



2017 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Senior Men & Women

MONDAY, JULY 3 to SATURDAY, JULY 8
TAURAMA AQUATIC & INDOOR CENTRE
PORT MORESBY, NATIONAL CAPITAL DISTRICT

TOURNAMENT INFORMATION & GUIDELINES





2017 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS FOR MEN & WOMEN

It is with pleasure that the Basketball Federation of Papua New Guinea (BFPNG), now extends an invitation to all affiliated associations to nominate teams for the 2017 BFPNG National Championships for men & women to be conducted in Port Moresby.

The BFPNG National Championships for men & women provides competing players with the opportunity for selection to BFPNG National Representative squads for the 2017 FIBA Melanesia Basketball Cup.

Because this is a sanctioned BFPNG event, nomination to compete is open to all teams from affiliated associations, that meet the requirements of entry and have no debts to BFPNG.

Each team nomination will be reviewed by BFPNG, with final competing team selection at the sole discretion of BFPNG.

All teams are responsible to cover their own costs to compete in the tournament including – the nomination fee, travel arrangements, on-ground costs, accommodation and meals.

Team delegates / representatives are asked to read the following information to ensure they understand their commitment to the 2017 National Championships for men & women.

RULES & REGULATIONS

Administration: The Basketball Federation of Papua New Guinea (BFPNG) will be administering the 2017 National Championships for men & women.

Venue: Taurama Aquatic & Indoor Centre (TAIC)
Taurama Road, Taurama, Port Moresby

Dates: Monday, July 3 to Saturday, July 8

Male Division: One Division Only

Female Division: One Division Only

Team Nomination Fee: Male: K1000.00 per team
Female: K1000.00 per team

Teams: Nominations for this tournament are open to teams from affiliated BFPNG associations. Associations can nominate as many teams as they see fit, provided that each team's nomination fee is paid and associated paperwork is completed and submitted to BFPNG by the advertised deadline.

Rules: Games will be played according to the FIBA Official Basketball Rules, unless otherwise specified in these guidelines.

Age Restrictions: All registered players must be a minimum of 15 years of age to compete.
(*Players already aged 15 or turning 15 in 2017. BFPNG may request proof of age documents.*)

Uniforms: All competing players and teams must be in matching singlet's (**NO EXCEPTIONS**).

Any player deemed to be not in correct matching uniforms by BFPNG or game referees, will be individually penalized 5-points. These points will be added to the opposition team score at the end of the 1st quarter. No uniforms shall have buttons or zippers in the shorts or attached to them.

BFPNG or game referees shall not permit any player to wear objects that may cause injury to themselves or to other players. The following are not permitted - headgear, hair accessories and jewelry. Referees will monitor all players' appearance prior to the start of each match. Referees will ask for the removal of rings, bracelets, necklaces, earrings and other body piercing objects.

Player Eligibility: Players are eligible to compete for an affiliated association, provided they have played in games in that association's competition(s) throughout 2017. Should a player be eligible to represent multiple affiliated associations (*meaning they have played in more than one affiliated association competition in 2017*), the player must seek an official release in writing, from each affiliated association that they will not be competing for.

Players based internationally are allowed to play for any affiliated association, pending they have provided BFPNG with an official release in writing from their current international association / team.

Each team can only have a maximum of twelve (12) players on their roster. At no stage can players be added to a roster once their team's paperwork has been submitted to BFPNG & the first game of the tournament has commenced.

Each player is allowed to play in one (1) team only. Once a player plays for one team they cannot change to another. Any players found to be changing teams, will result in that team's automatic forfeit.

To be eligible for the finals a player must suit up in 50% of his / her team's preliminary round games.

Game Timing: Preliminary round games and all finals matches will be timed as:

- 4 x 10-minute quarters – fully timed.
- Two (2) time outs may be granted to each team during the first half and three (3) time outs during the second half.
- In the event of a tied score at the end of a game, extra time periods of 3-minutes will be played until a result is obtained. A 1-minute break between regular time and extra periods of 3 minutes will be taken.
- Where time permits, there will be a 5-minutes warm up, 3-minutes half time break, 1-minute between quarters. Where games are running late warm up may be reduced to 3 minutes at the discretion of the Court Supervisor.
- A 24-second shot clock will be utilised where possible.

Team Points:

A win will result in 3-points
A loss will result in 1-point
A forfeit or disqualification will result in 0-points

Each division shall be based on above the points system. In the event where teams have equal points at the conclusion of preliminary round games, a tie breaker will be decided only by the head to head points between those teams. In the event that teams are still tied, total points differential will be used to determine the higher-ranking team.

Late to Game:

Referees will begin games on time and run the clock as scheduled in the competition draw. A team must have a minimum of three (3) players to start a competition game. A team will be penalized 3-points for each minute they do not have three (3) players and are unable to play. These points will be added to the opposition score at the end of the 1st quarter. If a team does not have three (3) players by the end of the first quarter they will be disqualified and awarded 0-points.

Players must be present in full uniform on the team bench before halftime to take the court. Any players arriving after the halftime break are ineligible to play.

In the case of extreme circumstances / Acts of God and a team is unable to make it to their game on time, BFPNG will convene to make a governing ruling regarding that game.

Protests:

If, during the competition, a team believes its interests have been adversely affected by a decision of an official [referee or umpire(s)] or by any event that took place during a game, it must proceed in the following manner:

- The captain of that team shall, immediately at the end of the game, inform the referee that his / her team is protesting against the result of the game and sign the scoresheet in the space marked 'Captain's signature in case of protest'.
- To make this protest valid, it is necessary for the official representative of the association or the team, to give confirmation of this protest in writing. This must be made within 20-minutes following the end of the game.
- The association or the team shall pay the BFPNG tournament director or in their absence a representative, a sum equivalent to K600.00 or \$200.00USD, as a non-refundable, official protest administration fee.
- Upon payment of the protest administration fee, the tournament appeals committee will review the protest, reaching an outcome within 24-hours of official protest submission.
- The tournament director or a representative of the tournament appeals committee will communicate any outcomes to the associations or teams involved.
- At no stage will the protest application fee be refunded. It shall remain the property of BFPNG.

Presentations:

Presentations will take place after all Grand Final games have concluded.

Door Entry: All team members and staff (*only those listed on the team registration form*) will be issued with a tournament accreditation pass allowing them free access to the venue for the duration of the tournament, through a separate entrance point to spectators.

All spectators aged 15 & over will be required to pay a door entry fee of K5 per person, per day. All children aged 14 to 5 will be required to pay a door entry fee of K2 per person, per day. Kids aged 5 & under will receive free entry.

Zero Tolerance: To ensure a safe and enjoyable environment for all players, officials and spectators, BFPNG have implemented a Zero Tolerance Policy for inappropriate behaviour. The Policy will ensure that there will be a zero-tolerance shown towards any inappropriate or abusive behaviour from spectators.

Any spectator who feels the necessity to:

- Persistently or willfully question or challenge the rulings of the referees
- Berate or abuse game officials i.e. referees and score table personnel
- Berate or abuse team officials
- Berate or abuse players
- Berate or abuse other spectators
- Berate or abuse any game day official such as a Court Controller, Referee, Association Representative or BFPNG Official

Will be escorted from the venue immediately by BFPNG officials or security.

No warnings need be given in the event of the above action becoming necessary. In addition to spectator behaviour being monitored by the Court Controller and BFPNG, if the referees have an issue with a spectator they may stop the game and get the Court Controller and inform them of what has occurred in order to have the Court Controller remove the spectator.

If at any stage during a game a referee believes a spectator needs to be watched they may stop the game and ask the Court Controller to watch. Any breaches of the Zero Tolerance Policy will be reported.

Tribunal: Any player, coach or spectator placed on report by an official throughout the tournament could be subject to face a tribunal hearing in accordance with BFPNG Tribunal By-Laws, or at the discretion of the tournament appeals committee.

National Selection: The BFPNG National Championships for men & women provides competing players with the opportunity for selection to BFPNG National Representative squads for the 2017 FIBA Melanesia Basketball Cup.

In line with the BFPNG High Performance National Team Selection Policy, eligible international players based outside of Papua New Guinea who don't compete in this tournament are also eligible for selection.

BFPNG will be naming National Representative squads at the conclusion of this tournament on Saturday, July 8. In line with BFPNG High Performance National Team Selection Policy, BFPNG reserves the right to select players at the Federation's sole discretion.



**2017 BFPNG NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS FOR MEN & WOMEN
TEAM NOMINATION FORM**

BFPNG AFFILIATED ASSOCIATION:

TEAM NAME:

MEN / WOMEN (Please Highlight or Circle)

PRIMARY TEAM UNIFORM COLOUR:

NUMBER OF PLAYERS IN TEAM (Maximum 12):

Team Delegate / Representative:

Team Manager Contact Details (if applicable):

Name:

Name:

Mobile:

Mobile:

Email:

Email:

Team Coach Contact Details:

Name:

Mobile:

Email:

Please email or post this form back to BFPNG by Friday, June 16 to:

**BASKETBALL PNG
PO BOX 1328
WATERFRONT NCD 125
or khalujoel@gmail.com**

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**2017 BFPNG NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS FOR MEN & WOMEN
TEAM ROSTER**

Team Delegate / Representative to complete ALL boxes for each team member.

Player	Jersey / Singlet No.	Player Name	Player Email Address or Contact Phone Number
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PROOF OF NOMINATION PAYMENT & PLAYER REGISTRATION FORMS MUST ACCOMPANY THIS FORM.

Please make any cheques payable to: BASKETBALL FEDERATION OF PNG

DIRECT DEPOSIT DETAILS:

BANK: Bank South Pacific

BANK BSB: 088-341

ACCOUNT NO: 1003502109

PAYMENT REFERENCE:

(Team Name)

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2017 BFPNG NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS FOR MEN & WOMEN PLAYER REGISTRATION FORM

All competing players in the 2017 BFPNG National Championships for men & women must complete this form in full and return to their nominated Team Delegate / Representative. Associations are then required to submit this form as part of all other team nomination paperwork. Associations must submit one (1) completed registration form per competing player.

Completion of this form also qualifies the below mentioned player to be eligible for selection in the 2017 BFPNG Men's & Women's Senior National Team squads.

PLAYER DETAILS:

Player Name: _____

Affiliated Association: _____

Date of Birth: _____ / _____ / _____

Player Phone No: _____

Player Contact Email: _____

Any medical conditions and details: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT DETAILS:

Name: _____

Contact Phone No: _____

Contact Email: _____

DISCLAIMER

Signing of this document indicates acceptance of the following: "I acknowledge and agree that if I suffer any personal injury, loss of property or any other kind of loss or damage of any kind whatsoever whilst during or because of my attendance and participation at the 2017 BFPNG National Championships for men & women, I will not hold the Basketball Federation of Papua New Guinea or any of its employees, officials, representatives or volunteers responsible and I will indemnify them in every respect in relation to the injury, loss or damage concerned, whether it is caused by their negligence or otherwise in carrying out their obligations or otherwise."

PLAYER AGREEMENT

I declare that all information submitted on this application form is correct and understand and agree to the Disclaimer listed above.

Player Name: _____

Player Signature: _____

Parent / Guardian Name (if Under 18): _____

Parent / Guardian Signature (if Under 18): _____



**2017 BFPNG NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS FOR MEN & WOMEN
TEAM DECLARATION FORM**

On behalf of my Association / Team I have hereby read, understand and agree to abide by the guidelines for the 2017 BFPNG National Championships for men & women. I understand that any breach of competition rules or guidelines may result in my team being withdrawn by BFPNG.

Team Name:

Team Delegate / Representative Name:

Team Delegate / Representative Signature:

Date: / /

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