



### GOA BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION'S

# **INDIAN SCHOOL BASKETBALL LEAGUE (2017-18)**

APRIL - JULY 2018

# RULES and REGULATIONS

### **General Points:**

- 1. The School League will be conducted in both Boys & Girls sections.
- 2. The minimum number of teams required for conducting league is 16 for the Boys and 8 teams in Girls.
  - a. The teams will be split into groups of 8
  - b. Each team will play all the teams in their group one time, for a total of each team playing 7 matches
- 3. The League will be played on league cum Knock-out system at State and National level.
  - a. The League Phase of the ISCBL must be played over a minimum of 6 week period, with each team playing at least once per week.
  - b. This is not a tournament, hence the tournament being spread over a time frame of 6 weeks will have a match each week.
- 4. Winner of the State in School League in Boys/Girls qualify to participate in National League.
- 5. All participants/ players must be a bonafide student of School.
- 6. The age limit for participation in School League U-19 in Boys/Girls. The cut of date is 01.01.1999.
- 7. Only one team from each institution is allowed to participate where multi-faculty programmes are covered.
- 8. On line registration of the players and officials by School/ Institution is mandatory with a hard copy to the state Secretary for further submission to BFI.
- 9. A Convener for each Zone (4) will be nominated to visit the Organizing to oversee the organization of the league.

### **Playing Rules:**

- 1. A team shall comprise of 12 players. The same 12 players who participate in the State Phase will be eligible for the National Finals. No additions will be allowed.
- 2. Atleast TEN players MUST play in every match. Each of these TEN players MUST play ONE FULL QUARTER.
- 3. No player can enter the field in all the 4 quarters as a player or as a substitute i.e., A player MUST sit out for ONE FULL QUARTER in a match





- 4. If a player has not played in the first 3 quarters and is entering the field only in the 4th quarter and if this player is injured/is disqualified or commits five personal fouls by which they cannot continue playing, then only the 11th or 12th bench player (one who has not played in the match), can enter the ground. If all the other players have played full 3 quarters, the team MUST play out the remaining time with reduced number of players.
- 5. The match will be played over 4 quarters of 10 minutes each.
- 6. In case the scores are tied at the end of regulation time, the game shall continue for as many extra periods as required to resolve the tie. During extra period(s), the teams shall continue to score in the same basket as was done during the 4th quarter of the scheduled game. In extra periods, all players are allowed to play.
- 7. Teams can play either zone defence or man-to-man defence.
- 8. No pressure defense except for the 4th Quarter. In other words, defense must give the offense the opportunity to bring the ball up without defense up to the center line.

## Classification System: Rankings will be done as per FIBA Rules.

- 1. Classification Points:
  - a. Win = 2 points
  - b. Loss = 1 point
  - c. Forfeit = 0 points
- 2. Head to Head Match Up
- 3. Goal Average (Points For / Points Against)
  - a. If more than two teams are equal in placing, second classification will be established, taking into account only the results of the games between the teams tied
- 4. If the teams are all tied even after 2(a), then classification is done using Goal Average for all games played Points For

#### **Participant Etiquette:**

- 1. Any areas made available by the institutions for the conduct of the leagues must be treated with respect and all rules of the institutions must be followed. Any violations of institution rules will be subject to their punishments and BFI/SBA holds the right to suspend any individuals for violations.
- 2. Any property damaged through the wrongdoing of any individual(s) will be the responsibility of the individual(s).
- 3. Institutions are responsible for the conduct of their players and coaches on and off the court.





- 4. Players/Coaches/Team Officials:
  - a. Players are to show respect to referees, officials, organizers and Institution officials.
  - b. Cursing and abusing of any individuals, including the opposing teams, is not allowed.
  - c. Any physical altercation (on or off the court) will result in suspension of a minimum of 2 matches. Any additional suspension will be at the discretion of GBA.
  - d. Any individual who accumulates more than two (2) technical fouls throughout the matches will be suspended for the following one (1) match. For every two (2) additional technical fouls received by same individual, he/she will be suspended one (1) match.
  - e. If an individual is suspended for a total of four (4) matches during any part of the state phase, they will be automatically suspended for the remainder of the league (including National Finals).

## **Team Participation/Walkovers:**

- 1. All teams must participate in all matches, irrespective of the potential outcomes of games.
- 2. If a team does not show up the will be assessed a walkover loss (resulting in 0 points in classification), the opponent will be given a victory.
- 3. If a team has a scheduling conflict, they must inform the Organizer 48 hours in advance of the reason for the conflict.
  - a. If the conflict is for a valid reason, the Organizer will try to re-schedule the match if possible.
  - b. If it is not possible to reschedule, the team will be assessed a walkover
  - c. If a team has two (2) walkovers/forfeits, the team will be disqualified for the entire competition.

#### **Appeals / Protests:**

**Procedure**: Procedure/protocols, i.e. payments, required documentation, etc., for protests are per the SBA's standardized rules.

Player Eligibility Issues

- 1. Any violation of the regulations can be brought to attention of organizers by:
  - a. Opposing teams in an official protest letter
  - b. Referees prior, during or after the matches
  - c. Organizers themselves can highlight any violations





#### 2. Potential Violations:

- a. If violation is brought to the attention from opposing team through protest letter, and under review:
  - i. The accused team is given two options:
    - 1. Player(s) who have been accused of violation of rules/regulations can sit out during the protest inquiry
    - 2. Player(s) can continue to participate during protest inquiry; however, if they are found to have violated the rules/regulations, the team will forfeit any matches in which player(s) participated in.
  - ii. SBA will make an inquiry into the protest and will make the final decision prior to the next match.
  - iii. If accused player has all necessary documentation to prove eligibility, the burden is on the accusing team to show ineligibility
- b. If a violation of rules and/or regulations is found by organizer:
  - i. If the player(s) have already participated in matches, the team that had violated the rules/regulations will forfeit the match(es), regardless of the match outcomes.
  - ii. If the player(s) have not played in any matches, they will not be allowed to participate.
- 3. If a team is found guilty of a violation, the team may appeal to the City Organizer/Technical Official; the individual(s) in question will not be allowed to participate until the City Organizer/Technical Official makes the final decision.

#### **Team / Outcome Protests**

- 1. Any violation of the regulations can be brought to attention of organizers by:
  - a. Opposing teams in an official protest letter
  - b. Referees prior, during or after the matches
  - c. Organizers themselves can highlight any violations
- 2. SBA will be the final judiciary on the protest; however, if the BFI feels there are numerous, complaints that reflect a pattern, the BFI holds the right to overrule and protests and decisions.
- 3. All protests should be submitted to the BFI along with the Report.

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