

The 2026 ABA Youth Provincial Championships will use current FIBA rules, with the following modifications and points of emphasis:

- 1. Game Format for games in the 18U Girls Division:**
 - a. For games in the 18U Girls Division, games will be played with FIBA 3X3 Rules format
- 2. Game Ball**
 - a. The 18U Girls 3x3 Division will use the official Wilson 3x3 Ball
- 3. Timing of Games**
 - a. 18U 3x3 Division will play games of **15-minute** duration or **21 points** whichever is completed first.
 - b. Pre-game warm-up will begin as per scheduled start time and is 5 minutes long.
 - i. For example, if the game is scheduled for 8:30 am, tip-off should commence at 8:35 a.m. to allow for team warm-ups.
- 4. Timeouts.**
 - a. Each team has **1 time out** per game
- 5. Three (3) Point Line:**
 - a. The three (3) point line used in the 18U 3x3 division will be the 6.75m three (3) pt line if available.
- 6. Games Tied at the End of Regulation Time**
 - a. If the score remains tied at the end of regulation time; the first team to score **2 points** wins the game.
- 7. Roster Changes/Player Additions after the Roster Deadline**
 - a. All rosters and players must be previously registered with their league of play (pending league availability) to represent their team.
 - b. A team from the 18U girls' 3X3 Division may be declared to have up to 6 players to its roster; rosters must coincide with registered rosters as per league of play (pending league availability).
 - c. Any 3X3 division may be subject to open application as not all regions, zones or leagues may be fielding 3X3 programming at this time.
 - d. Players may be listed on and participate for only one roster for the duration of the 2024 Youth Provincials.
 - e. Players being added must be from either: 1) a younger age category; or 2) a lower division level within the same age category (i.e A Div 1 team could add any Div 2 player, while a 'Div 2' team could add any player from Div 3 or lower). Players from a higher division are not eligible to be added to a lower Division team.

- f. Players being added must reside in the same community or amalgamated communities as the team which has declared for provincials.
- g. A team must submit all roster additions to Alberta Basketball. Requests must clearly demonstrate why the team needs additional players. All requests must be received in writing via e-mail by **March XX, 2025 at 12:00 pm.**

8. Player Usage

- a. Alberta Basketball believes in the development of all athletes and strongly encourages coaches to provide fair playing time for all players. The Long-Term Athlete Development model is the basis for our instruction, and it is important for all athletes to be exposed to on-court learning opportunities in an encouraging yet challenging environment.
- b. Each team will be responsible for managing playing time for their players. Challenges to playing time from opposing teams will not be entertained.

9. Forfeits

- a. Teams will be given **5 minutes** from their scheduled start time to have registered players ready to play. If a team does not have **three (3)** registered players within those 5 minutes, they will forfeit the game.
- b. Any team that forfeits a game may not be allowed to continue playing in the tournament. Forfeiture and all other division schedule impact and modifications will be determined at the discretion of the Technical Committee.

10. Protests

- a. As per ASAA and Alberta Basketball rules, there are no game protests. The Technical Committee will be available to rule on eligibility and discipline issues as they arise.
- b. Appeals on referee decisions will not be entertained.
- c. Rulings on situations not addressed within this package will be made at the discretion of the Technical Committee.

11. Enforcement

- a. Game officials will be made aware of these rule modifications as well as all general tournament rules. Game officials and tournament officials will be monitoring and will be enforcing these rules during the tournament at each age group and level of play.
- b. As role models and leaders in youth sports the first responsibility for enforcement of these rule modifications lies with the coaches to conduct themselves to the highest standards of sportsmanship and ethical behaviour.
- c. Please be aware that the following penalties may be enforced for any violations of these rule modifications and/or other general tournament rules:

- i. First violation - will receive a verbal warning
 - ii. Second violation - technical foul may be assigned to the player or coach
 - iii. Third violation - a 2nd technical foul may be assigned to the player or coach.
12. Any player or coach who receives a two-technical disqualification or is ejected from any game MAY be suspended for the duration of tournament play at the discretion of the technical committee. All violations will be recorded on the official game sheet.
13. All participating teams are expected to comply with the Spirit of the Rules - Any indication of deliberate or clearly demonstrated violations of the rules will not be tolerated.

Safe Court – Safe Sport

Basketball is an inclusive and accessible sport for all players, coaches, referees, staff, and spectators. Everyone is welcome and to be treated with dignity and respect in a safe environment.

There is ZERO TOLERANCE for any maltreatment or behavior that is harassing, disrespectful, bullying, discriminating, or in violation of the ABA Code of Conduct. Violations will be addressed immediately and removed from the event venue.

Technical Committee Representatives

Alberta Basketball Association (ABA) – Reagan Wood
Alberta Basketball Association (ABA) – Dave Drabiuk
Calgary Minor Basketball Association (CMBA) – Ken King
Edmonton Youth Basketball Association (EYBA) – Jay Ouellette

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Contact Info

Questions regarding the technical package and rule modifications should be directed to a zone and/or league representatives directly for follow-up.

Questions about the tournament can be directed to:
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