul/violation, before the ball is passed in.

Either team can substitute if a player fouls out.

If a team does not have a substitute, they can continue the game with up to two players.

## **7. Fouls**

The defending team calls the fouls. However, if the offense believes they have been fouled and the defender believes this not to be the case, the issue is resolved by a 3pt shot by the offensive player who questioned the call. If the shot is made the foul call stands, if the shot is missed - no foul and the defense gains possession.

A player is allowed five (5) personal fouls. After five (5) personal fouls that player is disqualified from the game. Each team has 4 team fouls to give before opposition team will shoot free throws on the 5<sup>th</sup> and subsequent fouls. Two free throw as per normal FIBA rules.

Free-throws are shot in 3 on 3. If an offensive player is fouled in the act of shooting – the offensive player shoots two foul shot.

All inbounds after a foul or violation is thrown in on the sideline free throw line extended.

## **8. Violations**

All FIBA rules relating to violations are applied to 3 on 3 half court. The same resolution process applies to disputed violations as per fouls.

## **9. Determining the winner of the game – Shoot out!**

The winner of the game will be the team with the most amount of points when the game time runs out.

In the event of a tied game, a “Sudden-Death 3 pt shoot-out” will take place. A player from Team A will shoot, if they miss and Team B scores, Team B is declared the winner.

If Team A scores and Team B misses, Team A is declared the winner. If both Teams hit their 3 pt shot, another shooter from each team will take their shot until a winner is declared.