1. **OBJECTIVES**

# BAS’s objectives for the Youth Cup:

# To promote mass participation amongst the youth as a healthy and exciting team sport and spectator sport of choice.

# To raise local basketball standards and scout talented players for the national youth teams.

1. **REGISTRATION**

# Categories

* 1. This competition is open to all teams, subject to player eligibility.
	2. There are 6 categories in this competition:

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| U18 Boys | Players must be born in the years 2007 and 2008. Each team is allowed a maximum of 3 players born in 2009\*. (Except for the national U16 youth team if fielded.)  |
| U18 Girls |
| U16 Boys | Players must be born in the years 2009 and 2010. Each team is allowed a maximum of 3 players born in 2011\*. |
| U16 Girls |
| U14 Boys | Players must be born in the years 2011 – 2014\*. |
| U14 Girls |

 \* Note:

* Minimum of 5 teams registered in each category to proceed with the competition.
* Players participating in a higher age group category must provide a parent consent letter to play in the particular age group.

# Procedure

* 1. All eligible teams have to complete their registration by **16 May 2025, 1700 hours**.
	2. The Official Entry Form and Indemnity Form will be made available on the official BAS website.
	3. The following items shall be submitted when applying for team registration:
		1. Duly completed Team Entry Form, Indemnity Forms (submission date: 16 May 2025, 1700 hours.)
		2. Invoice will be issued upon registration closure. Full payment of the registration fee must be made by **19 May 2025**; failure to comply will result in the team’s participation being withdrawn.
		3. Club logo in AI or JPEG format.
		4. Such other documents as required under the Rules and Regulations.
	4. Registration fee shall be $600 for BAS Full/Associate Members; $800 for Non-BAS Full Members. Registration fees are non-refundable.
	5. MOE schools will be entitled to the BAS Full Member registration rate for participation in the Youth Cup 2025. In addition, MOE schools are not required to submit player indemnity forms, provided that the Teacher-In-Charge is present at all times during the games. However, if the Teacher-In-Charge is unable to be present, the school is required to submit the players’ indemnity forms to enable the organizer to activate appropriate medical assistance if necessary.
	6. Once registration is closed, an E-Invoice will be issued by BAS, and thereafter payment can be made quoting the invoice number in the reference of the bank transfer. **BAS accepts NO CASH PAYMENT.**
	7. For the Government School taking part, do provide us with the following:
1. Ministry/ Stat Board：
2. Department:
3. Sub-business unit:
4. To whom should the invoice be addressed?
5. Purchase Order ID:
	1. BAS has the right to reject if:
		1. There is an incomplete submission as required under item 3.3;
		2. The submission is done after the closing date
	2. Upon closure of registration and before the Team Managers Meeting, any team that wishes to make changes is required to submit their request together with supporting documents. BAS reserves the right to review and impose an admin fee of $100 on the team.
	3. A fee of $300 will be imposed on parties for changes made to their team’s name. No changes are allowed after the Team Managers Meeting.
	4. No further changes are to be made to the tournament fixtures/schedule once it is published.
	5. Should there be any changes due to unforeseen circumstances, BAS reserves the right to make adjustments and provide advance notice on the revised fixtures/schedule.

# Eligibility of Players

The team shall be responsible for the eligibility of its players at all times and shall bear the consequences of any infractions of the Regulations.

* 1. Players and officials who are currently banned by BAS must not be registered by any team, unless the term of their suspension ends prior to the completion of the competition.
	2. Teams can register up to a maximum of 2 players who do not hold Singapore citizenship (pink NRIC). These players must either be a Permanent Resident, or they must hold a valid Student Pass/Student Concessional Card issued by the MOE, Polys, ITEs, or an International School in Singapore, or a Dependent’s pass, Long-Term visit pass, Immigration Exemption Order.

 Refer to <https://www.transitlink.com.sg/school-smart-card-non-moe-school-smart-card/> for more information.

* 1. Players can only take part in a maximum of TWO (2) different categories **under the same club/academy**; However, **no rescheduling of competition requests will be entertained** for any clashes of competition fixtures.
1. **DUTIES OF THE TEAM**

# Players

* 1. Only those players who have duly registered are entitled to participate in the competition.
	2. Each team is required to register a minimum of 10 players and a maximum of 15 players. No more than 12 players are allowed to be registered to play for each game. The Team Officials must submit their Team Roster 20 minutes before each game to the referee.
	3. All players must submit the prescribed Indemnity Form and Parent Consent Letter (if playing in a higher age group category) to BAS upon submission for the registration of the team, failing which, the player in question shall not be allowed to take part in the competition.
	4. Once a player has registered under a team, he/she is not allowed to represent another registered team in the competition.
	5. Players must wear the same jersey number as stated on the team’s entry form.
	6. Before the commencement of the competition, players shall be subjected to identity and age verification under the supervision of the Game Supervisors.

# Team Officials

* 1. Each team may consist of one (1) Team Manager, one (1) Head Coach, up to two (2) Assistant Coaches, and one (1) Team Official.
	2. Team Managers must be at least 21 years old.
	3. Team Managers shall be responsible for the conduct of all players and officials.
	4. All registered coaches must be NROC registered.
	5. All registered coaches are required to send copies of their coaching certificates to chua\_ping@bas.org.sg along with the registration form **by 16 May 2025, 1700 hours**.
	6. Only registered team officials are allowed to be on the team bench during the matches.
	7. Team Officials must be in proper attire during the competition (no slippers or sandals, wearing covered shoes is compulsory).
1. **COMPETITION PROVISIONS**

# Team Managers Meeting

* 1. The Team Manager meeting and Team Draw will be conducted in the Conference Room of Singapore Basketball Centre on **20 May 2025, at 2000 hr / 8 PM**.
	2. The Team Managers may ask any relevant questions about the Youth Cup 2025 in this meeting.
	3. The Team Draw will also be conducted on the same day.
	4. The competition format will be subject to the number of teams signed up and shall be announced during the Team Managers Meeting.
	5. The teams registered under the same Full Member/Associate Member/Non-member may be drawn into the same group during the preliminaries. In the event the teams advanced into the same group post preliminaries, they will be scheduled to play against each other first.
	6. No changes to the composition of the teams will be allowed after the Team Managers’ Meeting has concluded.

# Insurance of Participants

* 1. The participating teams shall provide the necessary insurance coverage for their players and team officials.
	2. BAS, its staff, and its agents shall not be responsible or in any way liable for any death, disabilities, injuries, loss of property, or any other loss arising from any cause related to or during competition.

# Playing Uniforms

* 1. All players on the team must have one set of dark and one set of light (white) jerseys.

# Competition Schedule

* 1. The period of competition will be between late May to Jul 2025, tentatively.
	2. The fixture list will be sent to all Team Managers through email and published on the BAS social media/website.

# Competition Venue

* 1. All matches will be held at the **Singapore Basketball Centre.** (The Organizer will announce to the Team Managers should there be any unforeseen changes.)
1. **AWARDS**

# Awards & Prizes

* 1. Trophies and Individual medallions will be awarded to the top 4 teams in each category.

# Medal Ceremony

* 1. The ceremony will take place at the site of the competition immediately after the Finals.
	2. The top 4 teams must attend the ceremony, with a minimum of 10 registered players present.
	3. All players and team officials must be properly attired when attending the ceremony (no slippers or sandals, wearing covered shoes is compulsory).
	4. Disciplinary action will be taken against any team that violates Rule 13.2 and 13.3.
1. **COMPETITION RULES**

The competition will be conducted in accordance with FIBA’s Official Basketball Rules 2024.

# Classification Rules

* 1. Points will be awarded to teams based on the following:
1. 2 points – Win
2. 1 point – Lost (including by default)
3. 0 point – Lost by forfeit

Teams will be classified according to their accumulated number of points.

# Tie-Breaker Rules

* 1. The criteria for the classification of two or more teams having the same number of points shall be (in order):
		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
		6. If these criteria are still unable to decide the classification, it shall be determined by a draw

# Game Lost by Default

* 1. 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.

# Game Lost by Forfeit

* 1. 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 5 players ready to play
2. Its actions prevent the game from being played
3. It refuses to play after being instructed to do so by the referee.
	1. The game shall then be awarded to the opponent, and the score shall be 20 to 0.
	2. Any team that forfeits a game may face disciplinary inquiry by BAS.

# Game Abandonment

* 1. In the event of unsafe or unforeseen circumstances, the referee shall decide to stop or terminate the match.
	2. In the event of an abandoned game, the game time, score, and statistical records will be retained and continued when the match is resumed at a later date and time.
	3. In a rescheduled game, teams may only use players and team officials who were listed for the original game that was abandoned.

# Technical Fouls

* 1. The definition of a Technical Foul will be observed and followed as stated in Article 36 of the Official Basketball Rules 2022. Any Player, Head Coach, Assistant Coach, Team Official, and other Team Personnel who commit at least three (3) technical fouls and above during the season will merit the following fines and sanctions:

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| **No. of Offenses** | **Additional Sanction** |
| 3 | 1 Game Suspension |
| 4 | 2 Game Suspension |
| 5 | 3 Game Suspension |
| 6 and each succeeding instance | Disciplinary inquiry by BAS |

# Unsportsmanlike Fouls

* 1. The definition of an Unsportsmanlike Foul will be observed and followed as stated in Article 37 of the Official Basketball Rules 2022. Any Player who commits at least three (3) Unsportsmanlike fouls during the season will merit the following fines and sanctions:

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| **No. of Offenses** | **Additional Sanction** |
| 3 | 1 Game Suspension |
| 4 | 2 Game Suspension |
| 5 and each succeeding instance | Disciplinary inquiry by BAS |

# Respectfulness and Sportsmanship Rule

* 1. In the spirit of healthy competition and mutual respect, we hereby introduce a pivotal rule for our youth basketball competition: \*No Arrogance, No Taunting\*.

All participants are expected to understand and uphold the value of respect, not only towards their teammates but also towards opponents, officials, and spectators. We are all here to grow, learn, and enjoy the game of basketball together.

Any form of arrogance, taunting, or disrespectful behaviour aimed at others is strictly prohibited and will not be tolerated.

* 1. Engaging in such behavior will have consequences:
1. **First Offense**: The offending player will receive a warning and must immediately apologize to the affected party.
2. **Second Offense**: The player will be removed from the game and may face suspension from the next match, subject to review.
3. **Repeated Offenses**: Continuous disregard for this rule will result in the player being removed from the competition entirely and the club being fined.

# Disqualifying Fouls

* 1. The definition of a Disqualifying Foul will be observed and followed as stated in Article 38 of the Official Basketball Rules 2022. Any Player, Head Coach, Assistant Coach, Team Official, and other Team Personnel who has incurred a disqualifying foul during the season will merit the following fines and sanctions:

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| **No. of Offenses** | **Additional Sanction** |
| 1 | 1 Game Suspension |
| 2 | 2 Game Suspension |
| 3 | Disciplinary inquiry by BAS |

# Protests

* 1. Teams that are protesting the result of their matches shall immediately, at the end of the game, inform the referee.
1. The captain of that team shall, immediately at the end of the game, inform the referee that his team is protesting against the result of the game and sign the score sheet in the space marked 'Captain's Signature in Case of Protest'.
2. To make this protest valid, it is necessary for the team to confirm this protest in writing. This must be made within 20 minutes following the end of the game. It is sufficient to write, 'The team X protests against the result of the game between teams X and Y'.
3. BAS must receive a detailed explanation on the grounds of protest and a deposit bond of S$400 by the following day before 10.00 am.
4. 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.
5. **DISCIPLINARY MATTERS**
	1. Any menacing, intimidation, or acts of violence towards the opponents, Referees, Table Officials, Game Supervisors, or BAS representatives will result in disciplinary action.
	2. If a team commits an infraction for which it could be subject to disciplinary penalties, the team shall send a written report to BAS the day following the game.
	3. Use of unregistered player(s) may result in the disqualification of the team from the competition, and the team may be referred to the Disciplinary Committee.
	4. Any Individual subjected to disciplinary inquiry by BAS will be suspended from all subsequent games with immediate effect. Disciplinary inquiry will be initiated by BAS within 3 working days.
6. **OTHER RULES**
	1. BAS, its staff, and agents will not be responsible or in any way liable for any death, disability, personal injury, loss of property, or any other loss arising from any cause related to or during the competition.
	2. In the event of any questions or matters arising out of any point, which is not expressly provided for in any of the rules governing the competition, the decision of BAS shall be final.
	3. BAS reserves the right to make changes, to add, delete, and/or vary the said rules at any time as it considers necessary.
	4. **Media and Marketing Consent**

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* 1. **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 Organizer, including its officers and employees, from any liability related to the creation, recording, digitizing, or publication of these materials.

* 1. **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. 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.

* 1. **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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