



# **BASKETBALL**

**NEW  
NOUVEAU BRUNSWICK**

**Policy & Procedures Manual**

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## **SECTION A-ORGANIZATION**

### **A-1 Board of Directors**

The Board of Directors shall consist of nine to eleven Directors, who shall be elected for two-year terms by the membership, at the Annual General Meeting. Vacancies occurring in the Board throughout the year may be filled by appointment by the President, effective until the next AGM. All directives governing the actions and responsibilities of the Board of Directors are outlined in the Constitution of Basketball New Brunswick Inc.

### **A-2 Officers**

The Officers of Basketball New Brunswick shall be President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. They shall be elected by the Board of Directors from within the Board of Directors, and shall hold office for one year. An exception will be the Past President, who will automatically be a non-voting ex-officio member of the Board of Directors for the next year.

### **A-3 Duties of Board Members**

#### a) Past President

- to assist the President with the running of the Association
- to attend all Board Meetings
- to pass along their experience in the administration of the association to new Board Members
- to chair committees, as required

#### b) President

- to chair all meetings of the Association
- to attend all functions, either social or business, with which the Association is involved
- to set up committees to run the business of the Association
- to set a good image and be as visible as possible to the public
- to see that officers of BNB give written reports at the provincial AGM
- to prepare the agenda for AGM and Board meetings
- to select attendees for the national AGM at such location as determined
- to coordinate the activities of the other members of the Board of Directors
- to liaise with the AABO
- to be in regular contact with the Executive Director
- to provide feedback, evaluation and support to the Executive Director
- to chair the Personnel Committee
- to be a signing officer and member of the Finance Committee
- to give an annual written report at the Annual General Meeting
- to appoint the chairperson of the Nominating Committee

#### c) Vice President

- to attend all meetings of the Association and take the chair in the absence of the President
- to help arrange committees to do the work of the Association
- to give an annual written report at the Annual General Meeting

#### d) Secretary

- to attend and ensure accurate records of all association meetings are kept
- to ensure the circulation of minutes of all meetings
- to be a member of the Finance Committee
- to ensure a complete record of all association business (minutes, etc.) is kept
- to give an annual written report at the Annual General Meeting

#### e) Treasurer

- to keep an accurate, detailed set of books so that the BNB financial position is available at all times
- to assist the Executive Director with the administration of funds
- to review the reconciliation of bank statements
- to be a member of the Personnel Committee

- to be a signing officer and chair of Finance Committee
- to recommend appointment of auditor
- to oversee the development of a yearly budget, and monitor expenditures from the various accounts
- to present a financial statement at all Board Meetings
- to give an annual written report at the Annual General Meeting

#### **A-4 Definition of an Amateur**

All basketball players will be considered amateurs provided they have not:

- a) played or taught basketball in consideration of direct or indirect pecuniary gain
- b) been disqualified by Canada Basketball or any member thereof
- c) knowingly played against professional basketball players in games or tournaments, unless written permission is obtained from BNB
- d) received prizes in money or merchandise vouchers, except as specifically authorized
- e) received reimbursement over and above legitimate expenses, while engaged in amateur basketball

Note: Playground instructors, physical education instructors, or others teaching sports in part-time or seasonal occupations shall be regarded as amateurs.

#### **A-5 Definitions of Member Groups**

##### **A-5.1 – Definition of a Minor Association**

A local basketball organization, committed to promotion, development and encouragement of the sport of basketball in their area and may apply to BNB for membership as a Minor Association.

Registration renewal for Minor Associations is September 1st. Registration deadline for Minor Associations is November 30th. All Minor Association registrations expire on August 31.

a) Responsibilities of a Minor Association:

- to register as a Minor Association (including the submission of appropriate fees) prior to any official Association activities taking place;
- to register all members (players, coaches, officials, managers and administrators) with BNB by November 30<sup>th</sup> (including the submission of appropriate fees);
- to keep an updated Constitution of the Association on file with the Executive Director of BNB;
- to submit an annual report to the AGM of BNB;
- to hold an Annual General Meeting for the Association, announced at least 14 days prior and details circulated to all members and BNB;
- following the AGM of the association, to submit to BNB the minutes and a list of the Executive Officers for the coming year;
- offer programs for multiple age groups and both genders;
- follow an age and stage appropriate developmental pathway aligned with BNB and Canada Basketball;
- be a not-for-profit organization (may or may not be incorporated);
- adopts BNB's governance policies in the absence of their own.

b) Services provided by BNB:

- voting privileges at the AGM of BNB (2-3 votes pending membership size);
- use of NBAABO officials;
- information sent to Association President/Main Contact through BNB distribution list;
- a copy of BNB Constitution and Policy & Procedures Manual;
- insurance coverage through BNB's comprehensive insurance package;
- access to BNB Staff/Executive for consultation, etc;
- access to BNB Technical Director for coach and player development;
- reduction in registration fees to all Association teams who participate in Provincial Championships;
- discount on merchandise purchased from BNB;
- preference in hosting of Provincial Championship tournaments;
- such other services that may from time to time be available.

## **A-5.2 – Definition of a Club**

A local basketball group, committed to promotion, development and encouragement of the sport of basketball and may apply to BNB for membership as a Club. Registration renewal for Clubs is September 1st. All Club registrations expire on August 31, regardless of the date they registered.

### **a) Responsibilities of a Club:**

- to register as a Club (including the submission of appropriate fees) prior to any official Club activities taking place;
- to register all members (players, coaches, officials, managers and administrators) prior to any official activities taking place (including the submission of appropriate fees);
- to submit an annual report to the AGM of BNB;
- offer program(s) for selected age groups and/or genders;
- follow an age and stage appropriate developmental pathway;
- clearly communicate to its members and BNB whether it is a for-profit or not-for-profit organization;
- must adhere to BNB's governance policies in the absence of their own.

### **b) Services provided by BNB:**

- possible voting privileges at the AGM of BNB (25+ members);
- use of NBAABO officials;
- information sent to Club President/Main Contact through BNB distribution list;
- a copy of BNB Constitution and Policy & Procedures Manual;
- insurance coverage through BNB's comprehensive insurance package;
- access to BNB Staff/Executive for consultation, etc;
- access to BNB Technical Director for coach and player development (at a reduced cost);
- reduction in registration fees to all Club teams who participate in Provincial Championships;
- discount on merchandise purchased from BNB;
- such other services that may from time to time be available.

## **A-5.3 – Definition of a Training Group**

A local group that offers training outside of a traditional Minor Association or Club (team) format. This may include, but is not limited to, individual or small group skills training and/or strength and conditioning services. A Training Group does NOT form teams or compete in games.

### **a) Responsibilities of a Training Group:**

- to register as a Training Group (including the submission of appropriate fees) prior to any official activities taking place;
- to register ALL members prior to any official activities taking place (including the submission of appropriate fees);
- offer program(s) for selected age groups and/or genders;
- follow an age and stage appropriate developmental pathway;
- clearly communicate to its members and BNB whether it is a for-profit or not-for-profit organization;
- must adhere to BNB's governance policies in the absence of their own.

### **b) Services provided by BNB:**

- information sent to Club President/Main Contact through BNB distribution list;
- a copy of BNB Constitution and Policy & Procedures Manual;
- insurance coverage through BNB's comprehensive insurance package;
- access to BNB Staff/Executive for consultation, etc;
- access to BNB Technical Director for coach and player development (at a reduced cost);
- discount on merchandise purchased from BNB;
- such other services that may from time to time be available.

## **A-6 Organizing an Association**

The organization of a community Basketball Association is an important step in the development of minor basketball in the province. This process may take place in several ways, but the method that has proven most successful is to start small and gradually build. These Associations, once in operation, will guarantee continuity of community basketball programs.

In forming an Association there are several key elements that need to be considered:

- a) Availability of people willing to volunteer their time to guide the association.
- b) Availability of facilities.
- c) Parental involvement and desire to have a community program.
- d) Involvement of both girls and boys.
- e) A basic Constitution should be developed as soon as possible. A generic Constitution is available from the BNB office, as a developmental aid. The constitution should contain articles covering the following items:
  - Name
  - Objectives
  - Membership
  - Directors
  - Election of Directors
  - Officers
  - Meetings
- f) Selection and training of coaches. This is the most important element of a strong organization.
- g) Administrative people should be recruited from the parents of the youth in the program.
- h) Development of job descriptions for various positions required to operate the organization, such as:
  - Officers (President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer)
  - Technical Direction
  - Director of Officials – Chief Referee
  - Director of Minor Officials
  - Equipment Manager
  - Facility Manager
  - Publicity Chairperson
  - Fund Raising Chairperson
  - Registrar
  - Tournament Chairperson
  - Social Chairperson
- i) Provision of good competition through league participation and tournament involvement, both home and away.

## **A-7 Constitution**

The present Constitution, developed by a BNB-appointed Constitution Committee, was adopted at the 1979 AGM for a one year trial period, and was adopted by the 1980 AGM as the Official Constitution. From time to time, amendments have been made at the Annual General Meeting.

It is designed as a guide to the policies and ideals governing the operation of Basketball New Brunswick. Coupled with the Policy and Procedures Manual, which is the guide to implementing these policies, the entire scope of basketball in New Brunswick is covered.

## **A-8 Amending Procedures**

Amendments to the Constitution may be submitted by any member of BNB at any AGM. Amendments may be passed by a majority of the voting members at the AGM.

From time to time throughout the year, the Board of Directors may decide amendments to the Constitution are necessitated, either by developments not covered by the document, or by sections of the document which do not function adequately.

In such cases, the Board may make the amendment, effective until the next AGM, at which time the amendment will come up for ratification by the membership. Should it fail to pass, it will immediately cease to be in effect, until at least the next AGM where it may, if desired, be reintroduced through the proper channels.

Notification of all amendments passed during the AGM or at any Board of Directors meeting must be circulated to the membership within 30 days of being passed.

### **A-9 Protest Procedure**

Should a team believe to have had its interests adversely affected by a decision of an Official (referee or scorer, etc.) or by any event that took place during a game it must proceed in the following manner:

1) At the moment the incident takes place, immediately when the ball is dead and the clock is stopped, or at the first time-out that follows, the Coach shall make his observations to the Referee, providing this is done in a calm and courteous manner. The Referee may explain his decision or, if necessary, may examine the score sheet and check the score and playing time. Should this interruption of play exceed 30 seconds, it shall be charged as a time-out to the team in question, unless the Referee decides otherwise.

2) If, at the end of the game, the team in question should deem to have been put at a disadvantage by what has happened, the Coach shall immediately report at the Scorer's table and inform the Scorer (and through him, the Referee) that his team is appealing the result of the game. He shall then mark the score sheet "Decision Appealed", and sign his name. The Referee and Scorer must also sign the score sheet. In order to make this declaration valid, the Coach must give confirmation of protest (without details) in writing with a security deposit of \$100, to the Tournament Manager within 20 minutes following the game.

3) The coach of the team in question must submit the details of the protest to the Tournament Manager within the hour that follows the end of the game. If the protest is accepted, the security shall be refunded. If not, the security shall be retained by BNB.

### **A-10 Sport Accident Insurance**

Agent - Basketball New Brunswick is insured via BFL Canada. The annual policy dates coincide with the BNB fiscal year (Sept 1st to Aug 31st).

Coverage - All members of BNB are included in the coverage of the policy, from the time they become paid, registered members of BNB, until the expiration of the policy (Aug 31st). This includes all games, practices and team travel. This coverage should act as a secondary source (i.e. once a person's own medical coverage has been exhausted they may submit a claim through BNB).

Certificate – An Insurance Certificate ("Proof of Insurance") can be requested by Minor Associations from the BNB office.

Travel outside of Canada – It is recommended that individuals or teams obtain additional coverage when travelling outside of Canada for games and tournaments.

### **A-11 Liability Insurance**

Agent - Basketball New Brunswick is insured via BFL Canada. The annual policy dates coincide with the BNB fiscal year (Sept 1st to Aug 31st).

Coverage - All members of BNB are included in the coverage of the policy, from the time they become paid, registered members of BNB, until the expiration of the policy (Aug 31). This includes all games, practices and team travel.

**A-12 AABO (Provincial Official’s Association)**

a) FIBA Rulebooks and Casebooks are available from: <http://www.fiba.com>

b) Schedule of Fees (effective September 2024). For most up to date fees, please visit: <http://nbaabo.homestead.com/NBAABOInfo.html>

Great Grand Masters	\$ 51
Grand Masters	\$ 51
Masters	\$ 51
Intermediate	\$ 51
High School – Varsity/JV	\$ 46
U18/U16	\$ 46
Middle School	\$ 35
U14	\$ 35
U13	\$ 35
U12	\$ 35
U11	\$ 30
Wheelchair	\$ 46
Mileage Rate:	\$.38/km
Pump Price < \$1.00 / l	\$0.35
Pump Price \$1.00 - \$ 1.49 / l	\$0.40
Pump Price \$1.50 - \$ 1.99 / l	\$0.45
Pump Price \$2.00 - \$ 2.49 / l	\$0.50
Pump Price > \$2.50 / l	\$0.55
Per Diem:	\$ 45

NOTE: For any tournament, jamboree, benefit game, etc. the management should consult with the zone representative for special rates and inter-zone travel. Fee schedules and per diems for provincial tournaments are set by the AABO Executive.

**SECTION B - PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**B-1 Membership**

Membership within Basketball New Brunswick shall be attained by payment of a membership fee. This fee is included in the registration fees paid by any team participating in Provincial Playoffs. Non-playing coaches or managers must also pay a fee. Payment of this amount, either separately or with the player's registration, entitles this person to inclusion in the Sport Accident and Liability Insurance plan. For additional membership information please consult the BNB Constitution.

**B-2 Competitive Divisions**

Competitions may be arranged in each of the following divisions, based on December 31 of current playing season:

Wheelchair	open age
Great Grand Masters	55 years of age and over
Grand Masters	45 years of age and over
Masters	35 years of age and over
Intermediate	open age
U18	under 18 years of age*
U16	under 16 years of age*
Middle School	All players from same middle school*
U14	under 14 years of age*
U13	under 13 years of age*
U12	under 12 years of age*
U11	under 11 years of age*

Ages referred to above shall be calculated as of December 31 of the current playing season (September-August). Proof of age must be available at all Provincial Championships. Accurate birth years can be found on the BNB web site under the Provincial Championships tab.

### **B-3 Registration**

To register a team for BNB Provincial Championships, the following must be observed:

- Teams must register online through the BNB website.
- Payments can be made online by credit card or paid by cash, cheque or money order in person or in the mail, or by e-mail money transfer.
- Payments are due on the same date as the registration deadline. Teams failing to submit payments will not be included in tournament draws and schedules.
- A maximum of 18 players may be registered, however only a limited number of awards will be provided (per Article B-16)
- Registration fees are refundable only by approval of the Board of Directors.

### **B-4 Registration Deadline**

- a) The registration deadline will be in early/mid-January and announced well in advance on the BNB web site for U11, U2, U13, U14, middle school, U16 and U18.
- b) The registration deadline for all adult tournaments is mid/late-February and will be posted on the BNB web site by January 15th.
- c) Registration Deadlines are strictly enforced.
- d) Registrations can only be accepted by BNB's Executive Director or designate.
- e) In the U11, masters, grand masters and great grand masters divisions, should a team roster be reduced to less than 12 players, players may be replaced (up to the original team roster number) before the provincial championship tournament. New players can only replace names that were originally on the registration form. There is a fee of \$15 for each replacement made and all replacements must be approved by the BNB Executive Director. Roster changes may not be accepted once the divisions have been made.
- f) In all other categories (not referenced in "e" above), should a team roster be reduced to less than 10 players, players may be replaced (up to the original team roster number) before the provincial championship tournament. New players can only replace names that were originally on the registration form. There is a fee of \$15 for each replacement made and all replacements must be approved by the BNB Executive Director. Roster changes may not be accepted once the divisions have been made.

### **B-5 Provincial Championship & Jamboree Tournament Fees**

These may be subject to change and should be verified on the BNB web site prior to the championships each year.

Division	Non-Association	Association
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	Fee	Fee
Under 11	\$ 525	\$ 295
Under 12	\$ 575	\$315
Under 13	\$ 575	\$315
Under 14	\$ 575	\$315
Under 16	\$ 575	\$315
Under 18	\$ 575	\$315
Middle School	\$ 525	n/a
Intermediate	\$ 650	n/a
Masters	\$ 650	n/a
Grand Masters	\$ 650	n/a
Great Grand Masters	\$ 650	n/a

### **B-6 Eligibility**

To be eligible to play in any competitive division of BNB, a player must meet the following requirements:

- a) be a New Brunswick resident as of January 1st of the current basketball season
- b) meet age limitations as of January 1st
- c) meet the requirements of the definition "Amateur"
- d) may not have played on a CIS University Team as of January 1<sup>st</sup> (see below)

#### Intermediate division eligibility:

- Intermediate teams may have a MAXIMUM of two players (total) who meet the following criteria:
  - o may have played on a CIS team after January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current playing season and has lived in NB for at least two consecutive years
  - o may have played on an NBL or NCAA D1 team after January 1<sup>st</sup> and attended a New Brunswick high school and/or University/College
- Teams who have 1 and/or 2 players who fit the aforementioned criteria will be subject to play in a higher division at BNB's discretion.

### **B-7 Provincial Playoffs**

a) All teams that register with Basketball New Brunswick will advance to a Provincial Championship Tournament if they choose.

b) All age class BNB Championships will be round robin format, (where possible). Adult Championships will be single elimination (where possible). Formats will be determined by BNB Provincial Championships Director.

c) Tournament schedules will be issued by BNB. These are not to be changed except by the Executive Director or the Provincial Championships Director.

d) Tournament site selections will be based on hosting application, number of tournaments allocated to one area, access to officials and cost of facilities. Every effort will be made to disperse sites throughout the province.

e) BNB will provide awards to Provincial Championship tournaments, as per Article B-13

f) The higher seed team is the home team. Should both teams have the same color uniforms, the home team will wear the pinnies.

g) The Home team will be listed second on the schedule.

h) Should a host lose money during a tournament, they may apply to BNB to recover a portion of their loss. Such application must be accompanied by a Tournament Financial Statement, and will have to be approved by the Board of Directors of BNB.

i) Requests for financial assistance for Provincial Tournaments must be submitted within seven days of the Tournament.

## **B-8 Rules of Play**

a) Officials - provincial championship games must have at least one "A" rated official (where possible.)

b) FIBA rules will be used with the following modifications for age-class/youth events:

1) The game shall be played in quarters (10 minutes each or as modified for lower levels) with a ten (10) minute halftime. Two (2) minutes shall precede any extra period, which shall be 5 minutes.

2) In all divisions (except U18 and U16) a team shall have ten seconds to move the ball to the front court.

3) In all divisions (except U18 and U16) a shot clock violation shall occur if the shot does not strike the rim or enter the basket within 30 seconds.

c) Under 11 Basketball Rule Modifications

Under 11 basketball will follow BNB-modified FIBA rules, with these exceptions:

1. Games shall be played in 4-on-4 format.

2. The basketball rim is 8 1/2 ft. (2.61m) from the floor.

3. The foul line is 13 ft. (4m) from the backboard.

4. The mini basketball (.6 - .73m in circumference) is used.

5. Games consist of 10 segments, each of which is 3 minutes long. Segments 1 thru 5 constitute the first half of the game, while segments 6 thru 10 constitute the second half. Stop time is played.

6. Teams are recommended to carry a minimum of 10 players on their rosters, and must play all players in attendance in each game, except for reason of illness, injury or discipline.

7. Penalty situation begins on a team's 8th foul of the half.

8. There is an interval of 5 minutes between the 5th and 6th segments (halftime) and an interval of 30 seconds between all other regulation segments.

9. Overtime periods shall be a duration of 3 minutes (stop time). There will be a 2-minute interval before the first overtime period and a 1-minute interval before all other overtime periods.

10. The game begins with a jump ball. The next held ball situation will be awarded at the nearest point to the team that did not gain possession from the jump ball. For the remainder of the game, held ball situations will continue to be awarded alternately out of bounds. A "center check" may be held at the beginning of each segment.

11. No player may participate in more than two (2) segments more than his/her teammates in the same game.

12. When a player enters a game segment, that player receives a "floor time check mark".

13. Players may ONLY be removed (subbed out) of a segment for reasons such as illness, injury, discipline or foul trouble. A player who has been removed from a segment may re-enter the SAME segment. This player will be considered to have participated in ONE segment, and will receive no additional "floor time check mark" for the re-entry. The player who was subbed into the game will also receive a floor time check mark. There are no playing time or substitution restrictions during overtime periods.

14. All players, except those fouled out or disqualified, are eligible to play in overtime periods. Rule #11 does not apply

15. There is NO three point field goal.

16. Screening of any kind is NOT permitted (including ball screens, area screens, and dribble weaves/handoffs).

17. Double-teaming an offensive player is NOT permitted, both while inboundng the ball and while the ball is in play, with the exception of inside the "Doubling Area". This area is considered to be inside the key and extended diagonally from the elbow to the corners of the baseline.

18. Zone defenses of any kind are NOT permitted (including "in the key", half-court, and full-court zone presses). In the half-court, this is an "in the key" call, intended to prevent a player (or players) from "plugging up the key", and guarding the basket rather than a player. When playing help side defense (on the weak side of the court) a player may have one foot on the basket-line, but must be adjusting their position in accordance with their offensive player. (Example: If the ball is on the wing and a player's check moves to the opposite baseline corner, the defensive player may continue to stay on help side with one foot on the basket-line. If the weak side offensive player moves to the top of the key, the defensive player would then adjust accordingly and the helpline would no longer be considered the basket-line.)

19. Proximity Rule - A defender must be within one (1) meter of the ball handler once the ball is below the top of the semi-circle extended (top of 3pt line).

20. When a team has established a 20 point lead, no full court defense is permitted. Once the trailing team has clear possession of the ball, the other team must retreat to centre court to play defense.

**NOTE:** Violations of Rules 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20 will be called at the DISCRETION OF THE OFFICIALS, who will consider the intent involved when making the call. A warning will be issued for a team's first violation in the game. All subsequent violations will be treated as follows:

- Offensive Violation (i.e., screening): An offensive violation of these rules (i.e., screening) will result in a turnover and the possession will be given to the defending team.
- Defensive Violation (i.e., double teaming/zone/pressing when up 20+): If the possession of the ball changes due to a defensive violation (i.e., double teaming/zone/pressing when up 20) the play will be called and the ball will be returned to the offensive team.
- Teams who are frequently and deliberately in violation of these rules will be penalized by awarding a technical foul to the coach.
- Coaches are encouraged to view the documentation about zones and double-teaming under the Provincial Championship tab and select "Rules and Guidelines" for further clarification.

20. The 30 second rule will be in effect during the last shift of the game and all overtime periods. The table officials will be responsible for the 30 second rule time count.

21. A team shall have 10 seconds to move the ball to the front court.

22. It is recommended that a team shall play no more than 18 games in a single season. Game play begins on November 1st and ends at the conclusion of BNB age class provincial tournaments. Non-guaranteed tournament games do not count against a team's game limit (i.e., cross-overs, finals, etc.).

**NOTE:** Teams will be monitored throughout the season via game reporting and communication with associations. Teams are expected to respect and adhere to the spirit of fair, ethical play. Any actions or behaviour deemed unfair or unethical will be reviewed by BNB and may be subject to disciplinary actions, which could include fines imposed on the team or association.

#### d) U12, U13, U14 and Middle School Rule Modifications

1. The ball will be size 6 for both boys and girls.
2. A backcourt violation will be 10 seconds in length.
3. A 30 second shot clock is in effect.
4. Teams must play half-court defence if they lead by 20 points or more.
5. Quarters will be 8 minutes in length.
6. Fair Play Participation rules will apply. Each player on the roster, provided they are not fouled out, ejected, or injured, must play at least 8 minutes of game time.
7. Fair Play is administered on the honour system during the game itself and not officially tracked by officials or minor officials.
8. Teams found to be repeatedly violating the spirit of the rules will be subject to discipline from BNB following our FairPlay Rules and Guidelines Procedure ([Click Here to for the FairPLay Rules](#))

9. The overtime period will be 5 minutes in length, Time-outs do not carry over to the overtime period, but each team will be granted 1 time-out per overtime period. Each overtime period begins in the direction of the possession arrow.
10. Teams may play any type of full court defense (unless up by 20 or more points).
11. Teams may not play any type of zone defense in the half court (once the ball has crossed half). Active double teaming is allowed
12. It is recommended that a team shall play no more than 24 games in a single season at U12 & U13 and 28 games at U14. Game play begins on November 1st and ends at the conclusion of BNB age class provincial tournaments. Non-guaranteed tournament games do not count against a team's game limit (i.e., cross-overs, finals, etc.).

e) Intermediate, Masters, Grand Masters and Great Grand Masters Rule Modifications

- 1) Intermediate will use an 8 second back court count. Masters, Grand Masters and Great Grand Masters shall have 10 seconds to move the ball to the front court
- 2) The shot clock will be 24 second for Intermediate and 30 seconds for other adult divisions.
- 3) Intentional Foul With Intent to Injure - Policy is below:

**BNB DISQUALIFYING FOUL POLICY-PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS (amended Dec 2010)**

There are a number of unsportsmanlike situations at BNB Provincials which may result in disciplinary consequences affecting subsequent games in the tournament.

**Disqualifying Technical Foul**

A player and/or head coach will be disqualified if he/she is assessed two technical fouls during a game. The head coach can also be disqualified for a combination of 3 technical fouls (personal + assessed to assistant or bench). If a player or coach is disqualified due to unsportsmanlike comments directed toward a referee or other participant, that player or coach will receive an automatic suspension for the next game in the event. If the coach of a youth team is disqualified and another adult is not available to coach the team for the remaining time in the game or in the next game, then the team will forfeit the game(s). The BNB requirement concerning coaching certification level is waived for the replacement coach.

**Disqualifying Foul – hard contact**

Intent OR potential to injure OR fighting/physical contact as part of an altercation: This is an offence that results in the player being ejected from the game by a referee. The player(s) will also receive an automatic suspension from the next game.

**Disqualifying Foul - physical contact with an official**

In the event of a player or coach making physical contact with a referee during a game, the player or coach will be suspended from the tournament and a game report will be forwarded to BNB for further disciplinary action. The player or coach will be given the opportunity to provide information to BNB prior to additional disciplinary action being taken.

**Verbal Abuse Following a Game**

If there is verbal abuse of game officials following a game, information concerning this unsportsmanlike behaviour should be sent to BNB as soon as possible following the event. It will be handled by a BNB Discipline Committee. It will not be penalized during the event.

**In all cases of disqualifying fouls, the immediate penalty is 2 shots + possession. In addition, the offending player or coach will have an automatic suspension for the next game.**

If any situation occurs which is not specifically addressed in this policy, the incident should be documented and brought to the attention of the BNB Executive Director as soon as possible following the tournament by the game officials and tournament manager.

**Note:** Players who accumulate 5 fouls during a game are fouled out but not considered disqualified and are not part of this policy.

## B-9 Tie Breaking Procedure

In the event of a tie, division standings will be decided according to the following priorities:

- 1) In the event two teams have the same number of points in the placings (based on win/loss records), the classification will be established taking into account only the result of the game between the two teams involved.
- 2) If more than two teams have equal points in the placings (based on win/loss records), a second classification will be established taking into account only the results of the games between the teams involved.
- 3) If the situation is not resolved and teams have equal points in the placings after the second classification, then "goal average" - taking into account only the results of the games between the teams involved - will be used to determine the classification.
- 4). If it is not finally resolved, the classification will be determined by "goal average", taking into account all the results of the games from the group in question.

NOTE: "Goal average" = points for, divided by points against. The highest quotient is the winner.

## B-10 Length of Game & Ball Size

<b>DIVISION</b>	<b>GAME LENGTH</b>	<b>BACK COURT</b>	<b>SHOT CLOCK</b>	<b>BASKETBALL SIZE</b>
Wheelchair	10 minute quarters			Size 7 (29.5")
Grand Masters	10 minute quarters	10 Seconds	30 Seconds	Size 7 (29.5")
Masters Men	10 minute quarters	10 Seconds	30 Seconds	Size 7 (29.5")
Masters Women	10 minute quarters	10 Seconds	30 Seconds	Size 6 (28.5")
Intermediate Men	10 minute quarters	8 Seconds	24 Seconds	Size 7 (29.5")
Intermediate Women	10 minute quarters	8 Seconds	24 Seconds	Size 6 (28.5")
U18 Boys	10 minute quarters	8 Seconds	24 Seconds	Size 7 (29.5")
U18 Girls	10 minute quarters	8 Seconds	24 Seconds	Size 6 (28.5")
U16 Boys	10 minute quarters	8 Seconds	24 Seconds	Size 7 (29.5")
U16 Girls	10 minute quarters	8 Seconds	24 Seconds	Size 6 (28.5")
Middle School Boys	8 minute quarters	10 Seconds	30 Seconds	Size 6 (28.5")
Middle School Girls	8 minute quarters	10 Seconds	30 Seconds	Size 6 (28.5")
U14 Boys	8 minute quarters	10 Seconds	30 Seconds	Size 6 (28.5")
U14 Girls	8 minute quarters	10 Seconds	30 Seconds	Size 6 (28.5")
U13 Boys	8 minute quarters	10 Seconds	30 Seconds	Size 6 (28.5")
U13 Girls	8 minute quarters	10 Seconds	30 Seconds	Size 6 (28.5")
U12 Boys	8 minute quarters	10 Seconds	30 Seconds	Size 6 (28.5")
U12 Girls	8 minute quarters	10 Seconds	30 Seconds	Size 6 (28.5")
U11 Boys	10 x 3 min segments	10 Seconds	30 Seconds*	Size 5 (27.5")
U11 Girls	10 x 3 min segments	10 Seconds	30 Seconds*	Size 5 (27.5")

\*See Section B-8c) for clarification

## B-11 Tournament Format - BNB Championships

All Age Class and Middle School Championship tournaments will be round robin (where possible). Intermediate, Masters and Grand Masters will be single elimination (where possible).

Note: Seeding is done by the BNB Provincial Championships Director (or designate) and the final schedule is issued by the Basketball New Brunswick office.

## **B-12 Responsibility of a Tournament Host – see "Tournament Guide" for additional info.**

### Pre-Tournament

#### Information Package

Upon confirmation of hosting privileges, a list of all registered teams and the tournament schedule will be forwarded by the BNB Executive Director. Each host must forward the preliminary information to all teams as soon as possible. The package should include:

Tournament site

A list of area motels, including phone numbers and team rates

A map to assist in locating the gym, motel and restaurants

A request for team lists, uniform numbers and colours

A reminder that teams should bring birth certificates

Any special information concerning the tournament (ie-Teams not to bring balls, etc.)

### Tournament

- Officials
- Equipment
- Publicity
- Hospitality - mandatory for Intermediate, Masters, Grand Masters and Great Grand Masters.

### Post-Tournament

- Publicity
- Report

## **B-13 Awards**

Basketball New Brunswick provides medals for first, second and third place teams in all Age Class divisions. "Provincial Champion" banners will be awarded to the first place teams in each division at the U12, U13, U14, middle school, U16 and U18 levels.

First place awards are provided for Intermediate, Masters, Grand Masters and Great Grand Masters divisions.

Awards will be forwarded by the Executive Director the week before the tournament.

Number of medals provided:

Youth - 15

Adult- 12

Player of the Game Certificates may also be provided but their use is optional.

The tournament host may provide awards for MVP and All-Star team members, if desired.

## **B-14 Seeding and Schedule**

Seeding and schedules are issued by BNB, and may not be modified by the host, etc.

## **B-15 Officials**

All referees for all games in provincial tournaments are to be rated officials, with at least one "A" official in each game, where possible. These are available through the AABO area assigner, who should be contacted at least 2 weeks prior to the tournament. Zone Assigners can be found on the NBAABO web site.

Minor officials (timer and scorers) are a very important part of any tournament and it is imperative that they be competent. It is advisable to use mature workers, who are well practiced at this operation. The host should review procedures with the minor officials. It is also helpful to permit only those people at the table, as this will cut down on distractions and resultant errors caused by a crowd. Cell phones and other electronic devices are not permitted at the score table during a game.

## **B-16 Equipment and Facilities**

A complete facility safety check must be carried out prior to the tournament. The host must provide a safe environment for all competitors, coaches and spectators.

Tournament hosts are responsible for supplying warm-up balls, leather game balls, a first aid kit and a set of pinnies to be used when the opposing teams wear the same color uniforms.

A shot clock should be used for all categories except Under 11. In Under 11, the table official will be responsible for the shot clock time count.

A large poster in a conspicuous place detailing the tournament format is also of help to spectators and coaches.

## **B-17 Admission Fees**

The maximum admission fees that can be charged at any Provincial Championship Tournament are:

Adults:	\$3.00 per day
Students:	\$2.00 per day
Children under 12	Free

## **B-18 Hospitality**

This is an important item, often overlooked by inexperienced organizers. However, a minimum of effort on the part of a couple of volunteers, can add a great deal to the quality of the tournament. Many things may be done to contribute to the hospitality of a successful tournament, such as:

- Oranges cut in slices for each team at half time of each game.
- Programs listing team members and uniform numbers.
- Canteen
- Door prizes
- Players' kits (many local business people are willing to contribute free products or samples)
  
- Intermediate, Masters, Grand Masters and Great Grand Masters Tournaments must have a hospitality evening for all players on Saturday night.

## **B-19 Weather Uncertainty**

In the case of weather uncertainty, the following policies will come into effect:

BNB will suspend provincial championships if the facilities involved in these competitions are closed by their district's superintendent. No games or tournaments are allowed to be played if the facilities involved are closed by the superintendent of their districts.

BNB will suspend provincial championships if weather uncertainty indicates potential for unsafe driving conditions on the required day of travel for teams. In the event of poor weather, BNB will contact the host manager immediately (either the night before or morning of planned travel) and will work with the host manager to contact all teams by both e-mail and phone.

In the event of the cancellation or postponement of any or all games of a provincial championship tournament, BNB will work in conjunction with all teams involved and the tournament host to prepare an alternate schedule. This schedule would come into effect if games and/or the event are postponed. This may consist of an abbreviated schedule, should the event be able to be played on the second day of the originally scheduled weekend. If this is not a reasonable or safe alternative, then the event and or games within the event shall be postponed and rescheduled at a date(s) and location(s) to be determined by BNB.

## B-20 Report

Within 7 days of the completion of the tournament, the host should complete and send the tournament report to BNB's Executive Director. Any requests for additional funding must be made at this time.

## B-21 Tournament Expenses

- BNB will pay the cost of game officials and their travel.
- Minor officials are only paid at the Intermediate, Masters, Grand Masters and Great Grand Masters level.
- BNB will cover a maximum of \$400 for facility/custodial costs. Any expenses being requested that are over this budget must be approved at the spring Board of Directors meeting.

## B-22 Divisions

- All age-class and middle school teams will be ranked and placed into divisions 1, 2, 3.....
- All Age Class divisional assignments are based on scores reported to BNB by the score reporting deadline. This deadline will be announced on the BNB web site prior to the registration deadline. Community size/membership numbers/school population will also be taken into consideration when placing teams in divisions.
- The Provincial Championship Director and the Executive Director have the responsibility of placing teams into the appropriate divisions.

## B-23 Seeding

Age Class and Middle School -

Complete seeding of all teams in each division is a very difficult process because a number of teams do not compete against other teams in the same division. The Provincial Championships Director makes every effort to separate the top two teams. Teams are also divided based on their location so teams that usually play each other are given an opportunity to compete against other teams, where possible.

Intermediate, Masters, Grand Masters and Great Grand Masters -

Seeding for these divisions is done with consideration to season game results, team rosters and performance at the previous Provincial Championships.

## B-24 Tournament Format

Age Class and Middle School:

The optimal number of teams in each tournament is six, but this is dependent on the number of teams that register. Tournaments will be played in a round robin format, where possible.

Intermediate, Masters, Grand Masters and Great Grand Masters

The optimal number of teams in each division is eight, but this is dependent on the number of teams that register. Tournaments will be played in a single elimination/consolation format.

Eight teams	Two division round robin with the top two from each division playing off.	1 <sup>st</sup> place - A1 vs B1 3 <sup>rd</sup> place - A2 vs B2	14 games
Seven teams	Two division round robin with finals.	1 <sup>st</sup> place – A1 vs B1 3 <sup>rd</sup> place – A2 vs B2 5 <sup>th</sup> place – A3 vs B3	12 games
Six teams	Two division round robin with crossovers.	1 <sup>st</sup> place – crossover winners 3 <sup>rd</sup> place – crossover losers	11 games



		5 <sup>th</sup> place – A3 vs B3	
Five teams	Round robin – no final.	1 <sup>st</sup> place – best record 2 <sup>nd</sup> place – second best record 3 <sup>rd</sup> place – third best record	10 games
Four teams	Round robin – with playoff game.	1 <sup>st</sup> place – winner playoff game	7 games
Three teams	Double round robin	1 <sup>st</sup> place – best record 2 <sup>nd</sup> place – second best record 3 <sup>rd</sup> place – third best record	6 games
Two teams	Home and Home Total Point	1 <sup>st</sup> place – best record	2 games

## **AWARDS**

### **Fairplay**

As a part of an ongoing commitment to Fair Play and Sportsmanship, Basketball New Brunswick sponsors a Fair Play Award for each of the four NBIAA Senior High School Basketball Divisions. These banners, awarded to teams who best exemplify Sportsmanship and Fair Play, are presented at the Final 12 Tournament.

To help ensure that deserving recipients are selected, teams are nominated by coaches of opposing teams.

Items that are considered when selecting teams are:

- Sportsmanship displayed toward opponents, both on and off the court
- Respect for officials and scorekeepers
- Respect for opponents during games
- Treatment of facilities, changing rooms and equipment

### **Service Awards**

Each year BNB presents service awards during an annual Awards Evening. The awards are designed to recognize and pay tribute to long and outstanding service to the game of basketball in New Brunswick.

Basketball Service Awards are divided into three classifications, with a maximum of two recipients per year for each award. They are:

#### **EXECUTIVE/OFFICIALS AWARD**

Open to any basketball official, executive of Basketball New Brunswick, or executive of any basketball organization, association, or league within New Brunswick, both past and present.

#### **COACHES AWARD**

Open to any basketball coach in New Brunswick, both past and present.

#### **SPECIAL MERIT AWARD**

Open to any individual whose contribution to basketball is not covered by the above awards, or they fall into more than one of the above categories.

#### **UP & COMING COACH**

Presented to someone who is under the age of 30 and has already begun to contribute to the basketball community as a coach in a substantial way.

#### **VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD**

Presented annually to someone who has given many extra hours to the sport of basketball, at both minor association and BNB events that are run each year.

The main consideration for all awards is the length of service and the quality of service.

Nominations for the Basketball Service Awards are submitted by any individual or group in June. The awards committee selects the award winners in early July.

### **Honorary Life Members**

From time to time, BNB may select distinguished individuals that have made outstanding contributions to the sport of basketball to be an honorary life member of the association.

## **SAFE SPORT POLICIES**

For the following policies, please visit the BNB web site at [www.basketball.nb.ca](http://www.basketball.nb.ca):

Abuse Policy  
Anti-Doping Policy  
Appeal Policy  
Athlete Protection Guidelines  
Cannabis Policy  
Code of Conduct and Ethics  
Concussion Policy  
Confidentiality Policy  
Conflict of Interest Policy  
Discipline and Complaints Policy  
Dispute Resolution Policy  
Equity and Inclusion Policy  
Event Discipline Policy  
Investigations Policy  
Risk Management Policy  
Safe Sport Policy  
Screening Policy  
Social Media Policy  
Trans Inclusion Policy  
Whistleblower Policy  
Workplace Harassment Policy

As members of Canada Basketball, members of Basketball New Brunswick are also required to abide by the [Universal Code of Conduct to prevent and address maltreatment in Sport](#). (Canada Basketball UCCMS). More information on the UCCMS and the New Brunswick Safe Sport Dispute Resolution Process used to address complaints related to maltreatment are available on our [Safe Sport page](#).