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BY-LAWS FOR THE CHELSEA & DISTRICT BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION (CADBA)

1. POWER OF CADBA

- 1.1 The CADBA shall have the power to suspend, disqualify, fine or otherwise deal with any teams or member thereof, any score bench official, referee or spectator which or who has committed any breach of the constitution laws, or By-laws, or rules made thereunder, or practiced, counselled or sanctioned any conduct arising out of or in connection with Basketball, which conduct is in the opinion of the BOM, unbecoming, unfair or contrary to the interests of Basketball, after hearing relevant evidence from any teams, players or persons connected with the incidences.
- 1.2 The CADBA shall have the power to make By-Laws and to alter, amend, add to or rescind same as the occasion may require. The By-Laws may be altered by resolution passed at a meeting, of which notice setting out the proposed amendment has been given to CADBA members not less than twenty-eight days (28) prior to the meeting.

2. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

- 2.1 Failure by Independent teams to have at least one representative attend the Annual General Meeting will incur a fine. Independent team not attending that gives at least 48 hours notice shall be treated as a notified forfeit. Independent teams not attending and giving no notice or less than 48 hours notice will be treated as an un-notified forfeit. Except in the case of Clubs. Attendees to the Annual General Meeting can only sign for one team.
- 2.2 A Club is defined as more than 3 teams governed by one body with a duly elected Secretary. In the case of Clubs the number of representatives required to attend the Annual General Meeting will work on a tiered basis. If less than the required members attend the non-attending number shall incur the amount of a notified forfeit fine, regardless of if the team has notified.

1-5 Teams	1 Representative
6-10 Teams	2 Representatives
11-15 Teams	3 Representatives
16-20 Teams	4 Representatives
21-25 Teams	5 Representatives
26 + Teams	6 Representatives

3. ELIGIBILITY OF PLAYERS

- 3.1 All players must be financial members of the Association and registered with teams in which they play. All registered players shall be eligible to play in Association matches subject to the following conditions:
- 3.2 Grades are defined as ability levels (e.g. 1, 2 and 3 etc.) for Senior Competition and age or school level for Junior Competition. Divisions are defined as ability levels within a grade in Junior Competition.

Senior Representative Players (Big V Players)

- 3.3 The policy for Senior Representative Players (Big V Players) is that they cannot play lower than Division 1 Grade.

Junior Players

- 3.4 Players may play permanently in more than one grade in the same age group given that they are a bottom age player. Top age players that finish in division $\frac{3}{4}$ after grading may not join another team in a higher grade or fill in for a higher team without permission from CADBA. Top age players that finish in division $\frac{1}{2}$ after grading are not allowed to join or fill in for a team in a lower grade.
- 3.5 Players in Junior Competition may play additional weekly games in older age grades and in Senior Competition.
- 3.6 Players are not permitted to fill in for a team in their own division.
- 3.7 The CADBA has the power to accept or reject any application to play in Domestic competition. Acceptance or rejection will be decided using the following criteria:
 - (i) Appropriate (age, division, etc.) placement
 - (ii) fair competition

3.8 To be eligible to play in a CADBA Junior Representative side the player must play in the Winter Domestic Competition. *This applies for age groups from U12-U18s. High performance exemptions may be granted by the CADBA DOC.*

3.9 Teams may not have more than four junior representative players within a single team.

Players that play up an age group do not count as a representative player however must start grading in division 1 of the higher age group.

Exemptions may be granted to ensure a competitive and fair competition by CADBA.

A player is not considered a junior representative player if:

- they are a first-year Representative player who was successful in gaining a position in a Representative program in October will not be classed as a Representative player for the Summer season only; or
- they have not played Representative basketball in the last 12 months.

3.10 To qualify to play in the final series, a player must play 50% of the total of games (e.g. 50% of 14 games = 7 games). A bye will be counted as a played game only if, the player plays the game prior too and after the bye.

3.11 In the event of a player being ineligible to play in semi-finals and final matches under the condition of By-law 3.10 the player may through his team apply to the Association for a Special Permit to play in finals matches.

The applicant must outline clearly valid and genuine reasons for the application. The decision by the CADBA Competitions Manager shall be deemed as final.

3.12 Ages for junior competition will be December 31st of the playing year.

3.13 A player's name must be on the stadium scoring device before the end of the first half and be marked as active to be eligible to play in the game. Players should only be marked as active when they are present and paid at the game.

3.14 Teams who play ineligible players in any game will forfeit that game.

4. CLEARANCES

4.1 Application for domestic clearances will be requested automatically via PlayHQ when registering for their new team.

4.2 Clearances may be requested up to half way through any playing season.

4.3 A player who is refused a clearance twice in one season may appeal to the CADBA, who will request both the team and the player involved to give evidence as to why the clearance should be refused or granted by CADBA.

5. INTERCHANGE OF PLAYERS WITHIN CLUBS

5.1 Clubs with 2 or more teams in the same grade shall have the first 2 weeks of a season to stabilize their teams by interchanging their players between rounds. After the 2nd round no interchange of players between such Club teams may occur.

5.2 Club players are not permitted to play in 2 teams within the same competition during the same round.

6. MATCH OFFICIALS

6.1 Each team is to provide a reliable official for the score table. Games are not permitted to proceed until these requirements are met. If both teams only have five players available with no scorers then both teams are to use one player as a scorer and play four on four.

6.2 Teams unable to fulfil these requirements within 10 minutes of the starting of the clock will forfeit the game.

7. COMPETITION RULES

- 7.1 The matches will be conducted under the Official Basketball Rules of F.I.B.A. with the following modifications which apply to all matches except finals series. Finals Series variations are listed in By-law 8.
- 7.2 A team may commence the match with 4 players. Only 10 players may be registered in one team.
- 7.3 If a team withdraws from the competition any time after the 3rd game of a season a penalty will apply. The penalty will be determined by CADBA.
- 7.3.1 If a team is ten minutes late for a fixtured game time, the match is an Unnotified forfeit. Teams who notify the Competitions Manager at least 2 Working Days (A working day being defined as Monday to Friday, not including Public Holidays) prior to the fixtured game time will be fined as a notified forfeit. Teams who notify Manager / Administrator within 2 Working Days prior to the fixtured game will be fine as an Unnotified forfeit. Forfeit fines will be determined from time to time by the BOM.
- 7.4 All outstanding fees recorded by a team during a season must be paid before said team can play the following match.
- 7.5 Game fees for forfeited games will be refunded unless the teams use the referees and or court during the game time.
- 7.6 Referees will start the game clock at the time of the scheduled game for all divisions.
- 7.7 For each minute a team is late the opponents are awarded one point.
- 7.8 Shooting at the wrong basket:

The score will not count in U8 and U10 divisions. The penalty is as a violation and the ball is to be taken at the sideline by the non-offending team. For all other divisions the score will be counted and rewarded to the opposing team.
- 7.9 Additional rules may be introduced by CADBA from time to time. Such rules will be notified to all clubs or teams (if not associated with a Club), in writing and will be displayed on the CADBA Website & communicated via email.

- 7.10 The Sin Bin is implemented in all competitions for all teams, U14 and above. Whereby a player who receives a Technical Foul, a Bench Technical Foul or an Unsportsmanlike Foul will be forced to sit on the bench for a period of 5 minutes of playing time.
- 7.11 Timing Rules Regular Season:
2 x 18-minute half's
2-time outs (1 per half)
2-minute half time
Clock stops in the last minute of each half
Bonus foul shots on the 9th team foul per half
No overtime in regular season
- 7.12 CADBA will supply all game balls
- 7.13 Where CADBA cannot provide online scoring devices, preprinted team sheets will be used and the player stats will be entered into PlayHQ to ensure player stats and games played are added to the season tally.

8. FINALS SERIES COMPETITION RULES

During finals series the following game timings shall apply:

- 8.1 The clock will stop for all time-outs, and for all whistle blows in the last 1 minute of the first half and last three minutes of the second half. Time-outs are allowed on any whistle or opposition made field goal. Substitutions are allowed at any dead ball situation. The clock shall not stop after any made field baskets unless a timeout is called.
- 8.2 Only 2 basketballs per team are permitted into venues for all finals games. These are to be brought in by either the coach or team manager.

9. PLAYERS UNIFORMS

- 9.1 Each team must register the color of its playing uniform. CADBA shall have the power to order any team to change any part of their uniform.
- 9.2 After the 3rd week of any season, any player who does not wear the correct uniform is ineligible to play in that game. A player may wear incorrect colored shorts or singlet, but the team will be penalized by 3 points per item being awarded to the opposition team. Pockets on shorts are not permitted for safety reasons; shorts must be "sports" shorts.

- 9.3 Singlet Numbers will now fall in line with the current FIBA ruling. Players are allowed to wear any number ranging from 1-99.
- 9.4 Registered uniforms of recognized Clubs (see By-Law 2. (2) to have priority over other teams in all domestic competitions. In the case of two recognized Clubs having the same color uniform, the Club with the longest association with CADBA will have priority.

10. PROTESTS

- 10.1 Any team desiring to lodge a protest in respect of any game must endorse the scoring system in the presence of the referee, signifying the intention to protest. The official protest must be lodged in writing to the Association within seven (7) days of the match. The parties concerned shall have the right to attend the meeting at which the protest will be heard.

11. ADMISSION FEES

- 11.1 Admission fees and penalty for non-payment for the competition matches will be determined from time to time by CADBA

12. PLAYERS HEALTH

- 12.1 Players all play any match at their own risk.
- 12.2 CADBA prefers that pregnant women not play after they are 12 weeks pregnant.
- 12.3 CADBA has adopted the recommendations of Basketball Victoria Pregnancy Policy in regard to playing and refereeing. The Policy statement is detailed in the VBA Pregnancy Policy document June 19th 1998.

13. LIFE MEMBERSHIP

13.1 Life Members may be elected at the Annual General Meeting by a three/fourths majority of those present, provided that written notice of nomination for such election shall have been given to CADBA 21 days at least before the meeting is held. Life memberships shall be restricted to those whose services to basketball and the Association has been worthy of the highest honour. By resolution of a three/fourths majority vote of the Association, Life Membership may be cancelled.

13.2 Privileges of a Life Member shall include free admission to all functions held by the Association, and attendance at all Association meetings. Life Members shall be awarded a badge of appropriate design.

14. TRIBUNAL PROCEDURES

CADBA operate under a Regional Tribunal and adopts all procedures as per Basketball Victoria procedures.

15. UNRULY BEHAVIOUR BY SPECTATOR(S)

1. The Referee is to stop the clock and game.
2. Notify the Venue Manager who is to speak to:
 - a. The coach / coaches and or Captain / Captains.
 - b. The Spectator/Spectators
3. The Venue Manager will inform the spectator that the behavior is unsuitable and this continues he/she will be asked to leave.
4. When the spectator complies with the Venue Managers instructions the game will resume.
5. If the spectator refuses to comply with the Venue Managers requests or if the behavior re-occurs:
 - a. The Referee stops the clock, if subsequent behavior continues the Manager will inform the spectator he / she must now leave the court area.
 - b. If the spectator refuses to leave, the clock remains stopped. The spectator is to be notified that the police are to be called.
 - c. If there is a time delay of more than 5 minutes in the police arriving the game is cancelled.
6. CADBA may investigate to determine if the game should be rescheduled at a later date.

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16. HANGING FROM THE RINGS

Any person hanging from the rings, nets and or supports during non-game times will incur a 3 week suspension.

17. WINDING UP

17.1 In the event of CADBA being disbanded, its net assets will not be distributed to members but will be distributed to:

- (i) a fund with objectives similar to those of CADBA; or
- (ii) a fund which has a philanthropic or benevolent purpose, including the promotion of art, culture, science, religion, education or charity, and including the benefiting of a fund certified to be a patriotic fund under section 24 of the Patriotic Funds Act 1958 or the fund or part of the fund of the Australian Red Cross Society; or
- (iii) a community or charitable organization

18. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

Our mission aims to provide a junior and senior based basketball structure that develops players, coaches, officials, and spectators in a way that enhances the sport in our local community and Victoria. CADBA is committed to ensuring that the highest level of support, dedication, opportunity, and development is delivered to all participants.

19. ANTI-DISCRIMINATION POLICY

CADBA has adopted the Anti - Discrimination Policy of the Basketball Victoria as outlined in the June 19th 1998 Policy Statement. (See attached Policy statement)

20. JEWELLERY & HAIR REGULATION

- (i) Rings are not accepted to be worn. (only securely taped wedding bands allowed.)
- (ii) No bracelets or necklaces allowed.
- (iii) Earrings will only be allowed if they are flat studs and tapped securely.
- (iv) No plastic hair slide combs or clips are to be worn on the basketball court.
- (v) Bobby pins are allowed.
- (vi) No metal/hard plastic head bands are permitted. Material head bands are accepted if they are less than 5cm in width.
- (vii) Braided beads are only allowed if secured in a ponytail.
- (viii) No long-platted hair is allowed.

APPENDIX 1 – U8 & U10 COMPETITIONS

OBJECTIVES OF THE PROGRAMS

The objective of these programs is to provide an opportunity for new players to learn the fundamental skills and Rules of Basketball in a fun and friendly environment.

OBJECTIVES OF THE COACH: To play all players for relatively equal periods of time and to encourage them to shoot, dribble, pass and play in a team concept.

OBJECTIVES OF THE REFEREES

To acquaint the player and the coach with the basic rules of: fouls, travels, double dribbles, and held balls. Not to be overly strict on violations initially, and to explain the violation to the players and coaches. Referees need to be able to communicate well with the players and coaches.

APPENDIX 2 – RULE CHANGES FOR UNDERAGE COMPETITIONS

UNDER 8

- Size 5 basketball
- Lowered ring (8 foot) where available
- Free throw shots from U12 line
- Cross court rule not enforced
- Three seconds in key not enforced
- Man to man defense must be played
- Yellow Line Rule:

After a basket is scored or a side ball situation referees are to enforce the yellow/red line rule. The defensive team must run back to the offensive team's yellow/red line or **netball 3rd court line**. No defense is allowed to be played above the yellow line to allow teams a chance to dribble the ball down and attempt to get a score. This is not enforced in normal passages of play where a player loses the ball to the opposition. However, if the referee assesses that a team is struggling to get the ball up the court he / she may direct the defense to retreat back behind the line.

- Each player is only allowed to score 10 points (5 field goals) per half, plus any bonus free throw points. This is to encourage passing and to give all players an opportunity to score.
- Coaches are permitted on the court to help their players

UNDER 10

- Size 5 basketball
- Normal ring (10 foot)
- Free throw shots from U12 line
- Five seconds in key enforced
- Man to man defense must be played
- 20-point mercy rule to the 3 point line on end and side balls

After a basket is scored or a side ball situation referees are to enforce the mercy rule. This is not enforced in normal passages of play where a player loses the ball to the opposition. However, if the referee assesses that a team is struggling to get the ball up the court he / she may direct the defense to retreat to the three point line

UNDER 12

- Size 5 basketball
- Normal ring (10 foot)
- Three-point shots count from inner 3-point line
- Free throw shots from short free throw line
- Five seconds in key enforced
- Man to man defense must be played

UNDER 14

- Size 6 basketball
- Normal ring (10 foot)
- Three-point shots count from inner 3-point line
- Free throw shots from regular free throw line
- Three seconds in key enforced
- Man to man defense must be played

UNDER 16 – U21

- Size 7 basketball male and Size 6 Female
- Normal ring (10 foot)
- Three-point shots count from outer 3-point line
- Free throw shots from regular free throw line
- Three seconds in key enforced
- Zone defense allowed

CADBA group competitions into genders. However, for junior players at an under 8 age, children may participate in mixed teams. For U10 and above, competitions will be gendered and players participate in the gender they identify as.

MAN TO MAN DEFENSE

Man to man defense requires:

- Each player must pick up and defend one player.
- This does not have to be done at full court; half court or the three-point line is acceptable.
- Players can move into a help position provided they maintain vision on both their players and the ball, players standing in the key can be asked to reposition themselves by the referees or opposition coach.
- Teams may still play a trapping defense but must adopt man-to-man principles once the trap is broken.
- Teams with less than five players on the court may play a zone.

The penalty for illegal defense can result in the game being forfeit as determined by CADBA.

Members who witness zone defense in prohibited age groups can remind the opposition coach and or report it to the CADBA office to follow up.

Tribunals & Member Protection - Basketball Victoria

By-laws (Tribunal)

1. Tribunals & Reports

- 1.1 Tribunals and reports are conducted under the Basketball Victoria By-laws (Tribunal) which can be found on the CADBA website.
- 1.2 Tribunals are administrated and conducted under the regional Peninsula Tribunal Panel, an independent group. This tribunal runs under the direction of Basketball Victoria and adopts all policies and procedures outlines in the Basketball Victoria Tribunal.
- 1.3 All by-laws previously made concerning Tribunals are rescinded.

2. Social Media

- 2.1 CADBA follows the Basketball Victoria Member Protection By-laws regarding conduct on social media. Participants that violate these by-laws will be sanctioned through the Basketball Victoria Tribunal.