

RULES AND REGULATIONS, BASKETBALL COMPETITION

I. GOALS OF THE COMPETITION

1.1. The basketball tournament aims for:

- the promotion and popularization of basketball;
- the organization of leisure for amateur players and the development of a healthy lifestyle;
- raising the skill levels among tournament participants;
- determining the strongest amateur teams.

II. GENERAL PROVISIONS

2.1. These regulations will determine the operations of the amateur basketball tournament.

III. MANAGEMENT OF THE COMPETITIONS

3.1. The Russian LGBT Sports Federation will manage the general organization and operations of the basketball competitions.

3.2. The coordinator will have responsibility for the preparation, organization and operation of the competitions. The coordinator's duties will include the following:

- a) drawing up the tournament table;
- b) ensuring that participants observe the conditions of participation in the competitions;
- c) accepting and reviewing disputes;
- d) naming judges and referees;
- e) keeping track of the results of the competitions;
- f) maintaining and keeping records related to the competitions;
- g) bringing information about changes in the tournament table, about disqualifications of players and team staff, and other necessary information, to the attention of players and officials.

IV. PARTICIPANTS AND CONDITIONS OF THE COMPETITIONS

4.1. Players of amateur basketball clubs are allowed to participate in the competitions.

4.2. Participants are required to fulfil the requirements of these regulations.

4.3. About the spread of players among the teams: applications are accepted from teams and from single players. After the submission of applications from individual players is complete, teams will be formed through a draw.

4.4. Only men's teams and women's teams will be allowed to compete. Mixed teams will not be admitted.

4.5. The winners of the men's and women's groups will not play each other. The tournament will have two first places, for women and men.

4.6. Athletes who have reached the age of 18 will be admitted to participation. Each player will indicate her age on the registration form for participation.

4.7. A team will incur a technical defeat for non-appearance or lateness to a game of more than 10 minutes.

4.8. A team that has fewer than 4 players present at the start of a game will be considered as not having appeared. In exceptional circumstances, an official may delay the start of a game, but for no longer than 10 minutes.

4.9. Players from each team should wear corresponding clothing.

V. STRUCTURE OF THE COMPETITIONS AND DETERMINATION OF THE WINNERS

5.1. The teams will play in a system of rounds in 2 groups.

5.2. A draw among the groups will be conducted at the competitions.

5.3. Each game will last 30 minutes.

5.4. Each game will consist of 2 halves of 15 minutes.

5.5. Time-outs are allowed during the games.

5.6. Unlimited substitutes are allowed. Substitutes will be made with the permission of the officials.

5.7. The winner of a game will be the team that has:

gained the higher number of points during two halves;

in the event of a tie, has gained the higher number of points in an extra free throw competition.

5.8. If, at the end of the group stage, two or more teams have the same number of points, then the team that will claim the higher place will be determined by the higher number of successful free throws.

The criteria will be carried out in order of use. If officials succeed at distinguishing the teams by a higher criterion, then a lower will not be used.

5.9. At the end of the group stage:

the teams occupying 2nd place in each group will play between themselves for 3rd and 4th place in the tournament;

the teams occupying 1st place in each group will play between themselves for 1st and 2nd place in the tournament.

A 5th-6th place game will not be played.

5.10. The allocation of points in the general accounting of the results will be as follows:

1st place – 12 points;

2nd place – 10 points;

3rd place – 8 points;

4th place – 6 points;

5th and 6th place – 5 points.

VI. OFFICIATING

6.1. Referees named by the coordinator will officiate.

6.2. The referees will not be responsible for recording play.

VII. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PLAYERS, OFFICIALS, TEAM MANAGERS

7.1. The players and managers taking part in the tournament are required to fulfil all the requirements of these regulations, maintaining a high level of discipline, organization, and respect for each other and the spectators.

7.2. For insulting gestures or expressions directed toward teammates, opponents, officials or spectators before, during or after play, the offending player's team will be assessed a technical defeat.

7.3. For threatening or hitting an opponent intentionally during or after a game, a player will receive a foul.

VIII. LEGAL ISSUES

8.1. By participating in tournament matches, each player recognizes the organizing committee's exclusive right to place advertising materials about the tournament, and also materials from its sponsors or partners, on sporting equipment during tournament matches (by agreement with the owners of the equipment).

8.2. The organizing committee is required to maintain confidentiality of the participants, and also not to distribute photos or video footage about the participation of players, in the media or on the Internet without the players' permission.