

# FIBA EUROPE COMPETITIONS REGULATIONS



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### **IMPORTANT**

As the final text of the Competitions Regulations of FIBA Europe shall be approved by the Board of FIBA Europe and subsequently submitted for final approval to the FIBA Executive Committee, changes, additions and deletions could be implemented at any time.

All such changes, additions and deletions are published on **[www.fiba.basketball/europe/downloads](http://www.fiba.basketball/europe/downloads)**.

## **CHAPTER I: THE COMPETITIONS OF FIBA EUROPE**

### **1. FILING OF CANDIDATURES**

FIBA Europe has the delegated authority by FIBA to organise or to have organised, to sanction and to control basketball competitions within Europe.

The Board of FIBA Europe establishes the technical and financial Regulations.

In general, all competitions are organised by the National Federation of the country where FIBA Europe is holding the competition. For all competitions, FIBA Europe will issue a guide to candidates and/or specific guidelines for the respective competition. All conditions indicated in these documents shall be scrupulously observed. Candidatures that do not satisfy the conditions shall be disregarded.

Any candidature for the organisation of official competitions of FIBA Europe must be submitted to FIBA Europe through the National Federation of the candidate within the time limits provided for in the Regulations of the competition concerned.

FIBA Europe must receive the candidature at least three months prior to the meeting which shall decide on the acceptance of the candidature or by the deadline given by the Offices of FIBA Europe.

### **2. TERMS OF ENGAGEMENT**

In presenting its candidature, the candidate must give the absolute guarantee that all teams and officials having the right to participate shall actually find it possible to enter the country organising the competition (granting of visas, travel documents, etc.). Depending on the competition, a candidate shall ensure the production of a television signal for international broadcast and provide the necessary equipment for world-wide broadcast of the competition by television, radio and online according to candidature obligations. Details are available from the office of FIBA Europe or through respective competition manuals.

If the Regulations of the competitions do not specify otherwise, the following details must be clearly indicated by the candidate:

- Date and place of the competition
- Conditions of lodging
- Financial conditions
- Means of transportation and distances to be travelled within the country
- Game and practice arena(s)

The candidate must give all guarantees concerning the technical equipment (see Art. 19) and the facilities in the hall(s) where the competition will take place.

Once the candidature has been accepted by the Board of FIBA Europe, any change to the terms of engagement must be accepted by FIBA Europe. Should these terms be violated, FIBA Europe shall have the right to revoke the assignment of the organisation while fully reserving the right to impose disciplinary and financial sanctions on the organisers and to assign the competition to another National Federation who will undertake to respect these terms of engagement.

### **3. RENUNCIATION OF MANDATE**

Organisers who renounce their assignment shall be subject to disciplinary and financial sanctions by FIBA Europe.

### **4. LEGAL PROVISIONS**

#### **4.1. General Principles**

The agreement to organise a competition of FIBA Europe constitutes a contract between FIBA Europe and the organiser. This principle shall apply to all international competitions.

#### **4.2. Duties of FIBA Europe**

FIBA Europe must do all in its power to see that a competition organised under its auspices will be successfully carried out and that FIBA Europe is represented by competent persons, maintaining absolute impartiality. FIBA Europe is obliged to assist the organisers by every means at its disposal. However, FIBA Europe may demand of the organisers the reimbursement of expenses caused by its action.

### 4.3. FIBA Europe Security Adviser

The organisers have the ultimate responsibility regarding security matters during official FIBA Europe events.

However, FIBA Europe retains the right to check the organisers' proposals for the security for the event and give the necessary input through the FIBA Europe Security Adviser.

In particular, the organisers in collaboration with the FIBA Europe Security Adviser shall be responsible for assuring the security of the following people:

1. The participating teams
2. The participating officials
3. The fans, team supporters and VIP's
4. The attending FIBA staff
5. The attending media representatives

In general, the above shall be also responsible for assuring the security of the following:

1. The transport of teams, officials, etc.
2. The playing facilities
3. The hotels hosting the teams, officials, etc.
4. All offices
5. Others

FIBA Europe, after consultation with the FIBA Europe Security Adviser, shall take - or direct the Organisers to take - any measures appropriate in order to safeguard the safety of the players, officials and fans, including without limitation to decide the postponement, relocation or even cancellation of part or the entirety of the competition.

### 4.4. Duties of the Organisers

The organisers are obliged to respect the general provisions of these Regulations, the relevant FIBA Internal Regulations as well as the specific guidelines for the respective competition. In particular, they must ensure that all qualified teams that are to take part in the event can actually do so and that visas for entry into the country are issued in good time. These provisions are also valid for the invited teams for events that are not of an official nature.

In case of violation of these provisions, FIBA Europe shall withdraw its patronage and the title involved. It may also apply disciplinary sanctions to the organisation(s) at fault and impose fines. The appropriate body of FIBA Europe shall make such decisions as required and its decisions shall have immediate effect. Nevertheless, these decisions must be brought to the attention of and submitted for approval to the Board of FIBA Europe at its next session.

### 4.5. Duties of the Participating Teams (National Federations)

Teams taking part in an official competition of FIBA Europe must respect the general provisions of these Regulations, the relevant FIBA Internal Regulations, including, without limitation, the FIBA Code of Conduct (Book 1, Chapter 5) as well as the specific guidelines and Regulations for the respective competition. They must be present at the site of the competition in due time and must cooperate at all times with the organisers and representatives of FIBA Europe.

A team that has accepted an invitation to take part in an official competition of FIBA Europe shall be obliged to take part, otherwise the team will be subject to a financial and/or disciplinary sanction.

In case of any violation of these provisions, the appropriate body of FIBA Europe shall apply such sanctions as are required. The decision shall be communicated to the National Federation. Where the circumstances allow, the National Federation shall be allowed to provide its position.

In particular, teams participating in an official competition of FIBA Europe may not under any circumstances:

1. Refuse to play a game or leave the playing area before the end of a game
2. Refuse to participate in or leave before the end of the opening ceremony and/or the closing ceremony, and/or
3. Behave incorrectly (or make insulting remarks), thus disrupting the smooth running of the competition, official functions or ceremonies.

In case of any violation of these provisions, in addition to the provisions set out in the Official Basketball Rules, the appropriate body of FIBA Europe may apply the following additional sanctions:

1. Immediate disqualification from the current competition and disqualification of the team in question from all FIBA Europe competitions for at least one year and
2. A fine of EUR 40,000 minimum and EUR 80,000 maximum.

Cases not provided for in these Regulations (such as provocative gestures, not attending the post-game press conference, etc.) shall be judged based on their own merits.

#### 4.6. Duties of the Local Organising Committee (LOC)

The LOC has the duty to take all measures that it may deem necessary for the success of the event. However, such measures shall be subject to approval by the Board of FIBA Europe. Furthermore, the LOC must work closely and efficiently with all official FIBA Europe bodies responsible for following the organisation of the event.

The LOC shall ensure that all participating teams are treated in the same way and that all enjoy equal rights. Special requests by any of the participating teams shall be forwarded to FIBA Europe for approval.

The LOC is entitled to rely on the closest cooperation from the official bodies of FIBA Europe and also from the participating teams and their National Federations.

#### 4.7. Competence of FIBA Europe

FIBA Europe shall be competent to make any decision, including without limitation imposing sanctions, restricting the participation in or removing teams from any of the competitions listed in Chapter II of these Regulations, cancelling, relocating or postponing any of such competitions or playing games behind closed doors, whenever a conflict or an issue arises that, in FIBA's and FIBA Europe's discretion, could reasonably jeopardise the reputation of FIBA, FIBA Europe, the sport of basketball, the integrity or the successful staging of any of these competition or the health, safety and/or security of the participants.

In the event a decision is made to play any game(s) behind closed doors, the relevant provisions of the FIBA Internal Regulations.

### 5. INSURANCE OF PARTICIPANTS IN OFFICIAL COMPETITIONS OF FIBA EUROPE

#### 5.1. Responsibilities of FIBA Europe

FIBA Europe shall insure the following persons appointed by FIBA Europe against accidents and injuries during official competitions that are organised under its auspices:

1. The international referees
2. The FIBA Commissioners or FIBA Technical Delegates
3. The Referees Instructors
4. The supervisory doctor
5. The official representatives of FIBA Europe present at the competition

#### 5.2. Responsibilities of the Organisers

The organisers are obliged to ensure medical care at the venue for all participants (players, coaches, referees and officials) and spectators. This medical care is at the expense of the organisers for all accidents that may occur during any local transportation arranged by them. The organisers must carry civil responsibility (third party liability) for all accidents which are due to poor organisation, in particular, but not limited to, faulty fittings, equipment and stands, security within the precincts of the game and, in general, all material organisations for which the organisers are responsible.

#### 5.3. Duties of Clubs or National Federations

The National Federations whose teams participate in an official competition must insure all members of their delegation against:

1. Accidents which may occur during travel to and from the location of the competition
2. Accidents which may occur during the competition and for which the organisers are not responsible, and to the extent not already covered above, injury or illness.

Furthermore, National Federations who participate in any main official competition of FIBA Europe, must insure the participating players' (existing) ANNUAL contracts, against bodily injuries caused by accident giving rise to Temporary Total Disablement, that might occur during the period of involvement of the players with the national team, unless this is done by FIBA Europe.

### 6. FINANCIAL PROVISIONS

The organisers of an official competition of FIBA Europe shall be obliged to respect the financial provisions for the competition in question. FIBA Europe is the sole holder of broadcasting, licensing, retail, marketing, sponsorship, media, gaming, data (including data gathered through wearable technology) and equipment rights, and other rights associated with the game now existing, or yet to be developed for the Competitions of FIBA Europe. It reserves the right to negotiate and sign television and marketing contracts for all international competitions designated by the Board of FIBA Europe. FIBA Europe, as a rule, will not exploit these rights itself but will assign them to an entity designated by FIBA Europe.

The terms of these contracts must be respected in their entirety by the National Federation who is in charge of the competition.

**Note:** For the FIBA Small Countries European Championships and the European Youth Championships, FIBA Europe subsidises the organising National Federation.

Please refer to the appropriate section of these Regulations.



## 6.1. Obligations of the Organisers

6.1.1 The organisers of an international competition shall be obliged to respect the financial provisions applying to each competition. All fees and dues owed to FIBA Europe must be paid in full, i.e. without any deductions (bank charges, etc.) in Euro (€) within the deadlines given to:

UniCredit Bank AG Munich

Account number: 658 505 238

Bank code: 700 202 70

IBAN: DE 79 7002 0270 0658 5052 38

Swift address: HY VE DE MM

6.1.2 For all other payments provided in these Regulations, the organisers shall be obliged to respect the following provisions:

6.1.3 To reimburse travel expenses and staying expenses for officials nominated by FIBA Europe (i.e. FIBA Europe representatives, judges, commissioners, technical delegates, referees, referee instructors and the supervisory doctor for doping control) the payment must be made in Euro (€).

6.1.4 Furthermore, the organisers shall pay for all referees, referee instructors and commissioners the fees and allowances provided for in the Regulations governing referees, referee instructors, technical delegates and commissioners of FIBA Europe. The organisers shall also pay the supervisory doctors the allowances provided for in the FIBA Internal Regulations governing doping control. All fees and dues owed to the officials **must** be paid via bank transfer in full, i.e. without any deductions (bank charges etc.).

6.1.5 To cover the staying expenses of FIBA Europe staff and official representatives appointed by FIBA Europe.

6.1.6 To cover the expenses for full board and lodging for all official participants in the competition. Lodging must be provided under conditions ensuring comfort and modern sanitation.

6.1.7 All event-related hotels (official FIBA Europe hotel, team hotels, media hotels, etc.) must be approved by FIBA Europe. It is strongly recommended that the FIBA Europe Officials (referees, referee instructors, commissioners and/or technical delegates etc.) and the FIBA Europe Representatives be accommodated in a different hotel to that of the teams.

6.1.8 To cover all organising expenses (rental of arenas, taxes, provision of statistics and graphics for television, services provided for the media, etc.).

6.1.9 To cover the expenses for the transportation of teams to and from their accommodation to the competition venues (see also 6.2.1. below). This provision shall apply to training sessions, official competitions and to any event to which the teams may be officially invited.

6.1.10 To cover the expenses for the local transportation of the FIBA Europe representatives, staff, judges, commissioners, technical delegates, referees, referee instructors and supervisory doctor for doping control.

6.1.11 To cover all costs related to the necessary ICT infrastructure (network, internet connection, etc.), the Event Information System (Statistics, TV Graphics, etc.) and the Accreditation System as defined in the respective "Event Manual" and "FIBA Europe ICT Manual".

6.1.12 To cover all costs related to the necessary medical equipment for the first aid room, ambulance services, and the doping-control room (defibrillator, resuscitative equipment etc.), and personnel (chaperones, local medical doctors) as defined in the respective "Medical Care and Anti-Doping Guide" and FIBA Internal Regulations governing doping control.

6.1.13 To cover all costs related to customs clearance and all costs related to any shipment from FIBA Europe (if any). The organisers must also provide FIBA Europe with all the necessary information and/or documentation for the customs clearance. Any costs relating to missing information or incomplete information/documentation shall be charged to the organisers.

## 6.2. Obligations of Teams

6.2.1 The participating teams will cover their own travel expenses to and from the town (if by land) or to the closest international airport to the venue of the competition. The international airport must offer multiple regular connections across Europe to qualify as such.

6.2.2 Those responsible for the participating teams are required to facilitate the task of the organisers by avoiding unnecessary expenses.

6.2.3 The participating teams must strictly follow the FIBA Europe "Emergency Action Plan" in case of medical or other emergencies and cooperate fully with the LOC, FIBA Europe commissioner or technical delegate and FIBA Europe representative.

## **7. PARTICIPATION**

### **7.1. Participation in Official Competitions**

Only qualified teams may take part in FIBA Europe official competitions. In exceptional cases, FIBA Europe may invite non qualified teams to participate or teams whose National Federation is suspended or no longer a member but have received special approval by the FIBA Central Board to play in one or more under-age competitions.

### **7.2. Deadlines for Registration**

The teams taking part in an official competition of FIBA Europe shall be obliged to respect the deadlines set for the preliminary and final entries provided in the Regulations applying to the competition.

### **7.3. Forfeits**

If, after having sent its final entry, a team should cancel its participation or should fail to appear on time at the competition, FIBA Europe shall have the right to impose sanctions on the parties at fault. These sanctions may be of a disciplinary and/or financial nature.

Part of the fine may be paid as compensation to the organisers in the event of any financial loss.

### **7.4. Cooperation with the Organisers and FIBA Europe**

Participating teams shall closely cooperate with the organisers and FIBA Europe in order to assure the technical and financial success of the event. In particular, they should supply in advance the photographs and personal data of the players and all information as required by the organisers and/or FIBA Europe.

## **8. ELIGIBILITY OF PLAYERS**

The National Federation is responsible **at all times** for the eligibility of its players registered to play in an official competition of FIBA. The eligibility of players for national or club teams **must** conform to the FIBA Internal Regulations governing Eligibility, National Status and Availability of Players (Book 3, Chapter 1).

All transfers of players **must** be made according to the Regulations of the competent National Federation or, as the case may be, of the National Federations involved and according to the FIBA Internal Regulations governing International Transfer of Players.

## **9. FLAGS AND NATIONAL ANTHEMS**

During FIBA Europe official competitions, only the official flags and anthems of the countries or affiliated National Federations approved and recognised by FIBA may be used.

At the site of the competition and its surroundings, the flag of FIBA and the flags of the countries or National Federations whose teams take part in the competition shall be raised.

The organiser shall ensure that the flags of the teams taking part in the competition are placed in a manner that will be equal for all. The flags shall be hung in alphabetical order according to the English language.

For all games, the national anthems of the two teams shall be played.

## **10. TICKETS, ACCREDITATIONS AND VIP AREAS**

The organiser must provide FIBA Europe with complimentary VIP and first category seats. The number of tickets shall be a subject to the hosting contract of the relevant event.

All complimentary tickets shall be located in a central position. The exact location shall be approved by FIBA Europe.

The VIP area(s) (hospitality) must be organised near to the VIP seats. The organiser must provide the catering and the required installations according to the standards set by FIBA Europe.

If not provided by FIBA Europe, the system of accreditation as well as the list of those receiving accreditation **must be approved by FIBA Europe**. A participating national delegation is entitled to a maximum of twenty-seven (27) official accreditations. (See Article 16).

## **11. PARTICIPANTS' TRIBUNE**

A sufficient number of seats must be reserved in a special tribune for the players, coaches and other officials of the participating teams.

A separate tribune with designated seats for the referees, commissioners and instructors must be allocated in agreement with FIBA Europe.

## 12. OPENING CEREMONY

At all main official competitions of FIBA Europe, an official opening ceremony may be organised. The organisers shall arrange the ceremony in agreement with FIBA Europe.

The ceremony shall begin with a short programme of not more than fifteen (15) minutes. Following this, the national flag of each participating country shall be carried onto the court.

This part of the ceremony is followed by two short speeches lasting approximately 30 seconds each and the competition is declared open.

The anthem of the organising country is then played. The opening ceremony shall end with all flag bearers leaving the court.

The timing of the ceremony must be planned to allow a proper warm-up period of twenty (20) minutes to the teams in the game following the ceremony.

In addition to the short Opening Ceremony, the organiser can (but is not obliged to) arrange an inauguration on the day before the championship.

It is not obligatory that all teams attend the Opening Ceremony. In case teams want to attend, the organiser must provide transportation and must make sure that the involvement of players is limited to sixty (60) minutes.

## 13. CLOSING CEREMONY

The closing ceremony shall take place at the main game arena immediately after the last game.

In the centre of the court in front of the tribune of honour there shall be three podiums, each long and wide enough for a minimum of twenty-one (21) persons to stand side-by-side. The podium for the team placed first shall be the highest and positioned in the middle, the podium for the team placed second shall be lower and positioned to the left of the central podium, and that for the team placed third shall be the lowest and positioned to the right of the central podium.

The front of the podium **must** have the following:

- a. Event logo
- b. Name of the event

The layout of the podium and the schedule of the ceremony **must** be approved by FIBA Europe.

Each team shall line-up alongside its captain ready to step up onto the podium reserved for it. After the individual awards have been announced, the team placed third shall mount the podium reserved for the team placed third. The representative of FIBA Europe shall present a minimum of twenty-five (25) medals to the members of the team including coaches. The teams placed second and first shall be presented with their medals in the same way.

The anthem of the winning team shall then be played, following which the winning team shall receive the Champion's trophy (if applicable) and then the teams shall leave the court and the closing ceremony shall end.

At closing ceremony, only trophies approved by FIBA Europe may be awarded on the court.

FIBA Europe reserves the right to make changes to the ceremony as described in this article should circumstances require it.

## 14. PRIZES

### 14.1. National Team Competitions

#### 14.2. The organisers shall provide the following prizes:

1. Gold medals for the players and coaches of the team placed first.
2. Silver medals for the players and coaches of the team placed second.
3. Bronze medals for the players and coaches of the team placed third.
4. Two (2) sets of all the above medals for FIBA Europe.

The only other prizes for the players shall be:

- Five (5) All-Star Five Awards
- One (1) Most Valuable Player (MVP Award)

**Note 1:** All prizes are subject to prior approval by FIBA Europe. FIBA Europe will provide the trophy for the champion as well as the All-Star Five Awards and the MVP Award.

**Note 2:** For European Youth Championships and Small Countries Championships for Men and Women, please refer to the "Youth and Small Countries Event Manual".

### 14.3. Club Competitions

Please refer to the respective Competition "Event Manual".

## **15. PROVISIONS ON PROTOCOL**

### **15.1. Order of Precedence**

Whenever official FIBA Europe competitions are held, the representative of FIBA Europe shall rank immediately after the highest authority of the host country.

The order of precedence for members of FIBA Europe shall be as follows:

1. The President
2. The Executive Director
3. The three (3) Vice-Presidents
4. The Treasurer
5. The members of the Board of FIBA Europe
6. The Presidents and Secretary Generals of the participating National Federations
7. The honorary members of FIBA Europe and FIBA
8. The Chairpersons of the Commissions of FIBA Europe and Commissions of FIBA

## **16. COMPOSITION OF NATIONAL DELEGATIONS**

For FIBA EuroBasket and FIBA Women's EuroBasket Final Rounds a delegation (team) shall be made up of nineteen (19) persons, including the referee. (See also Articles 33.1 and 48.1)

Should a National Federation wish to send a more numerous delegation, it must assume all additional expenses. Under these conditions, the delegation may be made up of a maximum of twenty-seven (27) persons including the President and the Secretary General of the National Federation.

## **17. TECHNICAL PROVISIONS**

### **17.1. Draw**

The date, location and procedure for the draw of a specific Competition shall be decided by FIBA Europe in accordance with the following provisions:

- a. Unless otherwise decided in exceptional circumstances, the draw should take place as soon as reasonably possible but not earlier than seventy-two (72) hours after the deadline for registration of teams;
- b. The draw shall be held in a venue decided by FIBA Europe after consultation with the Host, whether in the host country or in another location;
- c. The involved National Member Federations must be informed by FIBA Europe of the date and the place of the draw at least fifteen (15) days in advance of the draw;
- d. In principle, seeding method for the draw for all national team competitions of FIBA Europe shall be based on the Official FIBA Ranking, unless decided otherwise by the Board of FIBA Europe.

### **17.2. Technical Committee**

A Technical Committee shall operate during each main official competition or tournament of FIBA Europe. This committee shall consist of three (3) persons, namely the FIBA Executive Director Europe or his representative, a delegate of the organising federation, a third member selected by them and an alternate appointed by the FIBA Executive Director Europe or his representative. If the games are played in different towns, there shall be an equivalent number of Technical Committees.

The functions of the Technical Committee are as follows:

- Supervision and approval of playing facilities and of the technical equipment provided for in the Basketball Equipment Appendix to the Official Basketball Rules.
- Particularly during the final phases of the competition, determining eventual changes to the playing schedule according to specific needs (TV, etc.).
- Approval of the final score of each game.
- Approval of the personnel at the scorer's table (timekeeper, scorer and 24-second operator).
- Examination and decision on protests in the first instance.
- The imposition of sanctions against players, coaches, assistant coaches, team followers, international referees and table officials who have violated the spirit and the letter of the FIBA Internal Regulations, the Official Basketball Rules and the Competitions Regulations of FIBA Europe as well as the spirit of 'fair play' that must exist in basketball.
- Members of the Technical Committee shall base their decisions upon the reports submitted by the referees and commissioner.

- The severity of the sanction imposed depends on the nature of the violation. The sanction may be a warning, a reprimand, the repeal of a right, a suspension, a fine according to the Regulation (see Chapter XVII), other sanctions or a combination of the sanctions listed above.
- Supervision of the implementation of the Regulations governing the Use of Advertising.
- The Technical Committee is also responsible for making rulings concerning any other unsportsmanlike behaviour, which may occur immediately before or after a game.

The functions of the technical committee shall terminate with the establishment of the final classification of the competition. In the event of a protest, the Technical Committee may use videos, film, pictures or any equipment, visual, electronic, digital or otherwise, in order to take its decision on a situation where the referee is authorised to use the Instant Replay System under the Official Basketball Rules. This provision applies mutatis mutandis to proceedings before the disciplinary judge(s) and the Jury of Appeal. The use of such equipment is valid also to determine responsibility in matters of discipline or for educational (training) purposes after the game has ended.

### **IMPORTANT NOTE!**

During FIBA EuroBasket and FIBA Women's EuroBasket only, FIBA Europe may decide to create a special disciplinary panel and/or a special appeals panel with some or all of the functions of the Technical Committee or Jury of Appeal, as applicable.

The special disciplinary panel and the special appeals panel shall each consist of a minimum of two (2) independent members who shall have legal training.

This disciplinary body and/or the single judge shall be authorised to examine all cases regarding discipline during the competition and take decisions regarding the imposition of sanctions set forth in these Regulations (see Chapter XVI).

An Appeal shall only be accepted in the case of a suspension for more than one (1) game. The appeal must be made within three (3) hours following the delivery of the decision by the disciplinary body/Single Judge and must be accompanied by a fee of EUR 1,000. The special appeals panel may hear the matter as a panel or through a single judge.

### **17.3. Jury of Appeal**

Where a Technical Committee is formed, a Jury of Appeal must be formed at the beginning of each tournament. There shall be four (4) appointed members and four (4) substitute members. It shall be appointed by the representative of FIBA Europe and composed of representatives of National Federations. It shall be presided over by the most senior member of the Board of FIBA Europe, who shall be the 5th member of the Jury of Appeal. If no member of the Board of FIBA Europe is present, there shall be five (5) appointed members and one of these five (5) shall be elected by his/her peers to preside over the Jury of Appeal.

In the case of tournaments involving a maximum of six (6) teams, the Jury of Appeal shall be composed of a president, as above, with two (2) appointed members and two (2) substitute members.

The function of the Jury of Appeal shall be to decide in the second instance on appeals against decisions taken by the Technical Committee or the special disciplinary panel or the single judge concerning sanctions imposed. Its verdict is final and it cannot be appealed.

Members of the Jury of Appeal having a connection with teams involved in the dispute or a conflict of interest may not sit on the jury and must be replaced by alternate members. If necessary, the person appointed by the President of the Jury of Appeal to replace him/her (with the approval of the Representative of FIBA Europe) will be responsible for making the formal announcement.

### **17.4. Protest - Tournament**

17.4.1 During a main official competition of FIBA Europe a team may file a protest if its interests have been adversely affected by

- a) an error in scorekeeping, time-keeping or shot clock operations, which was not corrected by the referees.
- b) a decision to forfeit, cancel, postpone, not resume or not play the game.
- c) a violation of the applicable eligibility rules.

17.4.2 In order to be admissible, a protest shall comply with the following procedure:

- a) The captain of that team shall, no later than fifteen (15) minutes following the end of the game, inform the crew chief that his/her team is protesting against the result of the game and sign the scoresheet in the 'Captain's signature in case of protest' column. This signature may be provided electronically or may be replaced by electronic confirmation secured by sufficient means such as passwords or PIN codes, as directed by FIBA Europe.
- b) The team shall submit the protest reasons in writing no later than one (1) hour following the end of the game.
- c) A fee of EUR 1500 shall be applied to each protest and shall be paid in the event that the protest is rejected.

- 17.4.3 The crew chief shall, following receipt of the protest reasons, report in writing the incident which leads to the protest, to the FIBA representative or to the Technical Committee.
- 17.4.4 The Technical Committee shall decide on the protest no later than twenty-four (24) hours following the end of the game.
- 17.4.5 Decisions of the Technical Committee shall not be subject to appeal, except for decisions on protests filed under article 17.4.1(c), which may be appealed to the Jury of Appeal.
- 17.4.6 Any appeal filed under article 17.4.6 must be made within one (1) hour following the decision of the Technical Committee and accompanied by a deposit, as security, equivalent to EUR 3,000.
- 17.4.7 The Jury of Appeal shall judge the appeal in the last instance, and its decision shall be final.

## 17.5 Protest – Home and Away Games

### 17.5.1 Procedure

During Home and Away Games in Competitions of FIBA Europe a team may file a protest if its interests have been adversely affected by

- a) an error in scorekeeping, time-keeping or shot clock operations, which was not corrected by the referees.
- b) a decision to forfeit, cancel, postpone, not resume or not play the game.
- c) a violation of the applicable eligibility rules.

In order to be admissible, a protest shall comply with the following procedure:

- a) The captain of that team shall, no later than fifteen (15) minutes following the end of the game, inform the crew chief that his/her team is protesting against the result of the game and sign the scoresheet in the 'Captain's signature in case of protest' column. This signature may be provided electronically or may be replaced by electronic confirmation secured by sufficient means such as passwords or PIN codes, as directed by FIBA Europe.
- b) The team shall submit the protest reasons in writing no later than one (1) hour following the end of the game.
- c) A fee of EUR 1500 shall be applied to each protest and shall be paid in the event that the protest is rejected.

### 17.5.2 Decision

1. The FIBA Europe Referee Manager along with a member of the Technical Commission of FIBA Europe, as appointed by the FIBA Executive Director Europe, shall take all decisions concerning protests (with the exception of protests relating to the eligibility of players) within twenty-four (24) hours following receipt of the protest by FIBA Europe.
2. The FIBA Europe single judge shall take all decisions on protests relating to the eligibility of players.

### 17.5.3 Appeals

No appeal is allowed against decisions taken under paragraph 1 above. Appeals against decisions taken under paragraph 2 above may be filed in accordance with the FIBA Internal Regulations (Book 1, Chapter 8).

## 18. CLASSIFICATION OF TEAMS

The classification of teams shall be made according to the current Official Basketball Rules, Section D – Classification of Teams.

## 19. TECHNICAL EQUIPMENT AND PLAYING COURT

Before each official competition of FIBA Europe, the court as well as the technical equipment must be examined and approved by the appropriate body of FIBA Europe.

For main official competitions, FIBA Europe reserves the right to choose the make and type of ball to be used.

Only technical equipment which fulfills all technical specifications according to the Official Basketball Rules and whose make and model have been approved by FIBA may be used for FIBA Europe official competitions.

## 20. DOPING CONTROL

Doping control tests shall be carried out in accordance with the provisions of the FIBA Internal Regulations governing anti-doping.

## **21. ORGANISATION OF INTERNATIONAL GAMES AND TOURNAMENTS**

Participation in other international games and tournaments shall not be subject to the above provisions. The organisers may invite teams from any country, on condition that the invited country is an affiliated member of FIBA.

Associated members of FIBA Europe may under no circumstances take part in these competitions.

Teams from a National Federation affiliated to FIBA Europe may not participate in any international competition (games and tournaments) in which an entity not affiliated to a member federation of FIBA Europe is participating, unless prior approval from both FIBA Europe and the respective National Federation has been obtained.

International games and tournaments between teams representing National Federations or clubs must be authorised by the National Federation of the organisers. Furthermore, the respective National Federation must authorise the participation of their teams in these competitions.

## **22. SECURITY**

1. The organisers shall provide sufficient security forces to ensure the complete safety of the visiting teams, spectators, all nominated officials, FIBA staff and FIBA guests/partners (if applicable). Please refer also to Article 4.3.
2. For security reasons it is strongly advised that a transparent protective shield be placed behind the scorer's table and team benches as well as provide a tunnel for the safe exit of players and officials to their dressing rooms.

## **23. MEDICAL CARE**

1. The organisers shall provide sufficient qualified medical personnel to ensure the efficient medical care of the visiting teams, spectators, all nominated officials, supervisory doctor, table officials, FIBA staff and FIBA guests/partners (if applicable).
2. The organisers must strictly follow the FIBA Europe "Emergency Action Plan" in case of medical or other emergencies.

## **24. DATA PROCESSING**

The organising federation must comply with applicable laws concerning the procession of personal data and the technical specifications provided by FIBA Europe separately for each competition. Any processing of personal data by the organising federation on behalf of FIBA Europe shall be governed mutatis mutandis by the Data Processing Policy - National Member Federations (Appendix 3, Book 1 of the FIBA Internal Regulations).

## **25. STATISTICS**

For all official Competitions of FIBA Europe, the office of FIBA Europe will provide the official FIBA statistics software to the organiser, which must be used for all games, [unless stated otherwise in the respective Event Manual](#). Using the FIBA software, the organiser shall provide live scores and statistics to FIBA Europe in real time.

The organiser is responsible for providing all necessary hardware, infrastructure (in particular a fast and reliable internet connection in the arena) and human resources (statisticians). Only FIBA licensed statisticians can be used.

In all games, the statisticians are required to contact FIBA Europe in the way defined for each competition. Normally this would include contacting FIBA Europe by skype upon arrival in the game venue.

Failure to provide live scores/statistics and/or the final score/statistics after the game shall be subject to an administrative fine.

## **CHAPTER II: NATIONAL TEAM COMPETITIONS**

**FIBA EuroBasket**

**FIBA European Championship for Small Countries**

**FIBA Women's EuroBasket**

**FIBA Women's European Championship for Small Countries**

**FIBA U20 European Championship**

**FIBA U20 European Championship Division B**

**FIBA U20 Women's European Championship**

**FIBA U20 Women's European Championship Division B**

**FIBA U18 European Championship**

**FIBA U18 European Championship Division B**

**FIBA U18 Women's European Championship**

**FIBA U18 Women's European Championship Division B**

**FIBA U18 European Championship Division C**

**FIBA U18 Women's European Championship Division C**

**FIBA U16 European Championship**

**FIBA U16 European Championship Division B**

**FIBA U16 Women's European Championship**

**FIBA U16 Women's European Championship Division B**

**FIBA U16 European Championship Division C**

**FIBA U16 Women's European Championship Division C**



## **CHAPTER III: FIBA EUROBASKET**

In addition to these Regulations, all provisions in the relevant FIBA Internal Regulations as well as the Official Basketball Rules are valid in their entirety. For the Pre-Qualifiers and Qualifiers of the FIBA EuroBasket, the National Member Federations Handbook is valid outlining detailed conditions regarding the organisation of the home and away games.

### **26. CANDIDATURE**

Any European National Federation is entitled to submit its candidature to organise the Final Round of FIBA EuroBasket within the given deadline and according to the "FIBA EuroBasket Bid Book and FIBA EuroBasket Event Manual".

### **27. MARKETING**

The marketing rights will be listed in a dedicated Manual.

Any "ambush marketing" on the part of the LOC, Host National Federation, participating National Federation or any entity which is associated with the event will be subject to a minimum fine of EUR 75,000 up to EUR 250,000.

### **28. ASSIGNMENT**

The Final Round of the FIBA EuroBasket shall be held every four (4) years. [2021 (exceptionally 2022), 2025, 2029 etc.]

### **29. PARTICIPANTS**

All European National Federations are entitled to participate.

### **30. DATES**

FIBA EuroBasket shall be held during the months of August and/or September.

### **31. SYSTEM OF COMPETITION**

The organiser(s) of the Final Round of the FIBA EuroBasket is/are directly qualified, but will however also participate in the Qualifiers. All other teams must qualify for the Final Round of the FIBA EuroBasket through the Qualifiers.

FIBA EuroBasket 2025 shall be played in two stages:

#### **A. Qualifiers (incl. Pre-Qualifiers) - home & away games**

#### **B. Final Round**

### **32. (PRE-) QUALIFIERS**

#### **32.1. Participants**

Any European National Federation is entitled to register for the (Pre-)Qualifiers to the FIBA EuroBasket.

#### **32.2. System of Competition**

The teams will be divided into groups by draw. Each team will play all other teams in its group in home and away games.

#### **32.3. Dates**

The games will be played during the International Window periods for National Teams. The exact dates of the windows are as per Chapter 1 - Book 1 of the FIBA Internal Regulations.

#### **32.4. Formation of the Groups**

The formation of the groups will be made by draw (see article 17.1)

#### **32.5. Composition of Teams**

Team delegations shall consist of a maximum of twenty-five (25) members as per FIBA Internal Regulations. A minimum of ten (10) and a maximum of twelve (12) players whose names shall be on the scoresheet. These players must be present at the beginning of the game. Two (2) coaches shall be listed on the scoresheet.

#### **32.6. Financial Provisions**

##### **32.6.1 Teams**

FIBA Europe must be advised of the venue where the game is to be held no later than **two (2) months** before the start of the window and the arena must be approved by FIBA Europe.

FIBA Europe has the authority not to approve the venue where the game is to be held.

The visiting team will cover their own travel expenses according to Article 6.2.1. of these Regulations.

### 32.6.2 Organisers

Venue: it shall be no more than three (3) hours by bus from the closest international airport with multiple regular connections across Europe.

Hotel: it shall be no more than thirty (30) minutes by bus from the arena.

Each organising (host) team will cover the following expenses:

General organising expenses.

Expenses of the referees, commissioner and supervisory doctor (if appointed) in accordance with the Competitions Regulations of FIBA Europe unless specified otherwise in handbooks outlining the conditions of the relevant competition.

Local transportation for visiting teams (in a high quality, air-conditioned bus) and officials (including the organisation of such transport) to practice sessions, game(s) and other official events

- The LOC is responsible for making available a sports hall to the visiting team for practices at least twice during the twenty-four (24) hours preceding the game (the evening and in the morning of the day of the game).
- Both practices must be in the sport hall where the game will be played. These practices must be no later than the time of the game the day before the game and no later than 11:00 a.m. on the day of the game, unless mutually agreed otherwise by both teams. The practice on the evening before the game shall be 90 minutes long and the practice in the morning of the game day shall be 60 minutes long.
- Twelve (12) balls of the same make and type as the one to be used for the game shall be made available to the visiting team for these practices.
- The court shall be available for a warm-up period at least **sixty (60) minutes** before starting time and the visiting team shall be provided with at least **six (6) balls** of the same make and type as the one to be used for the game.

The local organiser shall keep all revenue from gate receipts.

For all detailed organising expenses, please refer to the National Federations handbook valid for the (Pre-)Qualifiers.

### 32.6.3 Game Videos Online Platform

The organising (host) team will give a copy of the game video on USB to the opponent before they leave the venue.

The organising (host) team will upload the game video within twenty-four (24) hours to the online platform provided by FIBA Europe.

Third parties will be able to download game videos from the online platform provided by FIBA Europe.

Failure to do so will result in an administrative fine in accordance with article 127.8.

## 33. FINAL ROUND

### 33.1. Composition of teams

The teams will be composed of nineteen **(19) persons**:

**Twelve (12) players**, one (1) head of delegation, one (1) accompanying referee and five (5) other persons (see also Article 16).

### 33.2. System of Competition

#### GROUP PHASE

The twenty-four (24) teams will be divided into four (4) groups (A, B, C, D) of six (6) teams each. Each team will play the other five (5) teams in its own group. As per the decision of the Board of FIBA Europe, the host of the Final Phase shall be drawn into Group A or B for logistical reasons.

The teams placed 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> in each group will qualify directly for the **Final Phase**.

The teams placed 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> in each group will be eliminated.

There will be one (1) rest and one (1) travel day between the Group and the **Final Phase**.

#### FINAL PHASE

The sixteen (16) teams qualified from the Group Phase will play in a knock-out format. The games will be played as follows:

##### Round of 16

<b>Game 61</b>	<b>Game 62</b>	<b>Game 63</b>	<b>Game 64</b>
B2 vs. A3	C1 vs. D4	A1 vs. B4	D2 vs. C3
<b>Game 65</b>	<b>Game 66</b>	<b>Game 67</b>	<b>Game 68</b>
B1 vs. A4	C2 vs. D3	A2 vs. B3	D1 vs. C4

The losers of these games will be eliminated.

### **Quarter-Finals**

The eight (8) teams qualified from the Round of 16 will play as follows:

Game 69: Winner 61 vs. Winner 62

Game 70: Winner 63 vs. Winner 64

Game 71: Winner 65 vs. Winner 66

Game 72: Winner 67 vs. Winner 68

The losers of these games will be eliminated.

### **Semi-Finals**

Game 73: Winner 69 vs. Winner 70

Game 74: Winner 71 vs. Winner 72

### **3<sup>rd</sup> Place**

Game 75: Loser 73 vs. Loser 74

### **Final**

Game 76: Winner 73 vs. Winner 74

**Note:** For all Rounds the order of the games for each day may be revised for television reasons.

## **FIBA EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP FOR SMALL COUNTRIES**

### **34. DATES**

FIBA European Championship for Small Countries shall be held every two (2) years [2024, 2026, 2028 etc.] during the summer months. The dates will be approved by the Board of FIBA Europe upon proposal of the Secretariat.

### **35. ORGANISERS**

Within the deadline set by FIBA Europe, all National Federations registered are entitled to submit their candidature to organise the tournament. The organisers shall abide by all the pre-requisites described in the "Youth and Small Countries Event Manual".

### **36. PARTICIPANTS**

The countries entitled to participate will be proposed by the President of the Small Countries Commission from the countries which have registered, with the proviso that Andorra, Gibraltar, Malta, Principality of Monaco and San Marino will be chosen if registered.

### **37. COMPOSITION OF TEAMS**

The teams may be composed of sixteen (16) persons which **must** include one (1) head of delegation and one (1) international referee. The official team delegation covered by the same financial contribution as outlined in articles 39 & 40, can be also composed of seventeen (17) persons, if the additional person is a medical staff member accompanying the team.

### **38. SYSTEM OF COMPETITION**

FIBA European Championship for Small Countries may be held in one or more groups, according to the number of teams that will register. The system of competition depends on the number of participating teams.

### **39. FINANCIAL PROVISIONS**

#### **39.1. Teams**

Each team must pay a contribution towards its staying expenses to the organising federation in the amount of **EUR 20** per person per night for the duration of the competition. Teams are required to arrive no later than the day before the competition starts in time to attend the Technical Meeting. A maximum of one (1) additional night may be reserved at the same rate.

**Example:** Tournament dates: 14<sup>th</sup> July to 19<sup>th</sup> July

Teams must arrive no later than 13<sup>th</sup> July and depart on 20<sup>th</sup> July (seven (7) nights).

Therefore the teams are entitled to seven (7) nights plus up to one (1) possible extra night = maximum of possible total of eight (8) nights at EUR 20 per night

**Note:** If a team decides **to arrive before** and/or **to stay longer** than the time period as described above, this team is responsible for all the additional expenses.

The participating teams will cover their own travel expenses to and from the venue of the competition according to Article 6.2.1 of these Regulations.

#### **39.2. Organisers**

The income from the use of television and advertising rights and income from gate receipts belong to the organising federation. The organising federation shall cover general organising expenses and the staying expenses of the teams (maximum of seventeen (17) persons as per composition of teams) for the duration of the competition plus two (2) days and the FIBA Europe representative/staff.

### **40. FIBA EUROPE**

FIBA Europe will cover the travel expenses and fees for the President of the Small Countries Commission, the commissioner(s), the referee instructor(s) and one or more neutral referees depending on the number of participants as well as the fees for all accompanying referees.

In addition, FIBA Europe will subsidise the organising federation in the form of:

1. An allowance of **EUR 40** per night (as per the composition of the teams to a maximum of seventeen (17) persons) for the duration of the competition plus two (2) nights.
2. An allowance of **EUR 40** per person per night for the commissioner(s), referee instructor(s) and neutral referee(s) for the duration of the competition plus two (2) nights.

## **CHAPTER IV: FIBA WOMEN'S EUROBASKET**

In addition to these Regulations, all provisions in the relevant FIBA Internal Regulations as well as the Official Basketball Rules are valid in their entirety. For the Qualifiers of the FIBA Women's EuroBasket, the National Member Federations Handbook will be valid outlining detailed conditions regarding the organisation of the home and away games.

### **41. CANDIDATURE**

Any European National Federation is entitled to submit its candidature to organise the Final Round of the FIBA Women's EuroBasket within the given deadline and according to the "FIBA Women's EuroBasket Bid Book" and "FIBA Women's EuroBasket Event Manual".

### **42. MARKETING**

The marketing rights will be listed in a dedicated Manual.

Any "ambush marketing" on the part of the LOC, Host National Federation, participating National Federation or any entity which is associated with the event will be subject to a minimum fine of EUR 50,000 up to EUR 200,000.

### **43. ASSIGNMENT**

The Final Round of the FIBA Women's EuroBasket shall be held every two (2) years (2023, 2025, 2027 etc.).

### **44. PARTICIPANTS**

All European National Federations are entitled to participate.

### **45. DATES**

The FIBA Women's EuroBasket shall be held during the month of June.

### **46. SYSTEM OF COMPETITION**

The organiser(s) of the FIBA Women's EuroBasket is/are directly qualified, but will however also participate in the Qualifiers. All other teams must qualify for the Final Round of the FIBA EuroBasket through the Qualifiers.

The FIBA Women's EuroBasket shall be played in two (2) stages:

**A. Qualifiers (home & away games)**

**B. Final Round**

### **47. QUALIFIERS**

#### **47.1. Participants**

Any European National Federation is entitled to register for the Qualifiers to the FIBA Women's EuroBasket.

#### **47.2. System of Competition**

The teams will be divided into groups of three (3) or four (4) teams by draw. Each team will play all other teams in its group in home and away games.

#### **47.3. Dates**

The Qualifiers will take place during the International Window periods for Women's National Teams (3 windows in total - 2 games in each window). The exact dates of the windows are as per Chapter 1 - Book 1 of the FIBA Internal Regulations.

#### **47.4. Formation of the Groups**

The formation of the groups will be made by draw (see article 17.1).

#### **47.5. Composition of Teams**

The teams will be composed of eighteen (18) persons: a maximum of twelve (12) players, one (1) head of delegation and five (5) other persons.

#### **47.7. Financial Provisions**

##### **47.7.1 Teams**

FIBA Europe must be advised of the venue where the game is to be held no later than **two (2) months** before the start of the window and the arena must be approved by FIBA Europe.

FIBA Europe has the authority not to approve the venue where the game is to be held.

The visiting team will cover their own travel expenses according to Article 6.2.1. of these Regulations.

#### 47.7.2 Organiser

Venue: It shall be no more than one hundred and fifty (150) km from the closest international airport with multiple regular connections across Europe.

Hotel: It shall be no more than 20 km from the arena.

Each organising (host) team will cover the following expenses:

##### **General Organising Expenses**

Staying expenses of the visiting teams for a [maximum of three \(3\) days \(two \(2\) nights\)](#) in a first class (high standard) hotel (six (6) double and six (6) single rooms). This includes high quality and quantity of food and drinks.

Travel and staying expenses of the referees, commissioner, referee instructor and supervisory doctor (if appointed) in accordance with the Competitions Regulations of FIBA Europe.

Local transportation for visiting teams (in a high quality, air-conditioned bus) and officials (including the organisation of such transport) to practice sessions, game(s) and other official events.

- The LOC is responsible for making available a sports hall to the visiting team for practices at least twice during the twenty-four (24) hours preceding the game (the evening and in the morning of the day of the game).
- Both practices must be in the sport hall where the game will be played. These practices must be no later than the time of the game the day before the game and no later than 11:00 a.m. on the day of the game, unless mutually agreed otherwise by both teams. The practice on the evening before the game shall be 90 minutes long and the practice in the morning of the game day shall be 60 minutes long.
- Twelve (12) balls of the same make and type as the one to be used for the game shall be made available to the visiting team for these practices.
- The court shall be available for a warm-up period at least [sixty \(60\) minutes](#) before starting time and the visiting team shall be provided with at least [six \(6\) balls](#) of the same make and type as the one to be used for the game.

The local organiser shall keep all revenue from gate receipts.

#### 47.7.3 Game Videos Online Platform

The organising (host) team will give a copy of the game video on USB to the opponent before they leave the venue.

The organising (host) team will upload the game video [within twenty-four \(24\) hours](#) to the online platform provided by FIBA Europe.

Third parties will be able to download game videos from the online platform provided by FIBA Europe.

Failure to do so will result in an administrative fine in accordance to article 127.8.

## **48. FINAL ROUND**

### [48.1. Composition of Teams](#)

The teams will be composed of **19 persons**:

Twelve (12) players, one (1) head of delegation, one (1) accompanying referee and five (5) other persons (see also Article 16).

### [48.2. System of Competition](#)

#### **GROUP PHASE**

The 16 teams will be divided into four (4) groups (A, B, C, D) of four (4) teams each. Each team will play the other three (3) teams in its own group.

There will be one rest day between Game Day 2 and Game Day 3.

The teams placed 1<sup>st</sup> in each group will qualify directly for the **Quarter-Finals**.

The teams placed 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> in each group will play qualification for the Quarter-Finals.

The teams placed 4<sup>th</sup> in each group will be eliminated.

#### **Qualification for Quarter-Finals**

Game 25: A2 vs. B3

Game 26: B2 vs. A3

Game 27: C2 vs. D3

Game 28: D2 vs. C3

**FINAL PHASE**

There will be one (1) rest/travel day between the Group Phase and the Final Phase.

**Quarter-Finals**

The eight (8) teams qualified for the Quarter-Finals will play as follows:

Game 29: A1 vs. Winner 27

Game 30: B1 vs. Winner 28

Game 31: C1 vs. Winner 25

Game 32: D1 vs. Winner 26

**Classification Games for 5<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> place**

Game 33: Loser 29 vs. Loser 32

Game 34: Loser 30 vs. Loser 31

**Semi-Finals**

Game 35: Winner 29 vs. Winner 32

Game 36: Winner 30 vs. Winner 31

**Classification Games for 3<sup>rd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> place**

Game 37: Winner 33 vs. Winner 34 (5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> place)

Game 38: Loser 35 vs. Loser 36 (3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> place)

**Note:** The game for 5<sup>th</sup> place shall not be played if it is without importance for the Qualification to the Olympic Qualifying Tournaments or World Cup Qualifying Tournaments.

**Final**

Game 39: Winner 35 vs. Winner 36 (1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place)

**Note:** For all Rounds the order of the games for each day may be revised for television reasons.

## **FIBA WOMEN'S EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP FOR SMALL COUNTRIES**

### **49. DATES**

FIBA Women's European Championship for Small Countries shall be held every two years [2024, 2026, 2028 etc.] during the summer months. The dates will be approved by the Board of FIBA Europe upon proposal of the Secretariat.

### **50. ORGANISERS**

Within the deadline set by FIBA Europe, all National Federations registered are entitled to submit their candidature to organise the tournament. The organisers shall abide by all the pre-requisites described in the "Youth and Small Countries Event Manual".

### **51. PARTICIPANTS**

The countries entitled to participate will be proposed by the President of the Small Countries Commission from the countries which have registered, with the proviso that Andorra, Gibraltar, Malta, Principality of Monaco and San Marino will be chosen if registered.

### **52. COMPOSITION OF TEAMS**

The teams may be composed of sixteen (16) persons which **must** include one (1) head of delegation and one (1) international referee. The official team delegation covered by the same financial contribution as outlined in articles 54 & 55, can be also composed of seventeen (17) persons, if the additional person is a medical staff member accompanying the team.

### **53. SYSTEM OF COMPETITION**

FIBA Women's European Championship for Small Countries may be held in one or more groups, according to the number of teams that will register. The system of competition depends on the number of participating teams.

### **54. FINANCIAL PROVISIONS**

#### **54.1. Teams**

Each team must pay a contribution towards its staying expenses to the organising federations in the amount of **EUR 20** per person per night for the duration of the competition. Teams are required to arrive no later than the day before the competition starts in time to attend the Technical Meeting. A maximum of one (1) additional night may be reserved at the same rate.

**Example:** Tournament Dates: 14<sup>th</sup> July to 19<sup>th</sup> July

Teams must arrive no later than 13<sup>th</sup> July and depart on 20<sup>th</sup> July (seven (7) nights).

Therefore the teams are entitled to seven (7) nights plus up to one (1) possible extra night = maximum of possible total of eight (8) nights at EUR 20 per night

**Note:** If a team decides **to arrive before** and/or **to stay longer** than the time period as described above, this team is responsible for **all the additional expenses**.

The participating teams will cover their own travel expenses to and from the venue of the competition according to Article 6.2.1. of these Regulations.

#### **54.2. Organisers**

The income from the use of television and advertising rights and income from gate receipts belong to the organising federation. The organising federation shall cover general organising expenses and the staying expenses of the teams (maximum of seventeen (17) persons as per composition of teams) for the duration of the competition plus two (2) days and the FIBA Europe representative/staff.

### **55. FIBA EUROPE**

FIBA Europe will cover the travel expenses and fees for the President of the Small Countries Commission, the commissioner(s), the referee instructor(s) and one or more neutral referees depending on the number of participants as well as the fees for all accompanying referees.

In addition, FIBA Europe will subsidise the organising federation in the form of:

1. An allowance of **EUR 40** per night (as per the composition of the teams to a maximum of seventeen (17) persons) for the duration of the competition plus two (2) nights.
2. An allowance of **EUR 40** per person per night for the commissioner(s), referee instructor(s) and neutral referee(s) for the duration of the competition plus two (2) nights.



## CHAPTER V: FIBA U16, U18, U20 EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS & FIBA WOMEN'S U16, U18, U20 EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

In addition to these Regulations, all provisions in the relevant FIBA Internal Regulations as well as the Official Basketball Rules are valid in their entirety.

### 56. ASSIGNMENT

- The FIBA U16 European Championships & FIBA U16 Women's European Championships shall be divided into three (3) Divisions (A, B and C) and shall be held every year.
- The FIBA U18 European Championships & FIBA U18 Women's European Championships shall be divided into three (3) Divisions (A, B and C) and shall be held every year.
- The FIBA U20 European Championships & FIBA U20 Women's European Championships shall be divided into two (2) Divisions (A and B) and shall be held every year.

**Division A** will be composed of sixteen (16) teams.

**Division B** will be composed of all the teams wishing to participate (maximum twenty-four (24)). The winner of the Division C tournament will be invited to participate in Division B the following year in the same age category and therefore if necessary the 24<sup>th</sup> placed team from Division B will participate in Division C.

**Division C** will be composed of all the remaining teams who are eligible according to Article 67, wishing to participate with the proviso that Andorra, Gibraltar, Malta, Principality of Monaco and San Marino will be chosen if registered.

## DIVISIONS A AND B

### 57. DATES

The FIBA U16, U18, U20 European Championships & FIBA Women's U16, U18, U20 European Championships shall be played every year during the months of July - August.

### 58. ORGANISERS

Within the deadline set by FIBA Europe, all National Federations are entitled to submit their candidature to organise the Competition of the Division to which they belong.

The Competition of the Division A shall be played in preferably two (2) but never more than three (3) venues.

The organisers shall abide by all the pre-requisites described in the "Youth and Small Countries Event Manual".

FIBA Europe is the sole holder of broadcasting, licensing, retail, marketing, sponsorship, media, gaming, data (including data gathered through wearable technology) rights. These rights may be exploited by an entity designated by FIBA Europe.

#### 58.1. Marketing and Merchandising

All commercial rights (including "presenting sponsor" right) to the event are exclusively owned by FIBA Europe; however FIBA Europe may release some or all rights to the organiser.

#### 58.2. Organizing provisions

The organisers shall keep the revenue from:

- Contribution from FIBA as per Article 59.
- All gate receipts
- National television rights
- All marketing rights, except for FIBA Europe sponsors (see above)
- Subject to negotiations and the directives stipulated by an entity designated by FIBA Europe, part of the merchandising rights.

**Note:** Any and all LOC contracts (television, marketing or merchandising) are subject to approval by the entity designated by FIBA Europe.

The organisers shall cover the following expenses:

- General organising expenses (rental, taxes, provision of statistics etc.).
- The difference between the actual cost of the staying expenses and the contribution paid by the teams.
- The travel and staying expenses of the neutral referees, commissioners, referee instructors and FIBA Europe management and staff in accordance with the Regulations of FIBA Europe.
- The fees of all referees, commissioners, instructors and supervisory doctor (if appointed) in accordance with the Competitions Regulations of FIBA Europe.
- The travel, staying expenses and fees of the supervisory doctor present at the doping control in accordance with the FIBA Internal Regulations.
- The doping control expenses in accordance with the FIBA Internal Regulations.

## **59. CONTRIBUTION FROM FIBA EUROPE**

The Board of FIBA Europe will decide upon the amount of the contribution from FIBA Europe. This includes an adequate amount for the travel expenses, staying expenses, and fees of the Officiating team.

## **60. PARTICIPATING TEAMS**

Each team must pay a contribution towards its staying expenses to the organising federation in the amount of **EUR 45** for U16/U18 & **EUR 50** for U20 per person per night for the duration of the competition. Teams are required to arrive no later than the day before the competition starts in time to attend the Technical Meeting. A maximum of one (1) additional night may be reserved at the same rate.

**Example:** Tournament Dates: 6<sup>th</sup> August to 14<sup>th</sup> August

Teams must arrive no later than 5<sup>th</sup> August and depart on 15<sup>th</sup> August (ten (10) nights – 5<sup>th</sup> August until 15<sup>th</sup> August). Therefore the teams are entitled to ten (10) nights plus up to one (1) possible extra night

= maximum of possible total of eleven (11) nights at EUR 45 for U16/U18 & EUR 50 for U20 per night per person.

**Note:** If a team decides to arrive before and/or to stay longer than the time period as described above, this team is responsible for all the additional expenses. All participating teams must have a delegate present at the Technical Meeting.

The participating teams will cover their own travel expenses to and from the venue of the competition according to Article 6.2.1. of the FIBA Europe Competitions Regulations.

## **61. PARTICIPANTS**

All European National Federations are entitled to participate.

## **62. COMPOSITION OF TEAMS**

The teams will be composed of nineteen (19) persons: twelve (12) players, one (1) head of delegation, one (1) international referee, and five (5) other persons.

**Note:** The head of delegation must be fluent in English.

## **63. PLAYERS**

A player who has participated in **two (2)** main official youth FIBA Europe/FIBA competitions in a calendar year will not be eligible to play any other main official youth competition of FIBA Europe in the same calendar year.

## **64. RELEGATION**

The three (3) teams classified 14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> will be relegated from Division A to Division B. This relegation will take effect the following year in the same age category competition.

**Note 1:** If a team in Division A does not participate in the respective competition, this team will be automatically relegated to Division B. This relegation will take effect the following year in the same age category competition. In this case, the next top ranked/classified team in Division B will be promoted to Division A.

**Note 2:** If a team in Division A uses players who are not eligible to play according to the Regulations, this team will be automatically relegated to Division B.

**Note 3:** If there is a host already designated for a tournament in Division A for the following year, then this host cannot be relegated to Division B in that year and only two (2) teams will be promoted from Division B in that age category in that year.

Recurrence shall mean disqualification of [all teams](#) from that National Federation for a period of two (2) years.

## **DIVISION C**

### **65. DATES**

The U16 and U18 European Championships Men and Women Division C, shall be played every year during the summer months. The dates will be approved by the Board of FIBA Europe upon proposal of the Secretariat.

### **66. ORGANISERS**

Within the deadline set by FIBA Europe, all National Federations registered in Division C are entitled to submit their candidature to organise the tournament. The organisers shall abide by all the pre-requisites described in the "Youth and Small Countries Event Manual".

## 67. PARTICIPANTS

The countries entitled to participate will be proposed by the President of the Small Countries Commission from the countries which have registered, with the proviso that Andorra, Gibraltar, Malta, Principality of Monaco and San Marino will be chosen if registered.

**Note:** Teams playing in Division B are [not allowed to participate in Division C](#) in the same age category and season.

## 68. COMPOSITION OF TEAMS

The teams may be composed of sixteen (16) persons which **must** include one (1) head of delegation and one (1) international referee. The official team delegation covered by the same financial contribution as outlined in articles 69 & 70, can be also composed of seventeen (17) persons, if the additional person is a medical staff member accompanying the team.

**Note:** The head of delegation must be fluent in English.

## 69. FINANCIAL PROVISIONS

### 69.1. Teams

Each team must pay a contribution towards its staying expenses to the organising federations in the amount of **EUR 20** per person per night for the duration of the competition. Teams are required to arrive no later than the day before the competition starts in time to attend the Technical Meeting. A maximum of one (1) additional night may be reserved at the same rate.

**Example:** Tournament dates: 14<sup>th</sup> July to 19<sup>th</sup> July

Teams must arrive no later than 13<sup>th</sup> July and depart on 20<sup>th</sup> July (seven (7) nights).

Therefore the teams are entitled to seven (7) nights plus up to one (1) possible extra night = maximum of possible total of eight (8) nights at EUR 20 per night.

**Note:** If a team decides [to arrive before](#) and/or to [stay longer](#) than the time period as described above, this team is responsible for [all the additional expenses](#). All participating teams must have a delegate present at the Technical Meeting.

The participating teams will cover their own travel expenses to and from the venue of the competition according to Article 6.2.1. of these Regulations.

### 69.2. Organisers

The income from the use of television and advertising rights and income from gate receipts belong to the organising federation. The organising federation shall cover general organising expenses and the staying expenses of the teams (maximum of seventeen (17) persons as per composition of teams) for the duration of the competition plus two (2) days and the FIBA Europe representative/staff.

## 70. FIBA EUROPE

FIBA Europe will cover the travel expenses and fees for the President of the Small Countries Commission, the commissioner(s), the referee instructor(s) and one or more neutral referees depending on the number of participants as well as the fees for all accompanying referees.

In addition, FIBA Europe will subsidise the organising federation in the form of:

1. An allowance of **EUR 40** per night (as per the composition of the teams to a maximum of seventeen (17) persons) for the duration of the competition plus two (2) nights.
2. An allowance of **EUR 40** per person per night for the commissioner(s), referee instructor(s) and neutral referee(s) for the duration of the competition plus two (2) nights.

## 71. SYSTEM OF COMPETITION: DIVISION A

The championship will be played within nine (9) **days** (seven (7) game days plus two (2) rest days)

### FIRST ROUND

The sixteen (16) teams will be divided into four (4) groups (**A, B, C, D**) of four (4) teams each. Each team will play the other three (3) teams in its own group.

The final standings will be established after the First Round.

A1	B1	C1	D1
A2	B2	C2	D2
A3	B3	C3	D3
A4	B4	C4	D4

All four (4) teams classified 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> in each group will qualify for the Round of 16 (sixteen (16) teams).

**ROUND OF 16**

Game 25 A1 vs. B4	Game 26 A2 vs. B3	Game 27 B2 vs. A3	Game 28 B1 vs. A4
Game 29 C1 vs. D4	Game 30 C2 vs. D3	Game 31 D2 vs. C3	Game 32 D1 vs. C4

The winners of these games will qualify for the Quarter-Finals. The losers will play Classification Games from 9<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> place.

**QUARTER-FINALS**

Game 37:	Winner 25	vs.	Winner 30
Game 38:	Winner 26	vs.	Winner 29
Game 39:	Winner 27	vs.	Winner 32
Game 40:	Winner 28	vs.	Winner 31

**Classification games for 9<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> place:**

Game 33:	Loser 25	vs.	Loser 30
Game 34:	Loser 26	vs.	Loser 29
Game 35:	Loser 27	vs.	Loser 32
Game 36:	Loser 28	vs.	Loser 31

**Classification games for 5<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> place:**

Game 41:	Loser 33	vs.	Loser 35
Game 42:	Loser 34	vs.	Loser 36
Game 43:	Winner 33	vs.	Winner 35
Game 44:	Winner 34	vs.	Winner 36
Game 45:	Loser 37	vs.	Loser 39
Game 46:	Loser 38	vs.	Loser 40

**SEMI-FINALS:**

Game 47:	Winner 37	vs.	Winner 39
Game 48:	Winner 38	vs.	Winner 40

**Classification games for 3<sup>rd</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> place:**

Game 49:	Loser 41	vs.	Loser 42	(15 <sup>th</sup> and 16 <sup>th</sup> place)
Game 50:	Winner 41	vs.	Winner 42	(13 <sup>th</sup> and 14 <sup>th</sup> place)
Game 51:	Loser 43	vs.	Loser 44	(11 <sup>th</sup> and 12 <sup>th</sup> place)
Game 52:	Winner 43	vs.	Winner 44	(9 <sup>th</sup> and 10 <sup>th</sup> place)
Game 53:	Loser 45	vs.	Loser 46	(7 <sup>th</sup> and 8 <sup>th</sup> place)
Game 54:	Winner 45	vs.	Winner 46	(5 <sup>th</sup> and 6 <sup>th</sup> place)
Game 55:	Loser 47	vs.	Loser 48	(3 <sup>rd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> place)

**FINAL:**

Game 56:	Winner 47	vs.	Winner 48	(1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> place)
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**72. SYSTEM OF COMPETITION: DIVISION B**

The competition system for Division B tournaments depends on the number of registered teams in the respective year.

**73. SYSTEM OF COMPETITION: DIVISION C**

The Division C competition may be held in one or more groups, according to the number of teams that will register. The system of competition depends on the number of participating teams. The winner of the Division C tournament will be invited to participate in Division B the following year in the same age category.

## CHAPTER VI: GENERAL COMPETITION SCHEDULE

### TOURNAMENTS & HOME AND AWAY GAMES

TEAMS	GAME DAYS								
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
<b>3</b>	1 - 2	2 - 3	3 - 1						
<b>REST DAY:</b>	3	1	2						
<b>4</b>	1 - 4	3 - 1	1 - 2						
	2 - 3	4 - 2	3 - 4						
<b>5</b>	2 - 5	1 - 4	5 - 3	4 - 2	3 - 1				
	4 - 3	3 - 2	2 - 1	1 - 5	5 - 4				
<b>REST DAY:</b>	1	5	4	3	2				
<b>6</b>	6 - 1	1 - 5	4 - 1	1 - 3	2 - 1				
	5 - 2	4 - 6	3 - 5	2 - 4	6 - 3				
	3 - 4	2 - 3	6 - 2	5 - 6	4 - 5				
<b>7</b>	2 - 7	1 - 6	7 - 5	6 - 4	5 - 3	4 - 2	3 - 1		
	6 - 3	5 - 2	4 - 1	3 - 7	2 - 6	1 - 5	7 - 4		
	4 - 5	3 - 4	2 - 3	1 - 2	7 - 1	6 - 7	5 - 6		
<b>REST DAY:</b>	1	7	6	5	4	3	2		
<b>8</b>	8 - 1	1 - 7	6 - 1	1 - 5	4 - 1	1 - 3	2 - 1		
	2 - 7	8 - 6	7 - 5	6 - 4	5 - 3	4 - 2	3 - 8		
	6 - 3	5 - 2	4 - 8	3 - 7	2 - 6	8 - 5	7 - 4		
	4 - 5	3 - 4	2 - 3	8 - 2	7 - 8	6 - 7	5 - 6		
<b>9</b>	2 - 9	8 - 4	5 - 8	9 - 5	6 - 9	1 - 6	6 - 2	3 - 6	7 - 3
	3 - 8	7 - 5	4 - 9	8 - 6	5 - 1	9 - 7	5 - 3	2 - 7	6 - 4
	4 - 7	9 - 3	3 - 1	1 - 4	4 - 2	2 - 5	7 - 1	1 - 8	8 - 2
	5 - 6	1 - 2	6 - 7	2 - 3	7 - 8	3 - 4	8 - 9	4 - 5	9 - 1
<b>REST DAY:</b>	1	6	2	7	3	8	4	9	5
<b>10</b>	1 - 10	9 - 3	5 - 8	9 - 5	4 - 2	1 - 6	8 - 9	3 - 6	7 - 3
	2 - 9	7 - 5	3 - 1	8 - 6	3 - 10	9 - 7	5 - 3	1 - 8	6 - 4
	3 - 8	8 - 4	4 - 9	10 - 7	5 - 1	10 - 8	6 - 2	2 - 7	5 - 10
	4 - 7	10 - 6	2 - 10	1 - 4	6 - 9	2 - 5	7 - 1	10 - 9	8 - 2
	5 - 6	1 - 2	6 - 7	2 - 3	7 - 8	3 - 4	4 - 10	4 - 5	9 - 1

## CHAPTER VII: CLUB COMPETITIONS

In addition to these Regulations, all provisions in the FIBA Europe Regulations for European Club Competitions and the relevant FIBA Internal Regulations as well as the Official Basketball Rules, are valid in their entirety.

Agreements by clubs are considered as having been made with the approval of their National Federation. Therefore, the National Federations shall be held responsible for having these agreements respected.

### 74. FIBA EUROPE CLUB COMPETITIONS

The FIBA Europe Club Competitions shall be administered according to the Regulations for European Club Competitions.

74.1. The FIBA Europe Club Competitions for Men's and Women's clubs shall be:

1. **FEC** - FIBA Europe Cup
2. **ELW** - EuroLeague Women
3. **ECW** - EuroCup Women

74.2. FIBA Europe has the obligation:

1. to approve the games
2. to administer the competition
3. to supervise the discipline of players, clubs and any other person involved with the organisation of the FIBA Europe Club Competitions.

For all disciplinary sanctions governing the FIBA Europe Club Competitions, FIBA Europe delegates its power to a person chosen to be judge and to take all decisions in the [first instance](#).

### 75. FIBA EUROPE PLAYER LICENCES

- All provisions listed in Chapters XII and XIII are valid in their entirety.
- The National Federation is responsible for its players at all times and will bear the consequences of any infraction of the Regulations governing Eligibility, National Status, International Transfer and the Age of Players.
- National Federations must register all foreign players in their country. All foreign players playing for clubs taking part in the first or second division of the national championship must be in possession of the Foreign Player "A" Licence, unless the player is already in possession of the Player "B" Licence for the FIBA Europe Club Competitions for men's and women's clubs.

#### 75.1. National Federations must annually:

- a. Obtain a FIBA Foreign Player "A" Licence from the FIBA Regional Office for all foreign players participating in the first and second division of the national championship. After the National Federations have registered players for their respective national championship, they have a period of ten (10) days within which the documents required to obtain an "A" Licence must be uploaded into the FIBA Management Administration Platform (MAP) and the corresponding licence request submitted. Failure to abide by this deadline will incur a fine.
- b. Obtain a FIBA Player "B" Licence for those players participating in FIBA European Club Competitions.

#### 75.2. FIBA Foreign Player "A" Licence procedure

75.2.1 The National Federations must obtain a FIBA Foreign Player "A" Licence from FIBA Europe for those foreign players participating in the first and second divisions of their national championship. This licence is issued by FIBA Europe and certifies that the player is authorised to play for the club indicated on the licence.

75.2.2 To obtain a FIBA Foreign Player "A" Licence from FIBA Europe, each National Federation must request the corresponding licence in the FIBA Management Administration Platform (MAP) and upload all the necessary eligibility documents:

1. Photocopy of the player's passport showing the bearer's full name [and, if applicable, former name(s)], date and place of birth, legal nationality and date of expiry
2. Letter of clearance and/or first registration procedure and/or first registration procedure (where applicable) to be completed and approved in the FIBA Information System in accordance with the FIBA Internal Regulations governing International Transfer of Players.

75.2.3 Prior to the start of each season, FIBA Europe shall establish a deadline for the registration of players under its jurisdiction.

### 75.3. FIBA Player "B" Licence

- 75.3.1 The National Federations must obtain a FIBA Player "B" Licence from FIBA Europe for all players participating in the FIBA Europe Club Competitions for men's and women's clubs. The FIBA Player "B" Licence is issued by FIBA Europe upon the request of the National Federation. It certifies that the player is registered for the club playing in the FIBA Europe Club Competition indicated on the licence. The FIBA Player "B" Licence is valid for one (1) season.
- 75.3.2 To obtain a Player "B" Licence from FIBA Europe, the Regulations for the FIBA Europe Club Competitions shall apply.
- 75.3.3 In the case of foreign players, the FIBA Player "B" Licence also serves as a FIBA Foreign Player "A" Licence for the national championship of the country of the club indicated on the licence. In this case such a licence shall only be issued in accordance with the provisions of the FIBA Internal Regulations governing the International Transfer of Players.

### 75.4. Players from Academic Institutions and Other Organisations

Refer to FIBA Internal Regulations - Book 3 - Players and Officials.

## 76. FINANCIAL PROVISIONS

### 76.1. FIBA Foreign Player "A" Licence

- 76.1.1 FIBA Europe may charge a participation fee for each foreign player in the first and second divisions of the national championships as follows:

Participation fee "A":

↘ for men's clubs: **EUR 250**

↘ for women's clubs: **EUR 125**

In special cases, the FIBA Executive Director Europe may apply a lower fee for a limited period.

### 76.2. FIBA Player "B" Licence

- 76.2.1 FIBA Europe may charge a participation fee for each player in the FIBA Europe Club Competitions for men's and women's clubs as stated in the Regulations for the FIBA Europe Club Competitions governing the respective League/Cup.
- 76.2.2 A player who has obtained a FIBA Player "B" Licence does not need a separate FIBA Foreign Player "A" Licence, provided that he/she continues to play for the club for which the "B" licence was issued.

## 77. SANCTIONS

FIBA Foreign Player "A" Licences: failure to submit to the office of FIBA Europe the list of foreign players with the necessary information and documentation by the given deadline a fine of a minimum of EUR 5,000 shall be imposed to the National Federation.

## 78. DISPUTES

All disputes and cases arising from these Regulations remain under the exclusive jurisdiction of FIBA Europe.

## 79. APPEAL

Any appeal against decisions relating to these Regulations shall be submitted to the FIBA Appeals' Panel according to the FIBA Internal Regulations - Book 1 - General Provisions (Chapter 8 - Appeals).

## **CHAPTER VIII: NATIONAL STATUS OF PLAYERS**

Please refer to the FIBA Internal Regulations, Book 3 - Players and Officials (Articles 10 - 32).

### **80. SUPPLEMENTARY ELIGIBILITY CONCEPT FOR "CITY-COUNTRIES"**

80.1. The following supplementary eligibility concept will apply for the "city-countries" Andorra, Gibraltar, Principality of Monaco and San Marino. Athletes from these four "city countries" who do not have the corresponding legal nationality must present the following documents

1. Certificate of permanent residence the last three (3) years to be issued by the official authorities of the country.
2. Certificate issued by the respective National Federation confirming the athlete's continuous sports activity for a local team for the last three (3) years.
3. For participation in the **Division C** U16 and U18 categories only:
  - a. Certificate of permanent residence for the last three (3) years to be issued by the official authorities of the country **OR**, if resident inside a radius of twenty (20) km from the "city country", a certificate of permanent residence issued by the official authorities of the place of residence.
  - b. Certificate of attendance at a school in the "city country", **OR** the place of residence within twenty (20) km to be issued by the appropriate educational authorities.
  - c. Certificate by the National Federation as per 2. above.

### **81. DECISIONS**

All decision will be taken in accordance with Article 29 of the FIBA Internal Regulations Book 3 (Players and Officials).



## **CHAPTER IX: INTERNATIONAL TRANSFER OF PLAYERS, LICENCE RESTRICTIONS, SANCTIONS**

Please refer to the FIBA Internal Regulations, Book 3 - Players and Officials (Chapter 2).

### **82. LICENCE RESTRICTIONS**

- 82.1. A player may not be licensed by more than one National Federation at the same time. In order to receive a [FIBA Europe Player Licence](#), a player **must** have a [valid contract](#) with a club registered with FIBA Europe, with the obligation to play for this club.
- 82.2. A player may not have more than one FIBA Foreign Player Licence at the same time. A FIBA Foreign Player Licence is issued for the duration of the national and international competitions in which the player's club is currently participating, unless the player is transferred in accordance with these Regulations prior to the completion of the competitions.

## **CHAPTER X: PLAYERS' AVAILABILITY TO PLAY FOR A NATIONAL TEAM**

Please refer to the FIBA Internal Regulations, Book 3 - Players and Officials (Articles 33 -51).

### **83. SANCTIONS**

83.1. If a player, after having been duly summoned, does not appear for the whole period defined by their national federation to play for a national team of their own country for whatever reason (including injury or illness), this player shall not be permitted to participate in European Club Competitions in the territory under the jurisdiction of FIBA Europe, for the duration of the following playing season.

The decision shall be taken by the FIBA Executive Director Europe in consultation with the Chairman of the Legal Committee upon notification by the national federation involved.

The player has the right to be heard and the decision is subject to appeal according to the FIBA Internal Regulations governing appeal procedures (Book 1, Chapter 8).

83.2. If a club refuses to release a player, the club shall not be permitted to participate in European Club Competitions for the duration of the playing season following the refusal and is liable to: A fine of EUR 30,000 up to EUR 80,000.

The decision shall be taken by the FIBA Executive Director Europe in consultation with the Chairman of the Legal Committee upon notification by the national federation involved.

The club and the player have the right to be heard and the decision is subject to appeal according to the FIBA Europe appeal procedures.

83.3. Should a national federation act against the spirit and/or the letter of this provision, this national federation is liable to: A fine of EUR 30,000 up to EUR 80,000.

83.4. Should a club be penalised in accordance with article 83.2. the national federation of this club is responsible for carrying out the sanctions mentioned in article 83.2 above.

In the event that a club fails to settle its debts with FIBA Europe, FIBA Europe shall be authorised to collect these debts from the national federation to which the club is affiliated.

Exception: If a club is penalised by the local law in accordance with 83.2.

## CHAPTER XI: AGE OF PLAYERS

### 84. DEFINITION

An age limit is established for all players of teams participating in competitions of FIBA Europe open to the younger age groups. The following age groups are established:

**U14: 14 years** or under

**U16: 16 years** or under

**U18: 18 years** or under

**U20: 20 years** or under

### 85. PROCEDURE TO ESTABLISH AGE LIMIT:

To establish the date of birth corresponding to the age limit for an age group, the following procedure is used: the age limit given in the above definition must be subtracted from the year in which a competition takes place with the understanding that this year begins on **1<sup>st</sup> January**.

**Example:** the age limit for **U18** in a competition in **2023** shall be: **2023 - 18 = 2005**. Any player born on **1<sup>st</sup> January 2005** or after this date will be entitled to participate in a competition for **U18** in **2023**.

The age limit in **2023** for the four (4) age groups is therefore the following:

**U14:** born on **1<sup>st</sup> January 2009** or after this date

**U16:** born on **1<sup>st</sup> January 2007** or after this date

**U18:** born on **1<sup>st</sup> January 2005** or after this date

**U20:** born on **1<sup>st</sup> January 2003** or after this date

Age limits for participation in competitions for **U20**, **U18** and **U16**:

<b>BORN IN:</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>2004</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>2009</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2011</b>
<b>U20</b>												
<b>2022</b>												
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## **CHAPTER XII: ELIGIBILITY**

### **86. ELIGIBILITY OF PLAYERS**

Please refer to the FIBA Internal Regulations - Book 3 - Players and Officials (Chapter 1 - Art. 1-9) and to Chapter VIII of these Regulations.

### **87. YOUTH COMPETITIONS**

A player who has participated in **two (2)** main official youth FIBA Europe/FIBA competitions in a calendar year will not be eligible to play any other main official youth competition of FIBA Europe in the same calendar year.

## **CHAPTER XIII : ACCOMPANYING TEAM DELEGATION MEMBERS AND TEAM DELEGATION ROSTER**

### **88. ACCOMPANYING TEAM DELEGATION MEMBERS**

- 88.1 An accompanying team delegation member is a person with special responsibilities in relation to a team (e.g. team manager, assistant coach, doctor, physiotherapist, statistician, interpreter, etc.) and with access to the court and the team bench.
- 88.2 Participation of accompanying team delegation members in FIBA National Team Competitions is subject to registration in the FIBA Information System and approval by FIBA/FIBA Europe.
- 88.3 Each National Member Federation shall ensure that its Preliminary and Final Team Delegation Roster (see article 89 below) includes an appropriately qualified and licensed physician, preferably with demonstrated experience in sport medicine (a "Team Doctor").
- 88.4 All Team Doctors shall:
- practice evidence-based medicine in accordance with the highest standards of ethical behaviour as determined by their licensing authority or the FIBA Medical Commission;
  - follow all medical guidelines developed by the FIBA Medical Commission, which may include the management of bleeding and non-bleeding wounds, concussion, player collapse, medical evacuation and any other basketball-relevant urgent medical matters as determined by FIBA; and
  - ensure that only medically fit players are permitted to compete in a Competition of FIBA.

### **89. PRELIMINARY TEAM DELEGATION ROSTER REGISTRATION**

- 89.1 Participation of team delegation members in FIBA National Team Competitions is subject to registration of a team delegation roster that includes all (a.) players; (b.) coaches; and (c.) any other accompanying team delegation members, including Team Doctors (as relevant, see articles 88.4, and 89.5 below) in the FIBA Information System, and validation and approval of this Team Delegation Roster by FIBA/FIBA Europe.
- 89.2 In principle, online registration of the Preliminary Team Delegation Roster on the FIBA Information System opens no later than sixty (60) days prior to the Start of the Competition (see article 89.4 below). National Member Federations shall use best efforts to begin the registration process as soon as possible after online registration opens.
- 89.3 Online registration of the Preliminary Team Delegation Roster on the FIBA Information System shall close seven (7) days prior to the Start of the Competition (see article 89.4 below). No further modifications may be made to the Preliminary Team Delegation Roster after this deadline.
- 89.4 The "Start of the Competition" shall be understood as follows:
- The first day of the Competition, for all Competitions played as a single tournament (e.g. FIBA (Women's) EuroBasket, Youth European Championships, etc.); or
  - The first day of the relevant International Window Period (see article 1-1 of the FIBA Internal Regulation Book 1) in which a round of the relevant Competition is played in separate phases during the International Window Periods.
- 89.5 National Member Federations are entitled to register the following team delegation members on the Preliminary Team Delegation Roster:
- Maximum of twenty-four (24) players;
  - Maximum of ten (10) coaches. For female Youth Category Competitions, at least one of the coaches registered must be female; and
  - Maximum of fifteen (15) accompanying team delegation members, as follows:
    - Minimum of one (1) Team Doctor (see article 88.3) for Senior National Team Competitions (except Small Countries). It is strongly recommended to include a Team Doctor for Youth Category Competitions; and
    - Fourteen (14) other accompanying team delegation members.
- 89.6 After a National Member Federation completes the registration process by entering mandatory data and uploading mandatory documents for its team delegation members, FIBA/FIBA Europe may validate and approve the Preliminary Team Delegation Roster in accordance with Book 3, Chapter 1 of the FIBA Internal Regulations.

### **90. FINAL TEAM DELEGATION ROSTER REGISTRATION**

- 90.1 Each National Member Federation shall submit a Final Team Delegation Roster at the latest at the Technical Meeting of the teams prior to the beginning of the competition (articles 3-20 and 3-121 of the FIBA Internal Regulations apply). No further modifications may be made to the Final Team Delegation Roster after submission.

- 90.2 Unless stated otherwise in the relevant Handbook or in guidelines issued by FIBA/FIBA Europe, the Final Team Delegation Roster shall be composed of a maximum of twenty-five (25) persons as follows:
- a) Minimum ten (10) and maximum twelve (12) players out of the twenty-four (24) players appearing on the Preliminary Team Delegation Roster approved by FIBA/FIBA Europe under article 89.5;  
**Note:** National Member Federations may include in the Final Team Delegation Roster a maximum of one (1) player who has acquired or laid claim to the nationality of the player's country after the age of sixteen (16) (see article 3-20 of the FIBA Internal Regulations).
  - b) Minimum two (2) and maximum three (3) coaches (one of whom must be the Head Coach) out of the maximum ten (10) coaches in the Preliminary Team Delegation Roster approved by FIBA/FIBA Europe under article 89.6. For female Youth Category Competitions, at least one of the coaches registered must be female; and
  - c) Additional accompanying Team Delegation members out of the fifteen (15) accompanying Team Delegation members in the Preliminary Team Delegation Roster approved by FIBA/FIBA Europe under article 89.6, as follows:
    - i) Minimum of one (1) Team Doctor (see article 88.3) for Senior National Team Competitions (except Small Countries). It is strongly recommended to include a Team Doctor for Youth Category Competitions; and
    - ii) Other accompanying team delegation members, in compliance with the maximum number of persons permitted on the Final Team Delegation Roster (see above).
- 90.3 Any player and/or coach validated and approved by FIBA/FIBA Europe on the Preliminary Team Delegation Roster, and not declared as a player or a coach on the Final Team Delegation Roster, can be selected as an accompanying Team Delegation member on the Final Team Delegation Roster, considering the maximum limit of twenty-five (25) persons allowed.
- 90.4 Only a maximum of twenty-one (21) members of the Final Team Delegation Roster shall be permitted courtside access to the team bench starting fifteen (15) minutes prior to game time until the end of the game.
- 90.5 A Team Doctor shall be included in the twenty-one (21) members with courtside access as set forth in article 90.4. The National Member Federation shall ensure that at all times during the game, this Team Doctor has access to a place on the team bench with clear visibility of the court and where the Team Doctor is immediately available for urgent or emergency medical treatment.
- 90.6 The head of the team delegation must bring to the Technical Meeting and submit to the Technical Delegate or Commissioner
- a) the valid passports of all team delegation members;
  - b) a printed version of the Final Team Delegation Roster printed from the FIBA Information System including
    - i) the signatures of all team delegation members (for minors in addition, the signature of the parent/guardian is mandatory);
    - ii) the players' numbers; and
    - iii) the name of the captain.
- Special Provisions for the Qualifiers taking place during an International Window Period
- 90.7 The following provisions apply to the FIBA EuroBasket Qualifiers and FIBA Women's EuroBasket Qualifiers, which will be played during specific International Window Periods determined by FIBA.
- 90.8 Unless stated otherwise in the relevant handbook or guidelines issued by FIBA, the Final Team Delegation Roster shall be composed of a maximum of twenty-one (21) persons as follows:
- a) Minimum ten (10) and maximum twelve (12) players out of the twenty-four (24) players validated and approved by FIBA/FIBA Europe in the Preliminary Team Delegation Roster;  
**Note:** National Member Federations may include in the Final Team Delegation Roster a maximum of one (1) player who has acquired or laid claim to the nationality of the player's country after the age of sixteen (16) (see article 3-20).
  - b) Minimum two (2) and maximum three (3) coaches (one of whom must be the Head Coach) out of the maximum ten (10) coaches in the Preliminary Team Delegation Roster approved by FIBA under article 89.6; and
  - c) Additional accompanying Team Delegation Members out of the fifteen (15) accompanying Team Delegation members in the Preliminary Team Delegation Roster approved by FIBA/FIBA Europe under article 89.6, as follows:
    - i) Minimum of one (1) Team Doctor (see article 88.3); and
    - ii) Other accompanying team delegation members, in compliance with the maximum number of persons permitted on the Final Team Delegation Roster (see above).

## **91. COMPOSITION OF TEAMS**

For all games at FIBA Europe Competitions, teams shall consist of a minimum of ten (10) players and a maximum of twelve (12) players, whose names shall be inscribed on the scoresheet. These players must be present at the beginning of the game.

## **92. ENTRY FORMS**

Each National Federation shall print the Preliminary or Final Team Delegation Roster from the MAP in advance and ensure that all players, coaches and accompanying delegation members have duly signed the generated collective Entry Form before submitting it to the Commissioner or Technical Delegate for verification. For under-age players, please note that the Entry Form must be counter-signed by the parent/legal guardian.

## **93. REGISTRATION OF PLAYERS**

Within the deadline for submitting the Preliminary Team Delegation Roster for approval as provided in article 89.3, National Member Federations shall enter all mandatory data of their players in the FIBA Information System and upload the following

- a) A colour copy of the birth certificate;
- b) A colour copy of the passport;
- c) One (1) colour passport-size photograph, which shall be no more than three (3) months old at the time of submission;
- d) Other information and/or documentation required by FIBA/FIBA Europe.

A player who has participated in two (2) main official youth FIBA Europe/FIBA competitions in a calendar year will not be eligible to play any other main official youth competition of FIBA Europe in the same calendar year.

## **94. IDENTITY AND AGE VERIFICATION**

Before the beginning of a competition, Team Delegation members will be subject to identity (and age, where applicable) verification under the supervision of the Commissioner or Technical Delegate for that competition.

The Commissioner or Technical Delegate shall verify the currently valid individual passport and FIBA Preliminary/Final Team Delegation Roster. After this verification, the Commissioner or Technical Delegate shall return the documents to the head of the team delegation.

## **95. REGISTRATION OF COACHES**

- 95.1 National Member Federations must register all their head coaches and assistant coaches, who shall be WABC (World Association of Basketball Coaches) members, in the FIBA Information System.
- 95.2 To be registered as a WABC member, the coach must comply with the procedure laid down in Chapter 4 (Coaches) Book 3 of the FIBA Internal Regulations.
- 95.3 National Member Federations must enter mandatory data and upload the following documents in the FIBA Information System:
  - a) A certified copy of the coach's passport showing the full name (and, if applicable, the coach's former name[s]), date and place of birth, legal nationality and the date of expiry of the passport;
  - b) One (1) colour passport-sized photograph, which shall be no more than three (3) months old at the time of submission;
  - c) Other information and/or documentation required by FIBA/WABC.

## **96. REGISTRATION OF ACCOMPANYING TEAM DELEGATION MEMBERS**

- 96.1 National Member Federations must register all their accompanying team delegation members in the FIBA Information System.
- 96.2 National Member Federations must enter mandatory data and upload the following documents in the FIBA Information System:
  - a) A certified copy of the accompanying team delegation member's passport showing the full name (and, if applicable, any former name[s]), date and place of birth, legal nationality and the date of expiry of the passport;
  - b) One (1) colour passport-size photograph, which shall be no more than three (3) months old at the time of submission; and
  - c) Other information and/or documentation required by FIBA/FIBA Europe

## **97. RESPONSIBILITY OF NATIONAL FEDERATIONS**

- 97.1 The National Member Federation is at all times strictly liable for the eligibility of all persons registered on the Preliminary and Final Team Delegation Rosters. This responsibility applies also with respect to the veracity of information and authenticity of documentation submitted to FIBA through any means.
- 97.2 Upon discovery that a player has played or another team delegation member has participated in a Competition of FIBA without being eligible, FIBA will initiate an inquiry to establish such person's eligibility and possible disciplinary consequences according to the FIBA Internal Regulations.
- 97.3 National Member Federations will bear the administrative costs of the inquiry provided for in Art. 97.2 and may be subject to disciplinary consequences in accordance with Book 1, Chapter 6 (Sanctions) of the FIBA Internal Regulations.
- 97.4 In exceptional cases, the FIBA Secretary General may authorise a player to play under the status the player had before the irregularity was discovered.

## CHAPTER XIV: INTERNATIONAL REFEREES

### 98. QUALIFICATION AND NOMINATION

#### 98.1. License and Qualification

Please refer to the FIBA Internal Regulations, Book 3 - Players and Officials - Chapter 6 (Art. 158 - 171).

#### 98.2. Nomination

All games of the main official competitions, cups and tournaments of FIBA Europe shall be officiated by FIBA Referees.

#### 98.3. Responsibility for Nomination

For all main official competitions of FIBA Europe, the FIBA Executive Director Europe will nominate the accompanying referees and each participating federation must include this international referee in its delegation. The accompanying referees must report either to the FIBA Europe Representative or FIBA Commissioner/FIBA Technical Delegate at least twenty-four (24) hours before the start of the competition. In addition, the FIBA Executive Director Europe shall nominate international referees who will be neutral. FIBA's right to nominate a certain number of referees from another continent to the same competition is reserved.

#### 98.4. European Championships and Official Cups and Tournaments of FIBA Europe

For European Championships and for all official Cups and Tournaments of FIBA Europe, the FIBA Executive Director Europe shall nominate the number of neutral FIBA referees necessary for the competition.

In principle these neutral FIBA referees shall be of nationalities other than those of the teams entered in the competition. The number of neutral FIBA referees nominated for the tournament depends on the accompanying referees' availability. For international tournaments recognised by FIBA Europe, the organisers may ask the FIBA Executive Director Europe to nominate the number of FIBA referees they consider necessary.

For international university games and regional games involving European countries only, the organisers may ask the FIBA Executive Director Europe to nominate the number of FIBA referees necessary for the competition. The organisers are responsible for the travel and staying expenses, as well as for the officiating fees. For friendly international games between national teams, FIBA referees shall be nominated in accordance with the FIBA Internal Regulations, Book 3 - Players and Officials (Art. 184-185).

#### 98.5. Nomination Procedure

Please refer to the FIBA Internal Regulations, Book 3 - Players and Officials (Art. 180-186).

### 99. TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS

Travel arrangements for international referees are subject to the following provisions:

- For a journey less than six hours by train: a 1<sup>st</sup> class return ticket without sleeping accommodation.
- For a journey more than six hours by train: a 1<sup>st</sup> class return ticket with sleeping accommodation (double).
- For an overnight journey by train: a 1<sup>st</sup> class return ticket with sleeping accommodation (double).
- For a journey using any other means: the price of a train 1<sup>st</sup> class return ticket.
- If the official decides on air travel, the reimbursement shall cover the airfare in economy class (unless otherwise stated).

**Note 1:** Where no air or rail links exist, referees may travel by car and are allowed to claim EUR 0.35 per km.

**Note 2:** The organiser shall reimburse any fees for visas.

### 100. OFFICIATING FEES AND EXPENSES

For all FIBA Europe National Team Competitions, the organisers shall pay the officiating fees as well as board and lodging to all the officials nominated, including the referees accompanying the teams (whose travel expenses are covered by their own National Federation). Referees and Commissioners must be located in a separate hotel from any of the participating teams (club or national team competitions) for the duration of their stay.

If an official has to purchase the ticket for his/her travel and cover part of his/her travel expenses in a currency other than that of the organisers, reimbursement of this part of the expenses shall be in the currency of the official's country or in any convertible currency. If the organiser provides a pre-paid ticket, the arrival must be the day before the competition and the departure the day after the competition.



In addition to the reimbursement of their travel expenses, the official shall receive an officiating fee according to the following scale:

**FIBA Europe Referees, Commissioners and Instructors**
**Single Games (National Teams)**

<b>FIBA EuroBasket Qualifiers</b>	Referees	500 €
	Technical Delegates	800 €
<b>Pre-Qualifiers Men</b>	Referees	400 €
	Commissioners	400 €
<b>FIBA Women's EuroBasket Qualifiers</b>	Referees	500 €
	Technical Delegates	500 €

**Tournaments (EuroBasket & Women's EuroBasket)**

<b>FIBA EuroBasket</b>	Referees, Commissioners & Instructors	2.000 € (1.000 € per stage)
<b>FIBA Women's EuroBasket</b>	Referees, Commissioners & Instructors	1.500 € (750€ per stage)

**Tournaments (Youth & Small Countries)**

<b>Youth ECs Divisions A &amp; B</b>	Referees	750 €
	Commissioners (& Instructors)	750 €
	Crew Chief Commissioner	950 €
<b>Youth ECs Divisions C</b>	Referees	400 € / 500 €
	Commissioners (& Instructors)	400 € / 500 €
	Crew Chief Commissioner	500 € / 600 €
	(400 € up to 5 game days / 500 € for more than 5 game days)	
<b>Small Countries Men/Women</b>	Referees	400 € / 500 €
	Commissioners (& Instructors)	400 € / 500 €
	Crew Chief Commissioner	400 € / 500 €
	(400 € up to 5 game days / 500 € for more than 5 game days)	

**Note 1:** Referees are responsible for any tax obligations arising from the payment of the officiating fees and expenses.

**Note 2:** All Official FIBA Europe Competitions will be organised with three (3) Person Officiating (3PO).

**FIBA Europe Clinics for Referees, Commissioners and Instructors:**

The organisers shall pay:

- travel expenses
- staying expenses
- fee of each instructor: **100 € per day** (net of all taxes)

**101. DUTIES**

- 101.1. In addition to the duties of FIBA referees set out in the FIBA Internal Regulations, Book 3 - Players and Officials (Art. 174-179), the provisions of this Article shall apply when FIBA Europe nominates a FIBA referee.
- 101.2. During a championship, the FIBA referee must obey the dress code determined by FIBA Europe or, in the absence of a dress code, he must be always appropriately dressed. Once the international referee is nominated to a specific game, he shall arrive at the sport hall dressed in formal attire. If the referee is not nominated for the game he may wear leisure clothing. If a commercial partner has supplied such clothing then the referee must wear this clothing.
- 101.3. The main duties of international referees are as follows:
  - To make certain that the interests of all of the teams are in no way adversely affected.
  - To inspect and approve all of the equipment to be used during the given game.
  - To designate the official game clock, 24-second device and recognise the table officials as such.
  - Not to permit any player to wear equipment which is not permitted under the Official Basketball Rules or which may cause injury.
  - To make decisions on any point not specifically covered by the basketball rules.

- ↘ To stop the game when conditions warrant it.
  - ↘ To examine the score sheet at the end of the playing time or at any time when necessary.
  - ↘ If deemed necessary, to make a report on the game. This shall be done immediately after the end of the game and handed to the commissioner if present or send it directly to the FIBA Executive Director Europe.
- 101.4. The FIBA referee must ascertain before the start of the game that the scoresheet conforms to the model approved by FIBA Europe and complies with Annex B of the Official Basketball Rules (“Scoresheet”) as clarified in Article 131.4.  
If the FIBA commissioner is not present before the start of the game, the FIBA referee shall ensure that all the players whose names appear on the scoresheet have been confirmed by FIBA/FIBA Europe as eligible in the MAP report. If that is not the case, they shall report this to FIBA Europe.
- 101.5. The participation of FIBA referees at any type of organised social function during the championship requires prior approval from the FIBA Executive Director Europe.
- 101.6. FIBA referees are prohibited from accepting gifts of any kind from National Federations or clubs, whether offered directly or indirectly via any third party (such as sponsor or host organiser). In the event that any gift(s) is/are offered to any official, the gifts shall be refused and the Commissioner shall be informed accordingly.
- 101.7. FIBA referees are prohibited from drinking alcohol and smoking in public areas during the nomination to any game/ championship.

## **102. TRANSFER, RESIGNATION AND DISMISSAL**

Please refer to the FIBA Internal Regulations, Book 3 - Players and Officials (Art. 172-173).

## **CHAPTER XV: COMMISSIONERS**

### **103. QUALIFICATION AND NOMINATION**

#### 103.1. License and Qualification

Please refer to the FIBA Internal Regulations, Book 3 - Players and Officials - Chapter 6 (Art. 219-227).

#### 103.2. Nomination

In the event that it is deemed necessary or is provided for by the Regulations of a competition, the FIBA Executive Director Europe or his representative shall nominate one or several commissioners. One of the commissioners may be designated as the Official Representative of FIBA Europe for a tournament or European Championship.

#### 103.3. Nomination Procedure

The provisions for the nomination of FIBA Referees in FIBA Europe competitions (see Article 103.2 above) apply mutatis mutandis to the nomination of FIBA Commissioners.

In certain cases, the FIBA Executive Director Europe may delegate the nomination of the commissioner to the competent National Federation.

### **104. DUTIES**

104.1. In addition to the duties of FIBA Commissioners set out in the FIBA Internal Regulations, Book 3 - Players and Officials - Articles 228-232, the provisions of this Article shall apply when FIBA Europe nominates a FIBA commissioner.

104.2. The commissioner represents and acts on behalf of the FIBA Executive Director Europe.

104.3. The duties of the commissioner are as follows:

- during the game to be seated at the scorer's table between the timekeeper and the scorer
- if information is requested by the referees during or at the end of the game, to supply such information. Any final decision rests with the referees
- secure and distribute the respective copies of the scoresheet to the teams in real time during the game and/or ensure the transmission of results and statistics to the office of FIBA Europe immediately after the game
- verify the Final Team Delegation List and passport of the players, coaches and delegation members at the Technical Meeting with the teams.
- if necessary, make a report of the game immediately after the end of the game and hand it to the President of the Technical Committee or the FIBA Europe representative
- closely cooperate at any time with the FIBA Europe representative
- during a Championship, to obey the dress code determined by FIBA Europe or, in the absence of a dress code, he must be always appropriately dressed.
- when on duty, to wear formal attire (preferably in a dark colour)

104.4. The commissioner shall send to the FIBA Executive Director Europe without delay any claim or protest received from one of the parties involved, adding any information that he may deem relevant.

104.5. Having completed his/her duties, the commissioner shall make a report on the competition and send it immediately together with the scoresheet(s) and classification of teams to the office of FIBA Europe by airmail and, if necessary, by special delivery.

104.6. Commissioners are prohibited from accepting gifts of any kind from National Federations or clubs, whether offered directly or indirectly via any third party (such as sponsor or host organiser).

In the event that any gift(s) is/are offered to the commissioner(s) and/or referee(s) and/or any official, the gifts shall be refused and the commissioner shall include the incident in the official Incident Report.

104.7. Commissioners are prohibited from drinking alcohol and smoking in public areas during the nomination to any game/championship.

104.8. Those commissioners nominated to the competition, who are off-duty for the given game, will be seated in the VIP tribune.

### **105. FINANCIAL PROVISIONS**

The provisions stated in the articles 99 & 100 shall apply.

## CHAPTER XVI: TECHNICAL MEETINGS

### 106. TECHNICAL MEETING WITH THE COMMISSIONERS AND REFEREES

The meeting between the FIBA Europe representative and all nominated officials will be held on [the day prior to the first game\(s\)](#) or alternatively on the first game day of all official national team competitions and club competitions Final Fours.

Each official must receive in advance the following information about the meeting:

- Date, time and place of the meeting
- Agenda of the meeting

### 107. TECHNICAL MEETING WITH TEAM DELEGATIONS (TOURNAMENTS)

107.1. The Technical Meeting with the teams will be held on [the day prior to the first game\(s\)](#) of a national team competition and club competitions Final Fours in the hotel where the teams are staying. It is **obligatory** for the Heads of Delegation to attend the Technical Meeting. Non-attendance will be sanctioned with an administrative fine according to article 127.3.

107.2. Either via the first bulletin or upon the arrival of the teams to the venue (city) or at the latest immediately after their check-in at the hotel, the head of each delegation (must be fluent in English) must receive from the organisers the written invitation for the Technical Meeting with the following information:

1. Date, time and place of the meeting
2. Number and positions of persons per team requested to participate at the meeting
3. Agenda of the meeting
4. the request to bring to the meeting the following:
  - Final Team Delegation Roster from MAP
  - Passports of all twelve (12) players, all coaches & delegation members
  - Collective entry forms with signatures of all twelve (12) players (incl. parents' signature for minors), all coaches and delegation members
  - One (1) sample of each set of the players' uniforms (dark and light) and one (1) warm-up shirt

107.3. The Technical Meeting will be held in each of the cities (venues) of the Preliminary Round.

107.4. During the Technical Meeting, a Technical Committee and a Jury of Appeal will be appointed unless decided otherwise by FIBA Europe. (see articles 17.2 and 17.3)

107.5. During the Technical Meeting, the FIBA Commissioner(s) will verify the players' passports. Each team will provide the FIBA Commissioner(s) with the Final Team Delegation Roster from MAP. At the time of the verification of players' passports, each team must provide the FIBA Commissioner(s) with the **final selection of twelve (12) players** with uniform numbers for the championship.

107.6. For national team competitions, each team will provide the FIBA Commissioners(s) with the Collective Entry Form duly signed by all delegation members. Otherwise they will not be accredited for the championship.

107.7. Once the Technical Meeting is declared closed, no changes to the composition of the teams (twelve (12) players) can be made at any time during the championship. The players cannot internally (within the team) exchange the number of their uniforms during the entire championship.

107.8. Once the Technical Meeting is declared closed, the confirmed team rosters will be officially made known to the public.

## **CHAPTER XVII: SANCTIONS FOR NATIONAL TEAM COMPETITIONS**

For the home and away games of the European Championships, all disciplinary sanctions as mentioned in this section of the Regulations, are decided upon in the **first instance** by a person chosen by FIBA Europe to be judge. This judge shall have a nationality different from that of the national team(s) concerned.

### **First Instance:**

The judge shall take all decisions concerning sanctions within ten (10) days following receipt of the commissioner's report or any pertinent information by the office of FIBA Europe. However, before their decision is taken, they are free to consult anyone involved in the game.

An appeal is possible in accordance with Article 129.

### **108. PLAYERS, COACHES, ASSISTANT COACHES AND TEAM FOLLOWERS**

108.1. Players, coaches, assistant coaches, and team followers with special responsibilities (e.g., but not restricted to manager, doctor, physiotherapist, statistician, interpreter as defined on the Official Basketball Rules), or any accredited members of the delegations.

108.2. If a player or one of the persons listed above, commits an infraction for which they could be subject to disciplinary sanctions, the commissioner and/or one/or both of the referees shall send a written report to the office of FIBA Europe within twelve (12) hours following the game.

The sanctions foreseen in Art. 109 - 111 may be imposed.

108.3. Coaches and Assistant Coaches should be appropriately dressed.

108.4. If a coach or player fails to participate to a duly convened press conference or fails to pass through the designated Mixed Zone area immediately after the game: a fine of EUR 1,000.

108.5. If during a press conference **or to any media**, a person listed above makes derogatory remarks which could harm the competition or the image of FIBA Europe: a fine of up to EUR 50,000.

108.6. If during a press conference or to any media, a person listed above makes remarks of any kind about the game officials or the officiating: a fine of up to EUR 30,000.

108.7. If one (1) or more of the persons listed above acts in a manner which harms the image of FIBA Europe or causes physical damage to structures (dressing rooms, hotel, etc.): a fine of up to EUR 20,000 and any damage shall be paid in full.

108.8. If two (2) or more teams intentionally agree on the winner and/or the concrete result of a game/s or take any action that brings the game into disrepute and/or damages the image of FIBA Europe, the authorised body shall impose an immediate sanction.

The sanctions shall be:

1. A fine against National Federations involved of a minimum of EUR 25,000 and of a maximum of EUR 50,000

2. The immediate suspension of the head coach of a team/s and Head/s of Delegation for the rest of the tournament

FIBA Europe is authorised to impose against anybody involved a further suspension of a maximum of three (3) years from all international competitions organised under its control.

An appeal against such a decision must be lodged within twelve (12) hours from the time the decision is submitted to the parties involved and must be accompanied by a non-refundable fee of EUR 3,000.

108.9. Recurrence of 108.4 - 108.8:

The fine shall be at least doubled each time.

### **109. MENACING, INTIMIDATING OR SERIOUS MISBEHAVIOUR ON PART OF THE PLAYERS**

109.1. Towards the referees, commissioner, FIBA Europe representative or table officials:

A fine of 1,000 to EUR 25,000 and/or disqualification for one (1) to three (3) games.

109.2. Towards opponents:

A fine of 1,000 to EUR 25,000 and/or disqualification for one (1) game.

109.3. In the case of a recurrence of menacing, intimidating or serious misbehaviour in the same season, the minimum sanction to be imposed shall be twice the sanction imposed for the first offence; and the maximum sanction shall be:

A fine of EUR 50,000 and/or disqualification for the remainder of the competition.

## **110. ACTS OF VIOLENCE**

- 110.1. Towards the referees, commissioner, FIBA Europe representative or table officials:  
A fine of EUR 2,500 to EUR 10,000 and/or disqualification for a minimum of five (5) games.
- 110.2. Towards opponents, during play:  
A fine of EUR 1,500 to EUR 5,000 and/or disqualification for a minimum of one (1) to three (3) games.
- 110.3. Towards opponents, not during play:  
A fine of EUR 4,000 to EUR 10,000 and/or disqualification for a minimum of two (2) to four (4) games.
- 110.4. In the case of a recurrence of an act of violence in the same season, the minimum sanction to be imposed shall be twice the sanction imposed for the first offence; and the maximum sanction shall be:  
A fine of EUR 20,000 and/or suspension from the current and future competitions indefinitely.
- 110.5. If a player is guilty of an act of violence and subsequently, during the same season is guilty of menacing, intimidating or serious misbehaviour (or vice versa), then the sanction that may be levied for the second of the two offences shall be double that normally permitted for a first offence.

## **111. DISQUALIFICATION OF A PLAYER, COACH, ASSISTANT COACH OR TEAM FOLLOWER WITH SPECIAL RESPONSIBILITIES**

The disqualification imposed shall remain in effect until it has been served in its entirety, regardless of the year of the competition, the type of competition or the National Federation (team) involved.

## **112. TEAMS**

- 112.1. If a team commits an infraction for which it could be subject to disciplinary sanctions, the commissioner and/or one/or both referees shall send a written report to the office of FIBA Europe or the Technical Committee within twelve (12) hours following the game.

## **113. WITHDRAWAL**

- 113.1. If, **before the draw** a National Federation declines to participate after having registered within the FIBA Europe National Team Competitions:
- The National Federation shall be fined up to EUR 15,000.
  - FIBA Europe may replace the National Federation with another and may also impose additional sanctions according to the FIBA Internal Regulations - Book 1 - General Provisions (Chapter 6).
- 113.2. If, **after the draw but before the competition begins**, a National Federation declines to participate:
- The National Federation shall be fined up to EUR 30,000.
  - FIBA Europe may replace the national team with another and may also impose additional sanctions according to the FIBA Internal Regulations - Book 1 - General Provisions (Chapter 6).
- 113.3. If, **after the competition begins**, a National Federation declines to participate:
- The National Federation shall be fined from a minimum of EUR 30,000 up to the amount of the damage caused by the withdrawal. FIBA reserves the right to also impose additional sanctions according to the FIBA Internal Regulations - Book 1 - General Provisions (Chapter 6).
  - all the results of the games played by the withdrawing National Federation are void and will be cancelled.

## **114. FORFEIT**

- 114.1. **First Forfeit:**
- The game is awarded to the opponents,
  - The score shall be twenty to zero (20:0) and
  - The forfeiting team shall receive zero (0) points in the classification.
  - In addition, the National Federation shall be fined up to EUR 80,000.
- 114.2. **Second Forfeit:**
- The national team shall be disqualified for the remainder of that competition and
  - shall also be disqualified for the next competition for which the national team qualifies, and
  - all the results of the games played by the forfeiting National Federation are void and will be cancelled.
  - In addition, the National Federation shall be fined up to EUR 100,000.
- 114.3. For a two-leg (home-and-away) total points series, the national team that forfeits in the first or second game shall lose the series by forfeit.
- 114.4. For a best-of-three games series, if a national team forfeits one (1) game, that national team shall lose the series by forfeit. In addition, the National Federation shall be fined up to EUR 80,000.

## **115. REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES**

- 115.1. If [the organising team forfeits](#), that team is obliged to pay to the office of FIBA Europe the minimum reimbursement of EUR 15,000 and a maximum reimbursement of EUR 30,000 to cover its and the visiting team's expenses.
- 115.2. If [the visiting team forfeits](#), that team is obliged to pay to the office of FIBA Europe the minimum reimbursement of EUR 15,000 and a maximum reimbursement of EUR 30,000 to cover its and the organising team's expenses.
- 115.3. If a team enters the playing court more than fifteen (15) minutes late (except under circumstances beyond its control): the National Federation shall be fined up to EUR 5,000.

## **116. DEFAULT**

- 116.1. A team shall lose a game by default if, during the game, the number of players of that team on the court is less than two (2).
- 116.2. If the game is awarded to the team currently in the lead, then the score when the game was stopped shall remain valid.
- 116.3. If the game is awarded to the team currently not in the lead, then the score shall be recorded as two to zero (2:0) in this team's favour. Furthermore, the defaulting team shall receive one (1) point in the classification.

## **117. USE OF UNLICENSED OR INELIGIBLE PLAYER(S)**

Use of unlicensed or ineligible player(s) as per the current Competitions Regulations of FIBA Europe:

- 117.1. [First Infraction](#): The game is awarded to the opponents of the offending team. If the offending team lost the actual game by more than twenty (20) points, the result shall stand; if not then the game shall be awarded to the opponents of the offending team by a score of twenty to zero (20:0). In either case, the offending team shall receive zero (0) points in the classification. In addition, there shall be a fine of up to EUR 10,000.
- 117.2. [Second Infraction](#): The team shall be disqualified for the remainder of that competition. In addition, there shall be a fine of up to EUR 20,000.

## **118. UNSPORTSMANLIKE BEHAVIOUR ON THE PART OF THE PUBLIC**

Unsportsmanlike behaviour on the part of the public towards opponents (players, coaches, team followers, spectators, etc.) and/or officials (commissioner, referees, FIBA Europe representative or table officials) during games played on the team's home court or another court:

- 118.1. Infractions, menacing or incitement to violence towards opponents or officials:  
A fine of EUR 1,000 to EUR 10,000.
- 118.2. Throwing of objects:  
A fine of EUR 500 to EUR 5,000.
- 118.3. Recurrence of 118.1 to 118.2:  
The sanction shall be at least doubled each time.
- 118.4. Throwing of objects that may cause injury:  
A fine of EUR 1,500 to EUR 30,000 and the team could be liable to play its next home game without spectators.
- 118.5. Otherwise endangering and/or threatening opponents and/or officials (including the use of laser pens, etc.):  
A fine of EUR 3,000 to EUR 30,000.
- 118.6. If the incidents cause the game to be interrupted:  
A fine of EUR 5,000 to EUR 30,000 and the team could be liable to play its next home game without spectators.
- 118.7. If the incidents cause the game to be stopped and it cannot be resumed:
  - a. A fine of EUR 50,000 and the team could be liable to play its next one (1) to three (3) home game(s) without spectators,
  - b. furthermore, the provisions of these Regulations regarding forfeiture shall be applied and the judge shall decide whether a further sanction shall be imposed.
- 118.8. If the incidents cause injury:  
A minimum fine of EUR 50,000 and the team could be liable to play its next one (1) to three (3) home game(s) without spectators.  
**Note:** The judge shall decide whether a further sanction shall be imposed.
- 118.9. Recurrence of 118.4 to 118.8:  
The sanctions shall be at least doubled each time and the judge shall decide whether a further sanction shall be imposed.
- 118.10. Entrance or intrusion of unauthorised persons into the playing area before, during or after the game:  
A fine of EUR 1,000 to EUR 10,000. In principle, the responsibility for ensuring the proper conduct of the public lies with the home team.

- 118.11. If the unauthorised persons are aggressive or attempt aggression:  
A fine of EUR 10,000 to EUR 30,000 and the team could be liable to play its next one (1) to three (3) home game(s) without spectators.
- 118.12. Attempted aggression off the playing court:  
A fine of EUR 5,000 to EUR 15,000 and the judge shall decide whether a further sanction shall be imposed.
- 118.13. Aggression off the playing court:  
A fine of EUR 15,000 to EUR 50,000 and the team could be liable to play its next one (1) to three (3) home game(s) without spectators.
- 118.14. Recurrence of 118.10 to 118.13:  
The sanction shall be at least doubled each time. The second recurrence could mean the team being disqualified from the current competition and for the next one for which it qualifies.
- 118.15. The sanctions mentioned above (118.1 to 118.14) are also applicable to the visiting team in the case of unsportsmanlike behaviour by its supporters.

## **119. UNSPORTSMANLIKE BEHAVIOUR ON THE PART OF TEAM MANAGERS, COACH, ASSISTANT COACH OR TEAM FOLLOWER WITH SPECIAL RESPONSIBILITIES**

- 119.1. Menacing, intimidating or unsportsmanlike behaviour on the part of a team manager, coach, assistant coach or team follower with special responsibilities towards opponents (players, coaches, team followers, spectators, etc.), officials (commissioner, referees, FIBA Europe Representative or table officials): a fine of EUR 1,000 to EUR 25,000.
- 119.2. [First Recurrence](#): The fine shall be at least doubled.
- 119.3. [Second Recurrence](#): The team shall play its next home game without spectators.
- 119.4. [Third Recurrence](#): The team shall play a minimum of its next three (3) home games without spectators and the team shall be disqualified from the next competition for which it qualifies.

## **120. POOR ORGANISATION OF THE GAME IN GENERAL**

- 120.1. Facilities that do not conform as specified in these Regulations:  
a fine of EUR 1,000 to EUR 5,000.
- 120.2. Lack of security forces in the hall:  
a fine of EUR 1,000 to EUR 5,000.
- 120.3. Any serious case of poor organisation of the game:  
a fine of EUR 1,000 to EUR 5,000.
- 120.4. Recurrences of 120.1 to 120.3: the sanctions shall be at least doubled each time.

## **121. UNIFORMS, ACCESSORIES AND/OR GAME EQUIPMENT CONTRARY TO THE REGULATIONS**

- 121.1. Uniforms that do not conform as specified in these Regulations:  
a fine of EUR 500 to EUR 5,000.
- 121.2. Accessories that do not conform to the Official Basketball Rules:  
A fine of EUR 500
- 121.3. A piece of equipment essential to the game is missing: A minimum fine of EUR 1000.
- 121.4. A technical specification is not adhered to: A minimum fine of EUR 500.
- 121.5. Spare (substitute) equipment is not available or does not conform to the Regulations or breaks down (if and when it has to be used): A minimum fine of EUR 1,500.
- 121.6. Recurrences of 121.1 to 121.5 sanctions shall be at least doubled each time.

## **122. ADVERTISING CONTRARY TO THE REGULATIONS**

If a team uses advertising that does not conform to the appropriate Article in these Regulations.

- 122.1. [First Infraction](#): A fine of EUR 1,000 to EUR 10,000.
- 122.2. [Second Infraction](#): The fine shall be at least doubled each time.
- 122.3. [Third Infraction](#): The team may be disqualified from the Competitions as of the first season for which the team qualifies.
- 122.4. For any further infraction (including the third) occurring during the current competition, the fine shall be at least doubled each time.



## 123. COMPOSITION OF TEAMS

If, at the beginning of the game, a team presents less than ten (10) players:

- 123.1. [First Infraction](#): A fine of EUR 1,000 for each player not present.
- 123.2. Failure to register a female coach in the final team delegation roster for a female youth category competition.
- 123.3. [Further Infractions](#): The fine shall be at least doubled each time.

## 124. PLAYING OF MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS DURING THE GAME

Musical instruments permitted by the FIBA Venue Rules and played by a live band during a game are permitted only behind the end lines and on the side of the playing court opposite the scorer's table and the team bench areas.

- 124.1. Music played over the public announcement system (electronically or by a live band) is not permitted when the ball is live.
  - a) [First Infraction](#): a fine of EUR 500.
  - b) [Further Infractions](#): the fine shall be at least doubled each time.
- 124.2. The use of a microphone to encourage the teams or incite spectators is prohibited.
  - a) [First Infraction](#): a fine of EUR 500.
  - b) [Further Infractions](#): the fine shall be at least doubled each time.

## 125. CASES NOT PROVIDED FOR IN THESE REGULATIONS

Each case shall be judged on its own merits.

## 126. APPEAL

An appeal is possible in accordance with the FIBA Internal Regulations.

## 127. ADMINISTRATIVE FINES

FIBA Europe, represented by its FIBA Executive Director Europe, may impose administrative fines on a National Federation if it does not act in accordance with these Regulations, such as:

- 127.1. Failure to comply with deadline for registration of players; for each player: a fine of EUR 500
- 127.2. Failure to comply with the various deadlines such as changes to the game time, changes to the game date, submitting uniform design, etc.: a fine of EUR 1,000
- 127.3. Failure to attend the Technical Meeting at a tournament a fine of EUR 500
- 127.4. Failure to confirm the final score electronically through the official FIBA statistics software within fifteen (15) minutes from the end of the game: a fine of EUR 1,500
- 127.5. Using statisticians without valid FIBA license: a fine of EUR 500
- 127.6. Failure to send the coaches' and player quotes within one (1) hour from the end of the game: a fine of EUR 500
- 127.7. Failure to upload game video to the online platform with twenty-four (24) hours a fine of EUR 500
- 127.8. Failure to send the photos within one (1) hour from the end of the game: a fine of EUR 1,000
- 127.9. Failure to provide a good quality video of the game on USB before the visiting team leaves the city where the game was played: a fine of EUR 1,000
- 127.10. Failure to provide data for live scores and statistics to FIBA's official website fiba.basketball: a fine of EUR 1,500
- 127.11. Failure to use official FIBA TV graphics for a scheduled broadcast or streaming: a fine of EUR 2,500
- 127.12. Failure to deliver a scheduled TV broadcast and/or live stream a fine of EUR 5,000
- 127.13. Failure to produce a game as per camera plan and standards set in the regulations and/or Production Manual, including implement minimum internet bandwidth standards: a fine of EUR 3,000
- 127.14. Failure to follow the FIBA Brand Identity Guidelines (FIBA/Event logo, Court Design, Print Material, Prizes, etc.) a fine of EUR 2,500
- 127.15. [Recurrences](#): the sanctions shall be at least doubled each time.

## 128. APPEAL

There will be [no right of appeal](#) against administrative fines.

## **CHAPTER XVIII: APPEALS**

### **IMPORTANT:**

Decisions by the Board of FIBA Europe can only be appealed before the FIBA Appeals' Panel and subsequently before the Court of Arbitration for Sport in Lausanne, Switzerland.

### **129. APPEALS**

Affected parties against decisions of FIBA Europe may file an appeal before the FIBA Appeals' Panel in accordance with the FIBA Internal Regulations - Book 1 - General Provisions (Chapter 8 - Appeals).

## CHAPTER XIX: ORGANISATION OF HOME AND AWAY GAMES & GENERAL PRINCIPLES

**Note:** For the Pre-Qualifiers and Qualifiers of the FIBA EuroBasket, the National Member Federations Handbook is valid outlining detailed conditions regarding the organisation of the home and away games.

### 130. VENUE

130.1. The venue of the game shall be the town as registered with the office of FIBA Europe by the organising National Federation. However, it shall be no more than one hundred and fifty (150) km from the closest international airport with multiple regular connections across Europe.

Hotel: it shall be no more than twenty (20) km from the arena.

130.2. If the game is to take place in a town other than that registered by the organising National Federation, this National Federation **must** cover all expenses incurred through this change. If additional travel is involved, this will be made by first-class train/bus or by air, at the expense of the organising National Federation.

130.3. National Federations must make their travel arrangements for the team so that they arrive on the eve of the day before the game in the town where it will take place.

### 131. GAME

#### 131.1. General Principles

All games will be played in accordance with the current Official Basketball Rules of FIBA.

#### 131.2. Technical Equipment

The organising National Federation guarantees that all technical equipment at the venue conforms to the technical specifications set in the Official Basketball Rules and is in good working order.

#### 131.3. Table Officials

The table officials (scorer, assistant scorer, timer, 24-second operator) shall be appointed by the National Federation. The table officials must be dressed in a uniform (shirt, sweater, etc.) provided by the organising National Federation. The National Federation is responsible for ensuring that the scorer's table functions smoothly and that the table officials are competent and absolutely impartial.

#### 131.4. Scoresheet

The following clarification regarding Annex B of the Official Basketball Rules "Scoresheet" is made:

- If the technical solution used for this purpose allows this, the scoresheet may be prepared and completed fully electronically.
- Pen and paper colours as per B.2 are not applied.
- The scoresheet may be distributed to the parties mentioned under B.2 only electronically (no originals and hard copies needed).
- All signatures (B.4: head coaches; B.12: table officials; B.12.6: officials and team captains) may be either provided electronically or may be replaced by electronic confirmations secured by sufficient means such as passwords or PIN codes, as directed by FIBA Europe.

The FIBA Europe Digital Scoresheet software shall be used for all games of FIBA Europe Competitions.

#### 131.5. Scorer's Table

The scorer's table must be located near the centre of the sideline. One (1) seat between the timer and the scorer must be reserved for the commissioner/technical delegate. On either side of the scorer's table there shall be seats for the substitutes of the two (2) teams.

#### 131.6. Composition of Teams

The teams shall consist of a minimum of ten (10) players and a maximum of twelve (12) players, whose names shall be inscribed on the scoresheet. These players **must** be present at the beginning of the game.

#### 131.7. Players

131.7.1 The playing uniforms must conform to the Official Basketball Rules and the Competitions Regulations of FIBA Europe. The home team shall wear light-coloured uniforms (preferably white) and the visiting team shall wear dark-coloured uniforms.

131.7.2 When introduced at the start of a game, all players on a team **must** be uniformly dressed (all with track suits, all without track suits, etc.).

131.7.3 Players may only wear the uniform of the team.

### 131.8. Coaches and Assistant Coaches

Coaches and assistant coaches **must** be appropriately dressed during games.

### 131.9. Medical Doctor

Each organiser is responsible for providing a registered medical doctor at each game.

They must identify themselves to the visiting team before the game and inform the delegate of where they can be easily located.

### 131.10. Additional Personnel

Personnel **must** be available to dry wet spots which may occur on the court during the game. They should kneel or sit so as not to obstruct the television cameras and/or referees.

### 131.11. Team Mascots

Team mascots, cheerleaders and other types of entertainment are permitted, but must remain outside the playing court and behind the advertising boards during play.

They may only enter the court during time-outs or intervals of play and they must leave the court at least ten (10) seconds before play resumes. Cheerleaders must not perform any actions that involve touching/using any part of the backstop unit.

### 131.12. Electronic Transmission of Game

131.12.1 The official FIBA statistics software must be used for all games. FIBA Europe will provide this software free of charge to all National Federations.

131.12.2 Statisticians responsible for collating game statistics shall be seated close to the court, preferably in the first row behind the scorer's table on a raised platform but **not** at the scorer's table. They shall have an internet connection available for transmission of live data.

131.12.3 During the game the score and statistical data has to be sent to FIBA Europe's official website [fiba.basketball](http://fiba.basketball) in real time.

131.12.4 Only FIBA licensed statisticians can be used

### 131.13. Doping Control Station

As stated in the FIBA Internal Regulations governing Anti-Doping.

## 132. TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

### 132.1. General Principles/Governing Body

132.1.1 FIBA Europe reserves the right to approve the playing facilities.

132.1.2 These specifications mentioned in Art. 132.2 to 132.11 are obligatory for all home and away games and tournaments if not specified otherwise in the respective Handbooks or Event Manual(s).

### 132.2. Playing Area

132.2.1 The floor shall be parquet (wood).

132.2.2 The court dimensions shall be twenty-eight by fifteen metres (28x15m) and at every point, at least two metres (2m) from the advertising boards and all obstructions.

132.2.3 There shall be a further boundary line drawn in a sharply contrasting colour and at least two metres (2m) in width (see Official Basketball Rules - Basketball Equipment - Article 16.1).

### 132.3. Team Benches

Only a [maximum of sixteen \(16\) seats](#) are allowed in the team bench area.

### 132.4. Ceiling

The height of the ceiling or the lowest obstruction shall be at least seven metres (7m) above the playing court.

### 132.5. Seating

1. The seating capacity of the hall shall be at least 2,000
2. It is recommended that all seats be numbered
3. It is recommended that all spectators be seated at least five (5) metres from the playing court.

### 132.6. Temperature

The playing and spectator areas shall have a temperature of between 16° C and 28° C.

### 132.7. Backstop units and Backboards

- 132.7.1 All the specifications for level 2 competitions (see Basketball Equipment Appendix to the Official Basketball Rules and any amendment(s)) must be met.
- 132.7.2 This equipment must be approved by FIBA.
- 132.7.3 Each organiser must have readily available:
1. A spare glass backboard
  2. A spare glass backboard with a pressure-release ring attached
  3. Instructions and necessary tools for the fast replacement of a broken glass backboard

### 132.8. Scoreboards

- 132.8.1 See Official Basketball Rules - Basketball Equipment - Article 9.
- 132.8.2 Should the scoreboard (cube) be placed above the centre of the playing court, only one duplicate scoreboard on the opposite side of the players' benches, clearly visible to both teams, which shall indicate both the score and the remaining time will be sufficient.

### 132.9. Pressure Release Rings

- 132.9.1 See Official Basketball Rules - Basketball Equipment - Article 3.
- 132.9.2 This equipment must be approved by FIBA.

### 132.10. Electronic Equipment

- 132.10.1 The scoreboards and game clock must be in accordance with the Official Basketball Rules - Basketball Equipment - Articles 8 - 11.
- 132.10.2 The 24-second display unit together with the additional game clock must be mounted above each backboard. The backboards must be equipped with red and yellow lighting in accordance with the Official Basketball Rules. The shot clocks must be able to display tenths of seconds during the last 5 seconds in accordance with the Official Basketball Rules.
- 132.10.3 This equipment must be approved by FIBA.
- 132.10.4 Any electronic display which may distract a player during playing time is prohibited.
- 132.10.5 The sound signals must be loud enough to be distinguished above any possible noise in the playing area.
- 132.10.6 The sound signals shall have a connection to the public announcement system.

### 132.11. Balls

Only basketballs approved by FIBA shall be used.

## 133. GAME STATISTICS

The FIBA Europe Official Statistics Software **must** be used.

The Official Statistics Interpretations provided in the latest edition of the "FIBA Statisticians' Manual" are mandatory.

## CHAPTER XX: USE OF ADVERTISING - NATIONAL TEAM COMPETITIONS

### GENERAL PRINCIPLES

All National Federations participating in the FIBA Europe national team competitions **must** strictly observe the following Regulations governing the use of advertising.

For the Pre-Qualifiers and Qualifiers of the FIBA EuroBasket, the National Member Federations Handbook is valid outlining detailed conditions regarding advertising during the organisation of the home and away games.

In cases of dispute the written text shall prevail over the diagrams which serve only as examples.

As a general principle, advertising for hard alcohol, tobacco and any pharmaceutical substances on the WADA Prohibited List as updated from time to time (or products that may contain such substances) is prohibited.

For the avoidance of doubt, advertising for beer or wine is permitted. FIBA Europe may further restrict advertising for certain products to protect basketball values (including without limitation, for advertising involving pornography, war or arms related products, war or violent video games, and betting companies that in FIBA's sole discretion raise integrity-related concerns).

### 134. TECHNICAL EQUIPMENT AND THE PLAYING COURT

#### 134.1. Baskets, Backboards, Backstop Units, Backboard Padding and Backstop Unit Padding.

Only the manufacturer's name, trademark or logo is permitted on:

- The metallic structure (upper arm) of the backboard supports (once only on each side of the structure and with a maximum size of 300 cm<sup>2</sup>) and
- The top and/or bottom of the front padding of the backboard supports (with a maximum size of 300 cm<sup>2</sup>).

#### 134.2. Scoreboards

134.2.1 Advertising is permitted on scoreboards provided that it does not obstruct or interfere with the functioning of the boards.

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**Advertising**

### A. Home and Away Games

#### 134.3. Baskets, Backboards, Backstop Units, Backboard Padding, Backstop Unit Padding and Shot Clocks

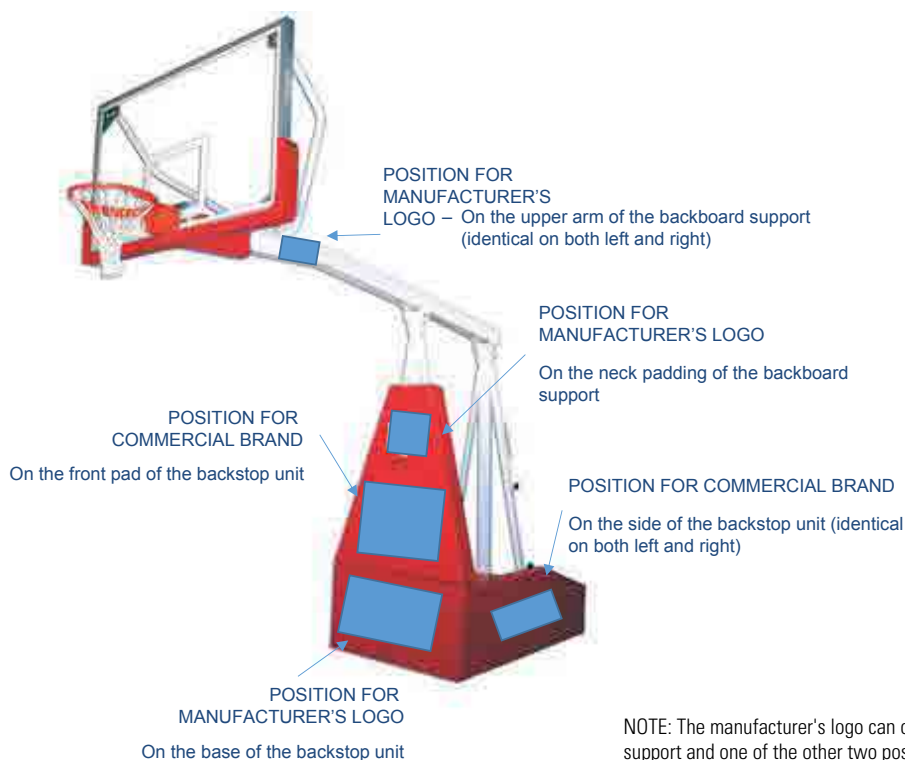
134.3.1 Advertising on baskets, backboards etc. is allowed as follows:

- The front side of the backstop unit padding (with a maximum size of 2000 cm<sup>2</sup>)
- The side padding of the backstop unit (with a maximum size of 1500 cm<sup>2</sup>). Both sides can be utilized.
- Small LED panels installed on the metallic structure (upper arm) of the backstop units.

**Note for 1 & 2:** Only one commercial brand logo can be displayed on each position on the backstop units. And both backstop units at either end of the court must be identical in branding (both logos and positioning).

134.3.2 Advertising on the shot clocks is allowed under the condition that the visibility of the display is not restricted. Only one commercial brand logo can be displayed on the shot clocks. And both shot clocks at either end of the court must be identical in branding (both logos and positioning).

134.3.3 The FIBA logo/Competition logo as provided by the office of FIBA Europe **must** appear on the lower right corner (when looking at the basket) of each backboard. **No** other logo may appear unless approved by FIBA Europe.



#### 134.4. Playing Court Area

Only lines described in the Official Basketball Rules - Article 2 can be present on the playing court.

134.4.1 Advertising is permitted inside the boundaries (endlines and sidelines) of the playing court according to the court layout shown in the layout below.

The advertising must be the same (design, size and sponsor) on the respective spaces on both sides of the court.

134.4.2 Advertising is permitted outside the boundaries according to the court layout shown in the layout below. The advertising on the floor/parquet must be located minimum twenty (20) centimetres from the endline/sideline and must be the same (design, size and sponsor) on the respective spaces on both sides of the court.

All other advertising must be located at a minimum distance of two (2) metres from the said boundaries.

134.4.3 Any advertising next to the scorer's table must be located:

- At a minimum distance of two (2) metres from the scorer's table, and
- In a single line with it.

134.4.4 Advertising is permitted in front of the scorer's table provided that it is placed directly in front and flush with the table.

134.4.5 The centre circle may be reserved for FIBA Europe. More information in the dedicated handbook of the competition.

#### 134.5. Centre and Free-Throw Circles

134.5.1 Advertising is permitted inside the circles provided that:

- The advertising is the same in all three circles, or
- The advertising is the same in the two free throw circles (centre circle may be different)
- Only one company's name or logo is in any single circle, and
- The centre and free-throw lines are clearly visible
- The centre circle may be reserved for FIBA Europe. More information in the dedicated handbook of the competition.

134.5.2 The name of the arena, city or municipality etc. can only be displayed at least twenty (20) centimetres in the further boundary line outside the sideline in front of the scorer's table.

**DIAGRAM: HOME AND AWAY GAMES**


Positions 1 to 5 are advertising possibilities for the host team. Spaces with the same numbers must contain identical advertising (design, size and sponsor).

FIBA and Competition logo sticker on the lower corner of both sides of the both backboards, more information in the dedicated Handbook.

- Host Country, Host City or Arena Branding (when applicable)
- Advertising Boards



## B. FIBA EuroBasket & FIBA Women's EuroBasket

Please refer to the Event Manuals for FIBA EuroBasket & FIBA Women's EuroBasket.

## C. FIBA U16, U18, U20 European Championships & FIBA Women's U16, U18, U20 European Championships

For Divisions [A](#), [B](#) & [C](#) please refer to the Youth and Small Countries Event Manual.

## D. FIBA European Championship for Small Countries & FIBA Women's European Championship for Small Countries

For [Small Countries](#) please refer to the Youth and Small Countries Event Manual.

### 135. UNIFORM LAYOUTS

#### 135.1. Table Officials

Table officials **must** be uniformly dressed. The manufacturer's trademark (logo) may appear, but it must not be larger than 12 cm<sup>2</sup>.

#### 135.2. Players

135.2.1 Advertising of the team's sponsors is permitted in maximum three (3) different advertising spaces:

- a. On the front of the playing shirts (1 advertisement)
- b. On the back of the playing shirts (2 advertisements)
- c. On the right leg of the shorts (1 advertisement)

135.2.2 A maximum of four (4) sponsorship messages are allowed on the playing uniform, as per the definitions below.

135.2.3 The same sponsor can appear on maximum of two (2) times out of the four (4) available messages' spaces.

135.2.4 A maximum of three (3) sponsorship messages are allowed on the warm up shirts and tracksuits. The sponsorship messages may be different from those that appear on the game/playing uniform but the sponsorship message on the warm up shirt and tracksuit top must be identical.

135.2.5 At least 30 days prior to the first game of the competition, national member federations must submit a drawing/design of the complete uniform set which will be worn during the competition to the Offices of FIBA Europe for approval. Designs can be sent by e-mail to [competitions-europe@fiba.basketball](mailto:competitions-europe@fiba.basketball) or to an e-mail address as designated by the Competitions Department. The uniforms to be worn by the team during the competition shall be identical to the submitted layout drawings. Failure to meet this deadline shall result in financial sanctions as per the FIBA Internal Regulations.

135.2.6 The uniforms to be worn by the team during the Competition shall be identical to the submitted drawing/design or pre-production sample, and will be verified prior to the starting date of the Competition at the Technical Meeting. Once approved at the Technical Meeting, no changes may be made to the team uniforms, including layout and in regards to any advertising without prior approval of the Competitions Department.

135.2.7 Areas of all applicable markings are measured by multiplying the maximum height by the maximum length of the advertising/manufacturer logo as highlighted on the specific layouts within this section.

#### 135.3. Playing Shirts

135.3.1 Playing shirts **must** conform to the Official Basketball Rules - Article 4.3.

135.3.2 The front of the playing shirt shall conform to the following provisions (as per diagram below):

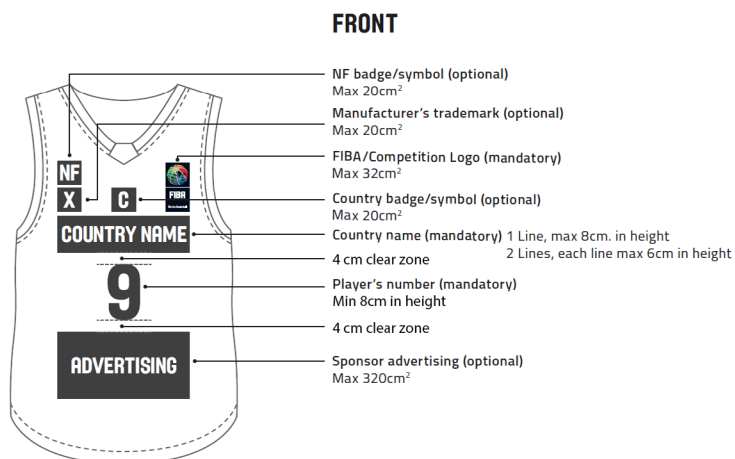
135.3.3 The manufacturer's trademark (logo) may appear once, provided that it occupies an area of maximum twenty (20) cm<sup>2</sup>.

135.3.4 The FIBA logo or Competition logo **must** appear on the front left side of the playing shirt. It will be provided by FIBA and its size may change at FIBA's discretion.

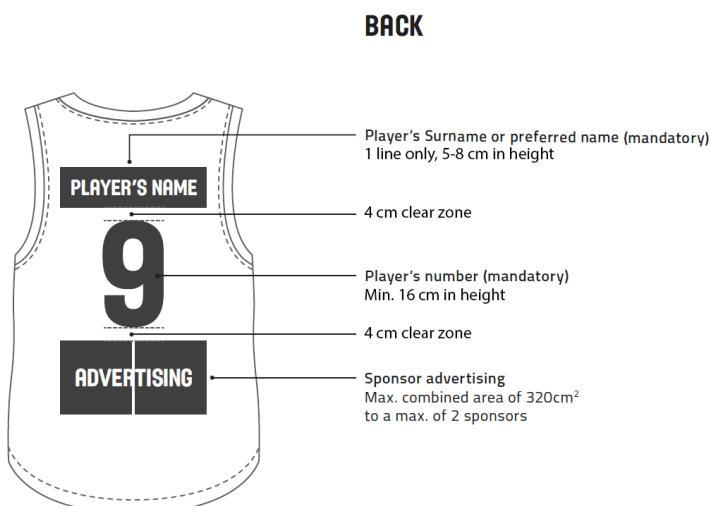
135.3.5 The country name **must** appear on the front of the playing shirts and an additional country badge/symbol may appear as follows:

1. The country name must be above the player's number;
2. For the country's name, if the written text comprises one (1) line, the letters shall be of maximum eight (8) cm in height; if the written text comprises two (2) lines, the letters on each line shall be of maximum six (6) cm in height;
3. The country badge/symbol must occupy an area of maximum twenty (20) cm<sup>2</sup> and shall be placed in the middle of the chest, between the FIBA logo and the manufacturer logo.
4. For the avoidance of doubt, the country badge/symbol can be the country flag or country crest.
5. In case of controversy regarding the country name, country badge or country symbol to appear on the uniform, FIBA shall decide.

- 135.3.6 The National Member Federation badge/symbol may appear, but must occupy an area of maximum 20 (twenty) cm<sup>2</sup>.
- 135.3.7 The player's number must appear and be clearly visible. It must have a height of minimum eight (8) cm and must be placed below the country name, at a distance of four (4) cm.
- 135.3.8 Any other markings on the front of the playing shirt must be at a distance of minimum four (4) cm from the player's number.
- 135.3.9 Advertising of one (1) sponsor is permitted as follows:
1. The written text or the sponsor's logo must occupy an area of maximum three hundred and twenty (320) cm<sup>2</sup>;
  2. The advertising must be placed below the player's number, as per the diagram below.



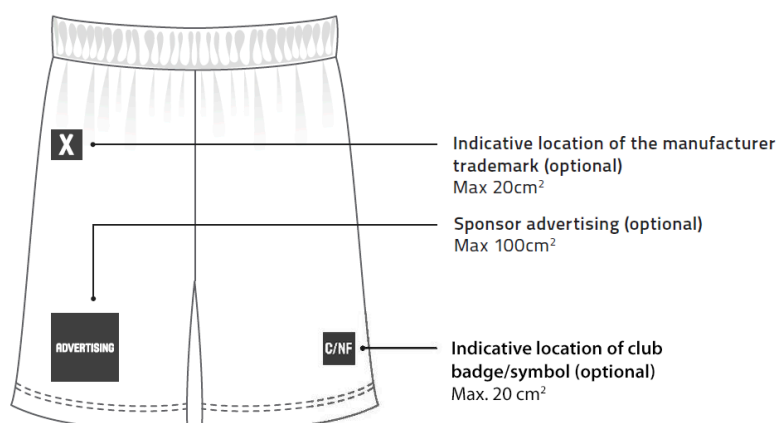
- 135.3.10 The back of the playing shirt shall conform to the following provisions (as per the diagram below):
- 135.3.11 The player's name (surname or preferred name) must appear above the player's number and shall comprise of only one (1) line of text. The height of the writing must be of minimum five (5) cm and maximum eight (8) cm. No two (or more) players on the same team may have identical names on their uniforms. In case of controversy regarding the name of the player to appear on the uniform, FIBA shall decide.
- 135.3.12 The player's number must appear and be clearly visible; it shall have a height of minimum sixteen (16) cm.
- 135.3.13 Any other markings on the back of the playing shirt must be at a distance of minimum four (4) cm from the player's number.
- 135.3.14 Advertising is permitted provided that it occupies an area of maximum three hundred and twenty (320) cm<sup>2</sup>. The advertising space shall be used as follows:
1. Option 1: in one (1) block of maximum three hundred and twenty (320) cm<sup>2</sup> with one (1) sponsor's written text or logo.
  2. Option 2: split into two (2) different sponsors' written text or logos, provided that the combined total size does not exceed three hundred and twenty (320) cm<sup>2</sup>. When using option 2, the space between the two logos must be included in the dimensions.
  3. Advertising(s) must be placed below the player's number, as per the following diagram;



- 135.3.15 No other markings are permitted on the back of the playing shirt.

### 135.4. Playing Shorts

- 135.4.1 Playing shorts **must** conform to the Official Basketball Rules - Article 4.3 and shall also conform to the following provisions (as per diagram below).
- 135.4.2 The manufacturer's trademark (logo) may appear once, provided that it occupies an area of maximum twenty (20) cm<sup>2</sup>.
- 135.4.3 Advertising of only one (1) sponsor is permitted on the front of the shorts, on the right leg (see diagram), provided that:
1. The sponsor's written text or logo occupies an area of maximum one hundred (100) cm<sup>2</sup>;
  2. The sponsor advertised may be one of those advertised on the playing shirt or differ from them.
  3. No other markings may be placed in this area.
- 135.4.4 The player's number is not permitted on the shorts.
- 135.4.5: The country badge/symbol or the national member federation crest may also appear once on the shorts on the left leg opposite the sponsor's messages (if any) and must occupy an area of maximum twenty (20) cm<sup>2</sup>. The country name may be integrated as part of the design of the shorts, subject to FIBA approval.

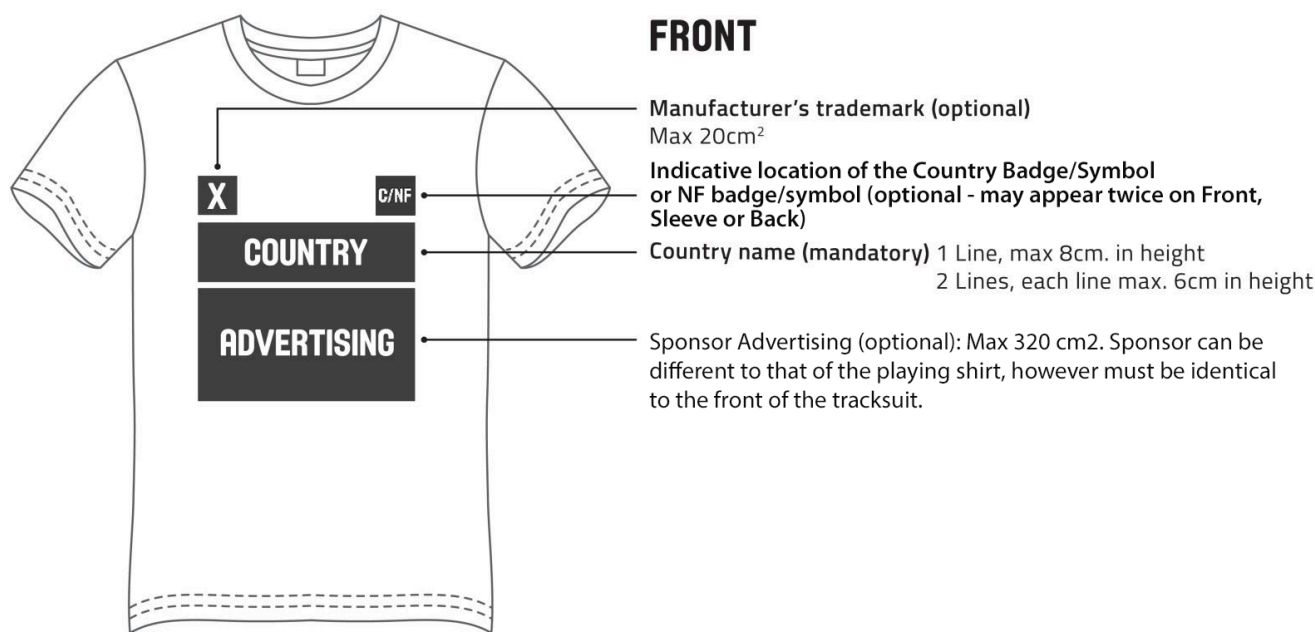


### 135.5. Playing Socks

- 135.5.1 Playing socks must conform to the Official Basketball Rules - Article 4.3 and the following provisions:
- 135.5.2 The manufacturer's trademark (logo) may appear, provided that it occupies an area of maximum twenty (20) cm<sup>2</sup>.
- 135.5.3 Advertising is prohibited.

### 135.6. Warm-Up Shirts

- 135.6.1 Warm-up shirts shall conform to the following provisions (as per the diagrams below):
- 135.6.2 The manufacturer's trademark (logo) may appear once on the front of the warm-up shirts, provided that it occupies an area of maximum twenty (20) cm<sup>2</sup> and is identical (same size, place etc.) to the manufacturer's trademark (logo) on the front of the playing shirt.
- 135.6.3 The country name **must** appear on the front of the warm-up shirts and be identical in size to the country name on the front of the playing shirt (article 135.3.5). The country name may appear on the back as a replacement of the player's name (size 1 line: max 8 cm in height and 2 lines: max. 6 cm in height).
- 135.6.4 An additional country badge/symbol may be applied to the front, sleeves or back of the warm-up shirt and must occupy an area of maximum twenty (20) cm<sup>2</sup>. If the country badge/symbol or National Federation Member badge/symbol appears on the back, it must be positioned above the player's name.
- 135.6.5 The player's name (surname or preferred name) may appear on the back of the warm-up shirt, provided that it is identical (same size and same place) to the player's name on the back of the playing shirt (article 135.3.10).
- 135.6.6 The player's number is not permitted on the warm-up shirts.
- 135.6.7 Advertising is permitted as follows:
1. On the front of the warm up shirts: the size of the advertising space must be identical to that of the playing shirts, but the sponsor may be different to that of playing shirts. However, the advertising must be identical (same sponsor, logo, design) to that of the tracksuits. (art. 135.3.8)
  2. On the back of the warm up shirts: the size of the advertising space must be identical to that of the playing shirts, but the sponsor may be different to that of playing shirts. However, the advertising must be identical (same sponsor, logo, design) to that of the tracksuits. (art. 135.3.13)



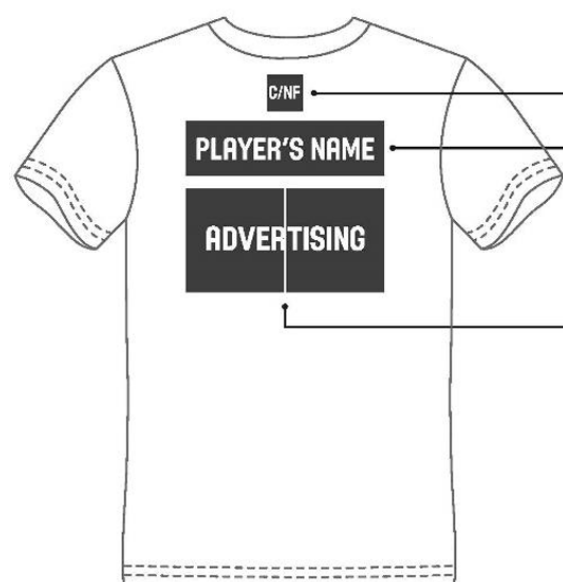
## FRONT

**Manufacturer's trademark (optional)**  
 Max 20cm<sup>2</sup>

**Indicative location of the Country Badge/Symbol or NF badge/symbol (optional - may appear twice on Front, Sleeve or Back)**

**Country name (mandatory)** 1 Line, max 8cm. in height  
 2 Lines, each line max. 6cm in height

**Sponsor Advertising (optional):** Max 320 cm<sup>2</sup>. Sponsor can be different to that of the playing shirt, however must be identical to the front of the tracksuit.



## BACK

**If the country badge/symbol or NF badge/symbol appears on the back (optional), it must be positioned above the player's name**

**Player's Name / Country Name (optional)**

1 Line only, 6-8cm in height

Country name as a replacement of player's name

1 line: max 8 cm in height and 2 lines: max 6 cm in height

**Sponsor advertising (optional)**

Max combined area of 320cm<sup>2</sup> to a max. of 2 sponsors

Sponsor(s) can be different to that of the playing shirt, however identical to the back of the tracksuit

### 135.7. Tracksuits

135.7.1 Tracksuits shall conform to the following provisions (as per the diagrams below):

135.7.2 The manufacturer's trademark (logo) may appear once each on tracksuit top and trousers, provided that it occupies an area of maximum twenty (20) cm<sup>2</sup>.

135.7.3 The country name must appear on the front and may also appear additionally on the back of the tracksuits and be identical (same size, place etc.) to the country name on the front of the playing shirt. If the country name appears on the back, it must replace the player's name (size 1 line: max 8 cm in height and 2 lines: max. 6 cm in height).

135.7.4 An additional country badge/symbol or national member federation crest may appear twice on the front, sleeves or back of the tracksuit, and must occupy an area of maximum twenty (20) cm<sup>2</sup> (only once in either of these locations).

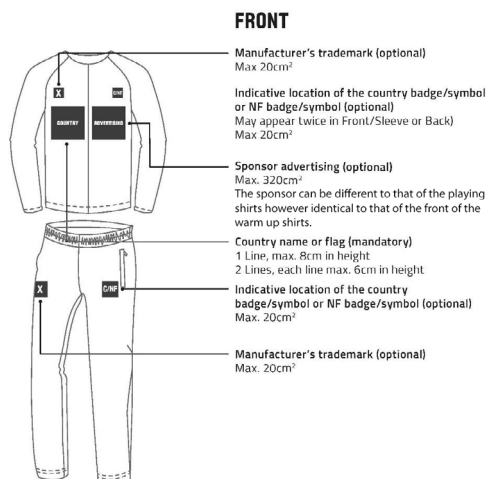
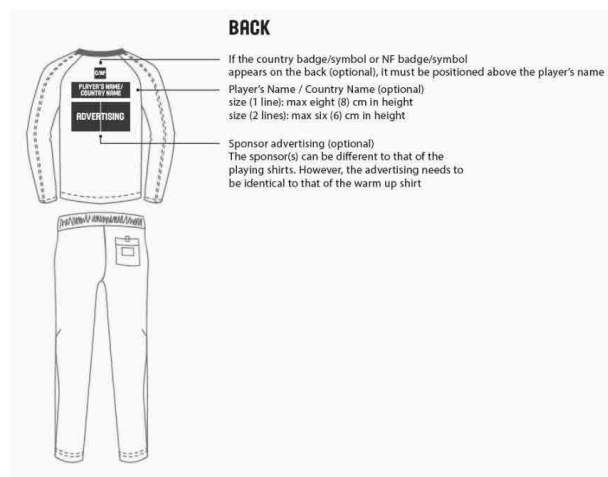
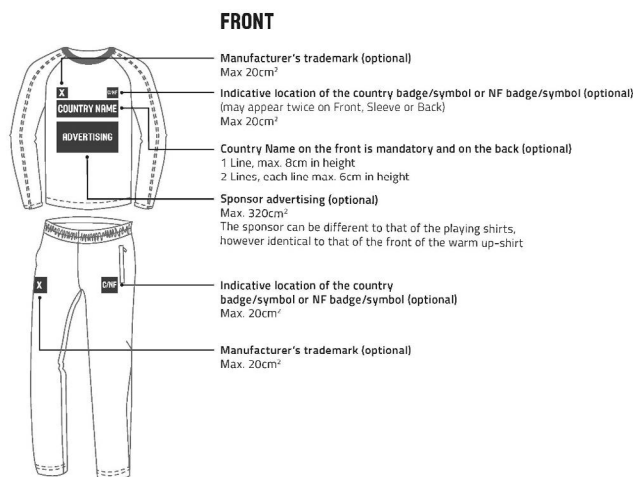
If the country badge/symbol or national member federation crest appears on the back, it must be positioned above the player's name. The country/badge symbol or National Member Federation crest may also appear on the trousers and must occupy an area of maximum twenty (20) cm<sup>2</sup>.

135.7.5 The player's name (surname or preferred name) may appear on the back of the tracksuit, provided that it is identical (same size and position) to the player's name on the back of the playing shirt (article 135.3.10).

135.7.6 Advertising is permitted as follows:

1. On the front of the tracksuit: the size of the advertising space must be identical to that of the playing shirts, but the sponsor may be different to that of playing shirts. However, the advertising must be identical (same sponsor, logo, design) to that of the warm up shirts. (art. 135.3.8)
2. On the back of the tracksuit: the size of the advertising space must be identical to that of the playing shirts, but the sponsor may be different to that of playing shirts. However, the advertising must be identical (same sponsor, logo, design) to that of the warm up shirts. (art. 135.3.13)

135.7.7. When the front part of the tracksuit has a zipper the above provision shall apply in conjunction with the special design below.



## 135.8. Playing Shoes

Playing shoes shall conform to the following provisions:

- 135.8.1 The manufacturer's trademark (logo) may appear; and
- 135.8.2 Advertising is prohibited.

## 135.9. Accessories

135.9.1 All accessories must conform to the Official Basketball Rules - Article 4.4.

135.9.2 The following provisions shall apply to all accessories permitted according to the Official Basketball Rules:

- a. Advertising is prohibited;
- b. The manufacturer's trademark (logo) is permitted, provided that it occupies an area of maximum twelve (12) cm<sup>2</sup>.

### 135.10. Other Provisions

- 135.10.1 Advertising on game uniforms, warm-up shirts and tracksuits must be identical for all players of a team.
- 135.10.2 The two sets of game/playing uniforms may differ in design from each other, subject to FIBA Europe approval, so long as each set bears the same markings (identical advertising messages and manufacturer's trademark, etc.).
- 135.10.3 The manufacturer's trademark (logo) on uniforms, warm-up shirts, tracksuits and team delegation uniforms (if applicable) must be the same.
- 135.10.4 The country name/badge/symbol may be integrated as part of the design of the uniforms (playing shirts, shorts, warmups, tracksuits, socks)
- 135.10.5 All team delegation members (group of players, group of coaches, group of medical staff and group of accompanying delegates) who are entitled access to the team bench during the game must be dressed in a uniform manner (like the other members of their group) as follows:
1. Wearing the same tracksuits of the team, as per article 135.7
  2. Wearing a team delegation uniform that shall conform to the following provisions:
    - a. Upon FIBA Europe approval, advertising is permitted, provided that the sponsors' messages are identical to messages on the team's uniforms.
    - b. The country name and/or badge/symbol may appear.
  3. The manufacturer's trademark (logo) is permitted, provided that it occupies an area of maximum twenty (20) cm<sup>2</sup>.
  4. Wearing plain clothes free of any advertising or marks.
- 135.10.6 During FIBA Competitions, participating national member federations are solely responsible for ensuring that their uniforms respect all laws applicable to the place of the Competition. For the avoidance of doubt, in giving approval pursuant articles 135.2.5 and 135.2.6, FIBA does not guarantee compliance with applicable laws and accepts no liability whatsoever in that regard.
- 135.10.7 During the Olympic Games, the participating teams must respect the International Olympic Committee's (IOC) Regulations and provisions regarding advertising.

### 135.11. Sanctions

- 135.11.1 Failure to meet the deadline for submitting a drawing/design of the complete uniform set which will be worn during the competition to FIBA for its approval (FIBA Internal Regulations Book 2 - Competitions - Article 61 and Article 135.2.4 of the FIBA Europe Competitions Regulations) shall result in financial sanctions.
- 135.11.2 The Technical Committee or the commissioner/technical delegate shall supervise the implementation of these Regulations at each FIBA Competition.
- 135.11.3 After receiving a report from the Technical Committee or the commissioner/technical delegate stating that these Regulations were not complied with, the FIBA Executive Director Europe or the person/body responsible, according to the Regulations of the Competition, shall decide on possible sanctions in the first instance.

## 136. LOTTERIES

The use of results, statistical data or similar information relating to FIBA Europe or its competitions in connection with a lottery or similar arrangements is not permitted, unless the FIBA Executive Director Europe decides otherwise.

## **CHAPTER XXI - MEDIA AND BROADCASTING**

### **137. PREAMBLE**

Every game organised under the auspices of FIBA Europe, be it at club or national team level, must adhere to same standards in regard to media operations and services as well as media related obligations of the organising Federation and/or club ("Organiser") towards FIBA Europe / FIBA.

All media obligations described below may be subject to updates, based on decisions by the FIBA Europe Board or the evolution of the relevant competitions. The FIBA Communications office (communications-europe@fiba.basketball) shall inform the Organisers in due time of any such updates.

### **138. MEDIA AND BROADCASTING RIGHTS**

FIBA Europe/FIBA is the sole owner of all media and broadcast rights for all FIBA Europe competitions, including all digital and data rights, and it may, in its sole discretion, transfer part or all those rights to the Organisers.

The distribution or transfer of such rights will always be specified in writing in related event guidelines and/or manuals or clearly defined under the specific competition regulations.

FIBA Europe makes active use of modern technology for the promotion of the sport of basketball and the FIBA name, for example by means of websites, video material and/or social media. To that end, FIBA Europe has the right to use any basketball-related information material produced by or available from National Federations affiliated to FIBA, clubs, or LOCs including, but not limited to, results, photographs, films and other information on the basketball activities in the respective country/competition in printed form or by other electronic means (e.g. a National Federation's, league or club website).

- FIBA Europe shall have the right to link up to any website produced by a National Federation affiliated to FIBA, clubs or LOCs.
- National Federations affiliated to FIBA, clubs or LOCs are permitted with prior approval from FIBA Europe to make use of such information for non-commercial purposes.
- National Federations affiliated to FIBA, clubs or LOCs must show the primary FIBA logo on their own Web site and must create a link up to FIBA Europe's website.
- FIBA Europe is solely responsible for creating and maintaining the official website and all official social media channels of its competitions.
- If a live or delayed broadcast (TV) signal is available for any given FIBA Europe competition and/or game, FIBA Europe may request the free delivery of this signal on a pan-European satellite, in digital format as Live ("stream") and/or after the game ("VOD").
- FIBA Europe may also request broadcast quality copies of footage of an entire game or parts of it in different formats (e.g. digitised copy or broadcast tape).

### **139. RIGHTS TO IMAGES**

FIBA Europe and the National Federations and/or clubs involved in FIBA Europe competitions have the right to use photographs or video material of players, officials, etc. taken during those official FIBA Europe competitions for communication, marketing, media and other licensing activities.

In the event that, for legal reasons, such use requires the consent of a particular individual, the National Federation or club involved must ensure that such consent is obtained from or waived by the individual. FIBA Europe may require a specific form to be signed by the individual to this effect and be returned to FIBA Europe.

### **140. TV AND STREAMING OBLIGATIONS AND OPERATIONS**

Unless indicated otherwise in competition-specific manuals or guidelines communicated by FIBA Europe the following general rules apply:

- All organisers must deliver live feed of their home games for streaming on the official digital channel(s) of FIBA.
- The standard of streaming production is defined either in the competition-specific regulations or will be provided in the form of guidelines by FIBA Communications.
- All games must be produced using the relevant competition graphics (minimum acceptable standard is score; clock; shot-clock).
- Only the official FIBA or event-specific TV graphics can be used. FIBA Communications will always provide the official TV graphics templates and other production-related guidelines such as competition-related graphic elements and running orders (rundowns).

- All organisers who conclude broadcasting deals and produce their home games for TV must encode the same signal for the official streaming or use a separate production.
- If a home team only produce their game for streaming with a lower standard and the visiting team requires a full TV production, then the home team shall make every effort to help facilitate that full TV production, where all costs will be with the visiting team or as otherwise agreed between the two teams.

## **141. TEAM PRESS OFFICERS**

All Organisers are obliged to designate a person to be responsible for all media operations (Team Press Officer). They shall inform FIBA Communications office of this person's name and contact details in due course.

It is the Press Officer's duty to welcome the journalists, handle all media needs before, during and post- game including the moderation of the post-game press conference.

The Press Officer will work in close co-operation with the FIBA Communications department. He/she will inform them on a regular basis of all news regarding his/her team, such as quotes, injuries, player transfer etc.

Each Press Officer is responsible to always send information, including postgame quotes of his/her respective team, regardless whether it was the home or away team.

## **142. VENUE MEDIA OPERATIONS**

### **142.1 MEDIA ACCREDITATIONS**

Media accreditations for individual games are care of the Organisers, however FIBA Europe reserves the right to advise the Organisers on the method used to accredit media for a particular game.

For all competitions in a tournament format, the accreditation process is the responsibility of FIBA Europe who may or may not pass that on to the Organisers.

### **142.2 MEDIA SEATING**

In addition to the seats reserved for spectators, a sufficient number of seats equipped with a work surface (tabled-seats) must be reserved for journalists in a media tribune in every venue.

### **142.3 MEDIA WORKING ROOM**

The Organisers shall provide, within the area of the hall and close to the media tribune, a working area reserved entirely for the media, equipped with tables, power outlets and high quality broadband internet.

### **142.4 MIXED ZONE**

The Organisers shall provide a Mixed Zone where the media meet the players to contact interviews, following the game. This area should be adjacent or very close to the exit of the players from the court, in a quiet, well-lit location and preferably close to the other media areas.

### **142.5 MEDIA PARKING**

Sufficient parking space shall be reserved for use by media and clearly marked in the venue parking area.

### **142.6 GAME PRESS KITS**

The Organisers will make their best effort to prepare and distribute a game press kit to the media containing maximum information on the competition, the two teams, the venue, the commissioner/technical delegate and game officials, the time of the game and general information concerning the hall and the venue.

### **142.7 INTERNET**

Full broadband internet should be available for use by the attending media in all venues and all games. A dedicated bandwidth of minimum 20Mbps upload must be reserved for the purposes of the delivery of streaming.

## **143. SOCIAL MEDIA**

The Organisers shall respect the FIBA Europe policy of the relevant competition on social media



## 144. TEAM MEDIA AVAILABILITY

The following are mandatory for any competition for both home and visiting teams:

- ✎ Media minutes at training sessions: the training sessions are by definition closed to the public and the media unless requested otherwise by a team. Even if a training session is closed to the media the last ten (10) minutes should be opened to photographers and camera crews while the coaches and players must make themselves available for media interviews at the end of each training session. For shorter sessions of sixty (60) minutes or less, only the last five (5) minutes are media minutes.
- ✎ Post-game press conference: no later than fifteen (15) minutes after the game the Head coach plus a player who played a significant part in the game must attend a post- game press conference (in a home and away format: the visiting team attends first, followed by the home team).
- ✎ The press conference must be conducted in English and, where possible, in the language of the home team. It is the home team's responsibility to provide a translator in the correct language to facilitate the press conference. Teams are responsible for providing translation to/from English for those team members who attend press conferences but do not speak English.

## 145. PRE-SEASON AND GAME DAY OBLIGATIONS

Unless indicated otherwise in competition-specific manuals or guidelines all teams must provide the following:

### 145.1 PRE-SEASON

- ✎ High quality headshots of their players and coaching staff prior to the start of the season.
- ✎ Their team/club logos in high quality vector format.
- ✎ Contact details of their Press Officer and their streaming and/or broadcasters.
- ✎ Roster updates.
- ✎ Other information about their team/club as requested by FIBA Communications.

### 145.2 GAME DAY PHOTOS

- ✎ During game days a minimum of eight (8) photos by/during half-time in the game, including key players from both the home and away team. A further minimum of eight (8) photos must also be submitted following the game. Good quality pictures of off the ball action are also acceptable. Photos of the crowd, post-game celebrations etc. can be submitted but do not count towards the eight obligatory photos.
- ✎ The FIBA BBM must be used to submit photos. The photographer assigned by the club/federation/FIBA will be given access to the BBM and instructions on how to upload the photographs. The photos must be in .jpg format as follows:
  - ✎ Horizontal photos minimum dimensions: 1300 x 900 pixels.
  - ✎ Vertical photos minimum dimensions: 800 x 1100 pixels.
  - ✎ Minimum resolution: 72 dpi
  - ✎ Subject(s) must be in focus, even in narrow depth of field of situations (e.g. when shooting with a telephoto lens)
  - ✎ Subject(s) must be well lit and in clear view (not hidden behind bodies of other players, spectators etc.)
  - ✎ No empty seats should be visible in any of the photos
  - ✎ No empty spaces (walls) should be visible in any of the photos
  - ✎ Photos should NEVER be watermarked
  - ✎ No cropping, no shrinking of the original file (colour correction is acceptable but not necessary)

**Failure to comply with the above may incur administrative fines (as per Article 127.8).**

### 144.3 POST-GAME QUOTES

Team Press Officers may be asked to forward to FIBA Communications post-game quotes by their respective team's coach and at least one player after each game, home or away. Those quotes can be collected at official post-game press conferences or otherwise.

The quotes must be forwarded by email to [communications-europe@fiba.basketball](mailto:communications-europe@fiba.basketball)

