

Bridgetown Basketball Association Playing Conditions

General

- Games comprise two 20-minute halves with 3 minutes for half-time and 7 minutes between games
- Two time-outs allowed per half. No time-outs allowed in the last two minutes of the second half
- Teams receive 3 points for a win, 2 points for a draw, 1 point for a loss, and 0 points for a forfeit
- BWA Code of Conduct for players, coaches, and spectators applies
- **Respect the refs**
 - They are here to make things fair and safe and there is no game without them
 - Our green shirt referees are kids who are learning, just like the junior players. Please direct any questions to the senior refs/ref coach/committee members
 - Black-and-white-shirt referees may only be approached to respectfully discuss a call/issue during breaks in the game: time-outs, half-time, end of game
 - Any backchat to referees during play, including from team spectators, is an automatic technical foul
 - 2 Tech Fouls will result in ejection from the game
 - A second double tech foul game will result in a 1-week suspension. 3 double tech foul games will result in suspension for the remainder of the season

The following conditions apply in addition to the above for the various age groupings.

Fledglings (U10s)

- Player-on-player defence only (no zone)
- No defence in the back court

- Coaches and Referees are prioritising improvement and fun. As such both may pause the game at any time to instruct the kids, including coaches being able to step onto the court
- Size 5 ball

Sub Juniors (U13s)

- Player-on-player defence only (no zone)
- Full court defence is allowed
- Size 6 ball for both girls and boys teams
- Mercy Rule: If winning by 10 or more, rest your stars and develop others

Juniors (U16s)

- All forms of defence allowed
- Size 6 ball for girls, 7 for boys
- Mercy Rule: If winning by 15 or more, rest your stars and develop others

Seniors

- Size 6 ball for women, 7 for men
- Referee respect and game control a priority for the referees
- Referees will issue technical fouls if they are questioned either outside of the times allowed for discussion (time-outs, half time, end of game) or are addressed in a disrespectful/abusive manner

COVID Protocols

- Game balls, scoring tablets, scoreboard controls and direction arrow should be sanitized between games using the wipes on the tables
- Hand sanitiser will also be provided on the tables and should be used prior to and after the game
- Mask wearing by spectators/non-players is strongly encouraged
- Current government restrictions/rules must be followed. Failure to comply will result in stoppage of game play.