

BASKETBALL RULES

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All rules are as per the FIBA Official Basketball Rules document with some minor amendments. In many cases, these amendments have been made to assist in the enjoyment of the Loftus social competition. Please read on for clarification of these as they apply to the competition at Loftus.

The areas where Loftus basketball rules differ from the FIBA official rules are as follows:

TIME-WASTING

- In the social competition, in place of a shot clock, the referee has discretion to intervene when he or she perceives a team to be behaving in a manner they consider to be 'time-wasting'. In the instance where a referee observes such time-wasting, they must loudly and clearly call out "10 seconds to shoot", after which they must verbally count down from 10 seconds, loud enough for the team to hear. Should a team fail to shoot within this time, the whistle is to be blown and the ball awarded to the other team to resume play from sideline throw-in.

RESTRICTED AREA

- In the absence of Restricted Area/No-charge semicircles in the keyway, the application of a no-charge rule is at the referee's discretion. This is to limit the incidences of collisions, and provide some protections to an offensive player.

MIXED GAMES

- In Mixed Basketball, a team may not have more than three (3) male players on the court at one time.
- Male players are not permitted to block a shot from a female player. In the instance of a block or attempted block by a male on a female player, the female player will be awarded two (2) points if the shot did not result in a score.

UNIFORMS

- Teams are required to wear tops of the same colour, with each top numbered 0 to 99. Teams must not have double-ups of the same number. Where a team is found to violate the uniform rule, 2 (two) points per violating player will be awarded to the other team.
- Shorts may differ in colour

GAME FEES

- Payments must be made to front reception prior to the start of your game. A receipt will be given as proof of payment for the referee, who may commence the game once both payments have been made.

A full list of FIBA rules can be found via the FIBA website [here](#)

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