



Summary of Major Changes to Country Championship By-Laws June 2021

Previous version 2012

Additions

2.2 The onus of knowledge and compliance with the By Laws lies with the Association.

8.2.3 Any Team containing two or more players in the categories in 8.2.2 must nominate in Division 1 of that age group. **Added sentence-** Teams may apply for an exemption to play in Division 2, based on overall team personnel.

8.3 Overseas players contracted to play Basketball and/or with a sporting visa are not eligible to play. Overseas players who have been registered with FIBA for at least three (3) years are eligible to play in the SACBCI Senior Country Championships. **Added sentence-** Players must still qualify under 8.1.1 and 8.1.3.

16.15 Concussion Policy rules [Basketball Australia Concussion Policy](#) applies as the official Concussion Protocol for the Championships.

8.1.2 Have no outstanding debt with SA Country Basketball, unless an approved payment arrangement is in place.

Amendments

General amendments of terms throughout- CCSC (Country Championships Subcommittee), Changing of names due to updates such as Courtside and Gameday. Changes of 'first' and 'second', or 'home' and 'away', to 'Team A' and 'Team B'.

8.1.3 Senior Championships – players must have played a minimum percentage (30%) of games for a team competing in the Association's competition in the current or a past season. **-The word 'A' added in, to give a timeline**

8.1.5 Player registrations for Masters competition (over 35 years of age), are exempt from 8.1.3 as long as 8.1.1 is satisfied.

8.4. Any senior player who plays in a higher grade than any Country Association competition (i.e. NBL1 or equivalent) must be listed on the Country Championships Nomination form. In senior divisions, a player must be 14 years of age prior to the Championships in which the player seeks to register and play.

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12.1 Every nominating team shall provide a competent scorer or timekeeper (including a 24 second clock operator where required) as a bench official during a match in which the team participates. Team A's scorer will be required to use the Courtside system and provide the 24 second clock operator, if required. and the timekeeper position will be filled by Team B. Penalties will apply to the team, as per 7.3 if the absence of a team scorer or timekeeper delays the game from the scheduled starting time.

Increase of penalty for non-supply of referees

12.2 An additional fee of \$250 is to be added to the nomination fee if the name and availability details of a referee are not supplied or if the name and availability details of a non-country referee are supplied.

Tribunals and reports

16.5. Referees, Referee Supervisors, Venue Supervisors and SA Country Basketball staff may report players, coaches, team officials or spectators.

16.5.1. Such reports are to be made in writing to the Venue Supervisor, who in consultation with the SA Country Basketball Executive Officer will determine if the matter be referred to the Country Championships Tribunal or the matter be dismissed.

16.5.2. If the matter is referred to the Country Championships Tribunal, the reported person may still play the remainder of the Country Championships, and the Tribunal take place after the Championships are over.

16.5.3. The Championships Tribunal acts in accordance with the SA Country Basketball Tribunal By Laws.

Timing Amendments

13.2. For U16 and U18 division one (1), games will be fully timed 8-minute quarters with 14/24 second shot clocks, championship conditions will apply as per FIBA rules.

13.3. For A Grade Senior Country Championships, games will 10-minute running clock quarters, with 14/24 second shot clocks in the pool rounds. For finals, games will be fully timed 8-minute quarters, with 14/24 second shot clock, championship conditions will apply as per FIBA rules.

13.4. All other games will be 10-minute running clock quarters with the clock only stopping for time outs, except in the last two (2) minutes of the final quarter when championship conditions will apply (fully timed, as per FIBA rules).

3 Pointers

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All U14s Divisions now allowed to shoot 3 pointers.

The 3-point line will not operate in any U12 Division.

Removed

8.1.2 Have no immediate family members who are unfinancial with SACBCI. This includes, but is not limited to brothers, sisters and parents;

1.2 During the course of game coaches will remain seated in the team bench area at all times except under the following conditions:

(a) Coaches may stand to approach the bench to call time-outs and may stand during time-outs to address players.

(b) Coaches may stand within their area of the bench to deliver instructions to players on court and

11.4. If a grade or division has an odd number of teams and each team does not have the opportunity to play every other team because of the draw, final position placing for teams on equal points will be determined by the final percentage for all minor round matches for all teams in that grade or division.