

Welcome

Welcome to the Rebels Rebelles Basketball Association (RRBA)! Our club aims to provide a rewarding basketball development experience to players in Victoria, British Columbia. This document contains information to orient new players with our club and provide helpful reminders to returning players.

Night League

Our teams play weekly games organized by Night League (the League). We encourage you to visit <u>Night League's</u> website and get familiar with the information shared there, including rules, regulations, registration, and schedules. Our volunteers are knowledgeable with the League and able to help with questions.

Depending on the age category, the game starts in mid-October and finishes by either mid-February or in March before spring break. We can help you navigate through the information and prepare you for the season once the teams are formed.

Player assessment

Our club hosts player assessment sessions in June each year to get a sense of how many players we'll have for the new Night League season, assess player skills, and inform team formation based on skill levels and the availability of volunteer coaches. Sessions are typically provided based on the League's age categories: U11, U13, and U15. U13 and U15 assessments are more focused on skills compared to the expectations for U11s. Each player must pay a pre-registration fee prior to the assessment to help cover the gym rental and registration expenses.

Players and parents code of conduct

All RRBA players and associated parents are expected to follow the standard code of conduct approved by the RRBA Board. A code of conduct form will be shared with all families and must be signed and returned to the club before registration.

Teams

Teams are formed based on multiple factors:

- Player age: we follow the age assignment rules provided by the League:
 - o U-11: under 11 years of age on December 31st of the current registration year
 - o U-13: under 13 years of age on December 31st of the current registration year
 - U-15: under 15 years of age on December 31st of the current registration year
 - o U-18: under 18 years of age on December 31st of the current registration year
- Player skills: to ensure players have the optimal development and enjoyment throughout the season, the
 coaches do their best to assign appropriate teams based on player experience with basketball. U11 teams are
 formed mostly based on age and friendship.
- Available coaches: we have a limited number of coaches for players. Parents are encouraged to join our club
 as coaches if they have previous basketball or coaching experience. All coaches must follow the Night League
 Coaches Code of Conduct and maintain a valid Criminal Record Check with the League.
- Unfortunately, if we don't have enough coaches to support the number of interested players, some players may be directed to join other clubs.

Practice

Team practice schedule and duration are dependent on school gym availability. Our Facility Coordinator works with Saanich Rentals and Night League to book weekly practice sessions. The cost for the weekly practice sessions is included in club fees. Weekly practice length varies based on age category:

• U11 practice: 1 hour per week

• U13/U15 practice: 1.5 hours per week

Extra practice is possible but dependent on gym and coaches' availability. The club fee at the beginning of the Night League season covers practice sessions between September and March. Spring development sessions will likely be opened for registration in January the following year.

Players need to bring their basketball, water bottle, and dress appropriately (e.g., clean indoor basketball or tennis shoes. No Converse or Vans as they ruin the gym floor.) for practice.

Team trips

Our club works with community and school teams such as UVic Vikes and Camosun College Rams for our players to participate in their in-season events to mop the floor and play a half-time game. We also participate in local tournaments when possible. We try our best to provide this unique and exciting experience to all teams based on the community teams' availability.

Fees

NEW RRBA PLAYERS OR those that need a new set of RRBA jersey/shorts

U11: \$295

U13/U15: \$395

Included in the club fees:

- Night League season fee per team
- Practice gym (mid-September to mid-March)
- Jersey and shorts
- Team and individual photo
- Year-end medal
- First aid supplies

Optional/additional:

- Team hoodie and socks
- Tournament fees (as applicable)

For this year (2024-2025), all Rebelles will be getting a new set of jerseys and shorts. Therefore, all Rebelles fees this year will be the above for those that need a new set of club jerseys/shorts.

RETURNING RRBA PLAYERS OR those that already have RRBA jersey/shorts

U11: \$235 U13/U15: \$335

Included in the club fees:

- Night League season fee per team
- Practice gym (mid-September to mid-March)
- Team and individual photo
- Year-end medal
- First aid supplies

Optional/additional:

- Team hoodie and socks
- Tournament fees (as applicable)

Club fees are due at the end of August.

The deadline for Night League registration and team fees is typically during the first week of September. A 50% refund is possible for players who withdraw before September 15. Any refunds after September 15 must obtain RRBA Board approval.

Jerseys

We're designing and making Rebelles jerseys and shorts so that players can purchase them like the Rebels do starting with this upcoming season in September 2024. Therefore, fees for all Rebelles players this year will include club jerseys and shorts.

All players can keep their jerseys (top and bottom). We encourage families to donate jerseys and shorts that are too small or no longer needed for players back to the club. There will be a small incentive for families if they wish to participate. With enough donated jerseys and shorts, we hope to start a jersey rental program for future families so that basketball experience will be more affordable and enjoyable.

Fundraising Opportunities

As a club we strive to participate in exciting events and activities that allow players, families, coaches, and managers to get out in the community and show how the RRBA is a positive club to be a part of. Our goals are to be able to fundraise and give back to our players (for example; new equipment, treats, parties, team outings, etc.) and to help local organizations in need of donations (some examples include; BC SPCA, The Mustard Speed, Our Place Society). Through fundraising, we would like to host fun gatherings that encourage players to get to know players from other teams and we would like all players to be able to experience what it feels like to give back to the community.

Spring basketball development programs

During the Night League off season, our club works with community teams to host basketball camps. Let your coach or manager know if you are interested in joining our spring basketball development programs.

Contact

We wish you the best experience with RRBA! We're here to help if you have any questions.

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