

IMPACT OF FIBA RULE CHANGES AT MDBA

FIBA, the international controlling body of Basketball, have made some adjustments to the rules of the game. These become effective for all Austrian competitions beginning after 1 October 2015, this includes the 2014/2015 MDBA summer season and beyond.

Most of the changes have no impact on basketball at the domestic level at MDBA, however there are two rule changes that you should know about:

- The penalty for a Technical Foul (on a player, coach or the bench) has been reduced to one (1) free throw followed by possession from half way.

Please note the penalty for unsportsmanlike and disqualifying fouls has not changed, that is 2 shots and possession unless foul is on a shooter who makes a basket (1 shot and possession) or misses a 3 point attempt (3 shots and possession.)

- A player is disqualified when charged with two (2) technical fouls, even if they have less than 5 personal fouls.

Other notable changes are to do with shot clock operation, timeouts, uniforms and no charge circle definition.

If you need more specific detail on the changes see the official FIBA summary of the changes (http://www.sportingpulse.com/get_file.cgi?id=3304393)

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