# BAS WOMEN'S NATIONAL BASKETBALL LEAGUE 2025 DIVISION 1



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# **RULES & REGULATIONS**

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#### **RULES & REGULATIONS GUIDELINES**

# 1. Objectives

To raise Singapore Women's basketball standards & talent scout players for the Singapore Women's National Team.

# 2. Competition

BAS reserves the right to modify the competition schedule, including match dates, times and venue, if necessary.

#### 2.1 Competition Period

The competition will take place from <u>6 Apr to 01 Jun 2025</u>. All participating teams must play all their matches until they are eliminated.

Finals game will fall on <u>01 Jun 2025 (Sun).</u>

#### 2.2 Competition Venue

Matches will be held at the Singapore Basketball Centre, Aljunied Avenue 1 #01-04, Singapore 389862

#### 2.3 Qualifying Teams

The Top 8 teams from Women's National Basketball League 2025:

- 1. Siglap Basketball Club
- 2. Hillcrest Grays
- 3. Kim Huat Warriors
- 4. Kembangan Chai Chee
- 5. Kim Huat Blazers
- 6. Starbalm
- 7. Proform
- 8. Radin Mas

If a team wishes to change its registered name, team must submit a written request to BAS (<a href="mailto:tournament@bas.org.sg">tournament@bas.org.sg</a>) for approval. BAS's decision is final, and if there is any disagreement, BAS reserves the right to withdraw the team from the competition.

#### 2.4 Relegations & Promotions

The 8th teams in WNBL Division 1 will be relegated, while the champion in WNBL Open will earn promotion to WNBL Division 1

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#### 3.1 Registration fee

| BAS association member       | <b>\$1100</b> per Team |
|------------------------------|------------------------|
| Non - BAS association member | <b>\$1300</b> per Team |

The registration fee is to be paid in full by all participating teams to BAS Office before commence of the tournament.

#### 3.2 Forms & Submissions

Incomplete forms and/or payments submitted after the registration deadline may result in the team's withdrawal from the competition.

1) Team Entry Form:

All Qualifying Teams to submit Team Entry Form (ASAP).

- 2) Players' & Officials' (P&O) and Players' Indemnity (PI) Form: PI form is required for all players.
- 3) Upload and submit all completed P&O and PI Form <a href="mailto:tournament@bas.org.sg">tournament@bas.org.sg</a>
- 4) If there are issues with submission, email submit directly to tournament@bas.org.sg before registration close. (*Refer to 3.5*)

#### 3.3 Amendment

A fee of \$100 will be imposed for any changes made after registration close. Change request and payment must be submitted at least 24 hours prior to the commencement of the next game.

#### 3.4 Payment

BAS will issue an invoice upon receiving the Team Entry Form. Payment to be made via PayNow/Bank Transfer with **'Invoice Number'** remarked & **screenshot** (proof of payment).

#### 3.5 Registration Close

All registration forms and payments must be submitted by FRI, 21 Mar 2025, 6PM.

### 4. Eligibility of Players

All teams are responsible for ensuring the eligibility of their players at all times and will bear the consequences of any violations of the Regulations.

#### 4.1 BAS Banned

Players currently banned by BAS cannot be registered by any team unless their suspension ends before the competition begins.

#### 4.2 Citizenship

Players must be Singapore Citizens, Singapore Permanent Residents (PR), or hold a valid pass in Singapore with a FIN number throughout the entire competition period.

#### 5. Eligibility of Teams

#### 5.1 Registered Players

Players must be duly registered to participate in the competition. Each team must register between 10 to 15 players. Once registered with a team, a player cannot represent any other team in the competition. Mid-season player changes or additions are **NOT** allowed.

#### 5.2 Foreign Players

To ensure local players receive adequate playing time and meet competition objectives, each team is permitted to have a maximum of **2** imported or foreign players.

Players must be Singapore Citizens (pink NRIC). However, each team is allowed to register a maximum of 2 players who are:

- Singapore Permanent Residents (PR);
- Work Permit holder (minimum 6 months validity);
- Dependent Pass holder (minimum 6 months validity); or
- Student Pass holder (minimum 6 months validity)

#### 6. Duties of Team

#### **6.1 Adherence to Fixtures**

Teams are required to adhere to the scheduled fixtures as set by the organizing

body. Any changes to the schedule are typically communicated in advance.

#### 6.2 Punctuality

Teams must arrive and be ready for their games at the specified time. This includes being on the court and prepared for warm-ups and tip-off as scheduled.

#### 6.3 Game Roster

Each team may register a maximum of 12 players for each game. Team Officials/Coaches must submit their Team Roster List to the Game Officials (Referees) 20 minutes prior to the start of the game.

#### 6.4 Player Verification

Before the commencement of the competition, players shall be subjected to identity and age verification under the supervision of the tournament manager.

#### 6.5 Age of Participants

Participants should be between the age of 18 and 55 years old.

To align with the objective, each team is permitted to register a maximum of  $\underline{2}$  youth players. Player who is under 21 years old are allow to participate in WNBL Division 2 provide in the same basketball club.

For player safety, BAS will consider the player's past experiences and level of play (at least National School Games or other events of similar scale and intensity) before determining eligibility.

#### 6.5.1 Youth Players

Those age between 13 to 17 years old (born between January 1, 2012 and 31 Dec 2007) This group of participants must complete the PI Form including parental consent and to be submitted before registration close.

#### 7. Uniform

Teams must ensure their uniforms comply with these rules to ensure smooth competition. These rules help maintain a professional and cohesive appearance on the court, while also ensuring safety and fairness in the game.

#### 7.1 Team Colors and Design

Each team must have two sets of uniforms: one in light (white) colour and one in dark color. The light and dark sets must be clearly distinguishable.

Uniforms must have a consistent design for all players on a team, including the

same colors and patterns.

The colors of the jersey top and bottom must be consistent. This means that both the shirt and shorts of the uniform should match in colour and design to maintain a cohesive appearance for the team.

#### 7.2 Player/Jersey Numbers

Players must wear numbers between 0 and 99. Each player on the team must have a unique number.

Numbers in front of the jersey must be at least **8 cm high**.

Numbers on the back of the jersey must be at least 16 cm high.

#### 7.3 Protective Gear Rules

Compression tight/Inner wear must be solid-coloured and match the team's uniform or be neutral. Protective Gear should be properly secured and not pose a risk to others.

#### 8. Duties of Team Officials

#### 8.1 Registered Officials

Each team must include 1 Team Manager, 1 Head Coach, up to 2 Assistant Coaches, and 2 Team Followers (such as media crew and physiotherapist). An individual may only be registered for one role per team. Team Managers must be at least 21 years old.

Only registered team officials are permitted on the team's bench during games.

#### 8.2 Certifications

All team coaches must be registered with the National Registry of Coaches (NROC).

#### 8.3 Attire

Team Officials must wear neat, professional attire, including collared shirts and closed-toe shoes. Footwear must be closed-toe; slippers and sandals are not allowed.

Attire should be consistent with the team's professional appearance.

# 9. Competition Provisions

#### 9.1 Team Managers (TM) Meeting

The TM Meeting will take place in the Conference Room at the Singapore Basketball Centre (SBC) on <u>14 Mar 2025 8pm (Fri).</u>

The competition format and fixtures will be announced during the meeting. No changes to team compositions will be allowed once the Team Managers Meeting is concluded.

Each registered team must send 1 representative from their list of registered team officials.

#### 9.2 Insurance of Participants

Participating teams are required to provide insurance coverage for their players and team officials. BAS and its agents will not be responsible or liable for any death, disability, injury, property loss, or any other loss arising from or related to the competition.

#### 10.2 Individual Awards

**3 Pointer shooter, Top Rebound and Top scorer awards** is awarded to the top-performing (1) player in the championship game (Season), recognizing their exceptional contribution to their team's success.

**Finals Most Valuable Player (Finals MVP)** is awarded to the top-performing (1) player in the championship game, recognizing their exceptional contribution to their team's success.

Each MVP shall be awarded with either a trophy or plaque.

#### 10.3 Awards Ceremony

The ceremony will be held at the competition site immediately following the Finals.

The top 4 teams must attend the ceremony with a minimum of 10 registered players from each team.

All players and team officials are required to be properly attired for the ceremony (no slippers or sandals; covered shoes are a **MUST**).

# 11. Competition Rules

The competition will be conducted in accordance to FIBA's Official Basketball Rules 2022.

#### 11.1 Game Time

Matches must start on time. Delays can disrupt the schedule for subsequent

games and are generally avoided.

#### 11.2 Points Classification

Points 0 1 2

#### 11.3 Tie-Breaker Rules

The criteria for the classification of **two or more teams** with the **same points** shall be: 1. Head-to-head record of the games between them

- 2. Higher goal difference of the games between them
- 3. Higher number of goals scored in the games between them
- 4. Higher goal difference of all games in the group
- 5. Higher number of goals scored in all games in the group

If these criteria still cannot decide, a draw shall decide the classification.

#### 11.4 Game Lost by Default

A team shall lose a game by default if, during the game, the team has fewer than 2 players on the court ready to play. If the team to which the game is awarded is ahead, the score shall stand as at the time when the game was stopped. If the team to which the game is awarded is not ahead, the score shall be recorded as 2 to 0 in its favor.

The defaulting team shall receive 1 point in the classification.

#### 11.5 Game Lost by Forfeit

A team shall lose the game by forfeit if:

- 1. 15 minutes after the scheduled starting time, the team is not present or is unable to field <u>5</u> players ready to play or,
- 2. Its actions prevent the game from being played and/or,
- 3. It refuses to play after being instructed to do so by the referee.

The game shall then be awarded to the opponent and the score shall be 20 to 0.

#### 11.6 Game Abandonment

If unsafe or unforeseen circumstances occur, the referee has the authority to stop or terminate the match. For an abandoned game, the game time, score, and statistical records will be preserved and the match will resume from where it left off at a later date and time. In a rescheduled game, only the players and team officials listed for the original abandoned game may participate.

#### 12. Technical Fouls

The definition of a Technical Foul will adhere to Article 36 of the Official Basketball

Rules 2022. Any Player, Head Coach, Assistant Coach, Team Official, or other Team Personnel who accumulate three (3) or more technical fouls during the season will face the following fines and sanctions:

| No. of Offenses                | Fine  | Additional Sanction                                  |
|--------------------------------|-------|--|
| 3                              |       | 1 Game Suspension                                    |
| 4                              | \$300 | 1 Game Suspension                                    |
| 5                              | \$400 | 2 Game Suspension                                    |
| 6 and each succeeding instance | \$500 | Disciplinary Inquiry<br>with Immediate<br>Suspension |

# 13. Unsportsmanlike Fouls

The definition of an Unsportsmanlike Foul will follow Article 37 of the Official Basketball Rules 2022. Any player who commits three (3) or more Unsportsmanlike Fouls during the season will be subject to the following fines and sanctions:

| No. of Offenses                | Fine  | Additional Sanction                                  |
|--------------------------------|-------|--|
| 3                              |       | 1 Game Suspension                                    |
| 4                              | \$300 | 2 Game Suspension                                    |
| 5 and each succeeding instance | \$400 | Disciplinary Inquiry<br>with Immediate<br>Suspension |

# 14. Disqualifying Fouls

The definition of a Disqualifying Foul will be in accordance with Article 38 of the Official Basketball Rules 2022. Any Player, Head Coach, Assistant Coach, Team Official, or other Team Personnel who incurs a Disqualifying Foul during the season will be subject to the following fines and sanctions:

| No. of Offenses | Fine  | Additional Sanction                                  |
|-----------------|-------|--|
| 1               |       | 1 Game Suspension                                    |
| 2               | \$500 | 2 Game Suspension                                    |
| 3               | \$800 | Disciplinary Inquiry<br>with Immediate<br>Suspension |

Failure to leave the playing area as required by Article 36.2.3, Article 37.2.3, and

Article 38.3.2 of the Official Basketball Rules 2022 will result in an automatic fine of SGD 1,000.00 and/or a suspension as deemed appropriate by the organizing committees.

#### 15. Walk over

Failing to appear or forfeiting the match will result in a \$200 penalty payable to the organizers.

# 16. Instant Replay System (IRS)

The IRS will only be available in all games.

#### 17. Protest

Teams must inform the Game Officials (Referees/Competition Manager) immediately after the game if they wish to protest the result.

#### 17.1 Procedures

The team captain must inform the referee of the protest and sign the score sheet in the designated 'Captain's Signature in Case of Protest' area immediately after the game followed by paying a deposit bond of S\$400 immediately.

To validate the protest, the team must submit a written confirmation within 20 minutes after the game stating: "Team X protests against the result of the game between Teams X and Y." BAS must receive a detailed explanation on the grounds of protest by the following day before 10.00am.

The organizers' decision shall be final. If the protest is successful, the security bond will be refunded. Teams must continue with their scheduled matches while awaiting the protest outcome.

# 18. Disciplinary Matters

#### 18.1 Violence

Any acts of intimidation, threats, or violence towards opponents, referees, table officials, game supervisors, or BAS representatives may lead to disciplinary action. If a team commits an infraction potentially warranting disciplinary penalties, it must submit a written report to BAS by the day after the game.

#### **18.2 Disciplinary Action**

Teams that forfeit a game may incur a \$500 fine and may be referred to the Disciplinary Committee. A second forfeit could lead to the team's disqualification

from the competition. The use of unregistered players may result in the team's disqualification and referral to the Disciplinary Committee.

#### 19. Others

#### **19.1 Marketing Consent**

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#### 19.2 Disclaimer

By registering for and participating in this event, Team Officials and Team Participants consent to interviews, photography, audio recordings, video recordings, and their release, publication, exhibition, or reproduction for news, webcasts, promotional purposes, telecasts, advertising, website inclusion, or any other uses deemed appropriate by the Basketball Association of Singapore (BAS), its vendors, partners, affiliates, and representatives. They agree to release the Organizers of WNBL 2024, including its officers and employees, from any liability related to the creation, recording, digitizing, or publication of these materials.

#### 19.3 Indemnity

Team Officials and Team Participants assume full responsibility for any mishap or injury that may occur during or as a result of their participation in WNBL 2024. The Team agrees not to hold BAS, its staff, volunteers, or agents responsible for any damage to, or loss of property or life that may occur during the event or arise in connection with the event.

#### 19.4 Lite Quest 3 x 3

All teams are require to send a team for Lite Quest 3 x 3. No register fee is require.

#### 20. Others

For any issues not explicitly covered by the rules, the decision of the Basketball Association of Singapore (BAS) shall be deemed final and binding. BAS reserves the right to amend, add or remove any rules as deemed necessary to ensure the proper conduct of the competition.

Failure to comply with these rules & regulations, even in the absence of a specifically stated penalty, may result in disciplinary action. Such actions will be

| determined at the sole discretion of BAS, and its decisions on these matters shall be final and conclusive. |
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