

FOOT LOCKER U16 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS
Hosted by Auckland Basketball Services – July 16-19, 2024

Draw

BBNZ cannot guarantee that team requests will be catered for in the draw but have tried to accommodate where possible. Please be aware, as there are many teams making similar requests not all could be fulfilled.

Boys 20 Teams

- 1 round robin - 4 pools of 5
- 1-8 Quarter, semi, finals for 1st/2nd qualifiers in each pool
- 9-16 Quarter, semi, finals for 3rd/4th qualifiers in each pool
- 17-20 Bottom 4 round robin for 5th qualifiers in each pool

Girls 20 Teams

- 1 round robin - 4 pools of 5,
- 1-8 Quarter, semi, finals for 1st/2nd qualifiers in each pool
- 9-16 Quarter, semi, finals for 3rd/4th qualifiers in each pool
- 17-20 Bottom 4 round robin for 5th qualifiers in pool B, C & D

Seeding

Seeding has been taken from the 2023 U15 Nationals final placings. The results from external (non BBNZ) competitions and/or tournaments are not used in the seeding process.

Rules and Regulations

The playing rules shall consist of the rules of FIBA, BBNZ's Internal Regulations, Drug Free Sport New Zealand (DFSNZ) Policies, BBNZ's Match Fixing Policy and unless specifically changed in these rules.

Times

- Warm Up – Minimum of 10 minutes
- Playing Time – 4 x 10 minute stop clock quarters
- Half Time – 5 minutes
- Quarter Time Intervals – 2 minutes
- Extra Periods – 5 minutes
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Technical Meeting

The technical meeting is compulsory, we ask that the coach and manager of each team to attend. The meeting will be held on **Sunday 14 July 7pm via Zoom/Teams**. The meeting will be recorded and therefore available to listen to post meeting. The link will be emailed to team contacts a few days in advance.

Opening Ceremony

There will be no opening ceremony for this tournament.

Awards Ceremony

The awards ceremony will be held shortly after the conclusion of the last game of the tournament. If you are aware that you will be presented an award, please be as close to the court as possible.

Awards

- National Championship Winner: championship trophy, medals
- National Championship Runner Up: runner up trophy, medals
- National Championship Third Place: medals
- Tournament Team: medals
- Finals officials, third place officials: medals
- MVP: trophy, medal

Tournament Officials

- **Tournament Director** – Jilly Harris – 021 044 0612
- **Volunteer Manager** – Calvin Tipene 022 177 3431
- **Floor Controllers** – Logan Ah-Hing, Susie Patana, Sapia Helu
- **Technical Commissioner** – Te Kirikauri Pene -
- **BBNZ Event Coordinator (U16 Lead)** – Tori Williams - 0272693339
- **BBNZ Tournament Lead** – Kathryn Jelas – 027 2332223
- **BBNZ Events Officials Lead** – Lauren Fitzgerald-Love – 022 134 7357

Team Roster

Please ensure that all your players are registered with BBNZ and are eligible to compete in the tournament. Once the Technical meeting has concluded, no changes may be made to team rosters, only those players listed on the score sheet for the first game may participate in the remainder of that Tournament as players [BBNZ Internal Regulations F1.5].

Please note that by providing your roster to BBNZ, the Association has undertaken player eligibility checks to ensure each player listed in your roster is eligible to participate for your Association. The Association is responsible for the eligibility of its players at all times and will bear the consequences of any infractions of the Regulations governing Eligibility and Age of Players.

Score Bench Duty

Your team will be rostered to complete scorebench duty. Please provide four competent score bench personnel for your duties. Every effort will be made to assist teams when able. ABS, as hosts, will cover the opening and closing games each day plus the quarter-finals, semi-finals and finals.

In addition to this, the tournament will be using the GLORY LEAGUE Scoring app to score games. If your team is not familiar with the app please have a look at the following resources.

Remember to upskill team management and parents on the latest scorebench rules. We suggest a minimum of 4 bench personnel when covering a scorebench duty. Adult supervision of players on a scorebench is required.

- Scorebench Guide can be found [HERE](#)
- Glory League Guide can be found [HERE](#)

Special Rules Applying to U16;

As per BBNZ Regulations Book 3 Competition Regulation Page 9; 2.14ciii: **the use of zone defences is banned.**

The Zone defence rule can be found on the BBNZ Website [HERE](#)

Procedure for Zone Defense

At BBNZ Tournaments, the process to ensure compliance with this policy is:

1. If a coach feels that their opponent is playing a zone defense, they approach the tournament office to get one of the people designated as a 'Zone Buster' to come to the court
2. The 'Zone Buster' will watch the play and determine if a zone is in fact being played.
3. If the 'Zone Buster' believes a zone is being played, they will instruct the referees to issue a warning to the coach of the team playing a zone in the first instance.
4. Further violations will result in the 'Zone Buster' instructing the referees to call a technical foul against the coach.

Uniforms

- Each team must bring two alternate uniforms to the tournament. Teams shall use numbers 0 and 00 and from 1 to 99.
- In the event of a uniform clash Team A is to wear their light coloured uniforms and Team B is to wear their dark coloured uniforms, unless both teams come to a mutual agreement.

Important Details

- Forfeit of game - \$500 fine.
- Mouthguards are compulsory for all players, The No Mouthguard, No Play Policy is to be firmly enforced.
- BBNZ Mouthguard Policy can be found [HERE](#)
- Team Benches – Sitting at the scorebench; Team A **MUST** sit to the left and Team B **MUST** sit to the right. Please ensure all games start correctly with this procedure. Only the rostered players and team management are allowed to sit on the team bench. All supporters must sit in the stands.
- Scorebench - If there is a problem with the scorebench, only the coach may approach on a dead ball and then ask the referee to check the enquiry. Other management may approach the bench during the quarter times and at half time break. They **MUST NOT** approach the bench any other time to check the score sheet or query the scorebench.

Behaviour at National Championships

We have on occasion seen a range of poor behaviour demonstrated by spectators, coaches and players over the past two years. Disappointingly this has occurred largely at the lower age level tournaments. Consequently, in 2017 BBNZ introduced stricter enforcement of regulations.

Please ensure that all team management, players and attending spectators are advised and provided the BBNZ Code of Conduct and Harassment. Refer to [BBNZ Regulations Book 6 Judicial Regulation](#) Page 19-21, as well as the Appendix at the end of this letter.

Online Draw and Results

The results can be viewed on the BBNZ Website [here](#).

FIBA Livestats

1-4 Semi-Finals and Grand Finals will have live stats available. The link for this will be available on the BBNZ Website closer to the start of the tournament.

Livestream

Selected games on day 3 and 4 will be livestreamed, please refer to the draw. Please note that the livestream will be password protected with only parents and selected supports able to watch these games. A password will be distributed prior to the tournament. The livestream will be available to view at the BBNZ web link <http://nz.basketball/tv>.

NO livestreaming is allowed by teams or parents on any of the days of this tournament.

Volunteers

ABS volunteers will be identified with purple BBNZ Volunteer T-Shirts.

Venue

Pulman Arena, 90 Walters Road, Takanini, Auckland

Door Charge

No charge

Parking & Traffic

- Free parking is available at Pulman Arena
- Please allow plenty of time to get to your games

Canteen

Arena Café is situated in the foyer area. Opening hours will be 10am – 8pm daily.

Changing Rooms, Toilets & Showers

Are located on the left of the walkway prior to entering the court area. Open for all teams to use.

Video Taping

Please stay clear of spectator seating, access ways and off courts when setting up for any videotaping.

Evacuation

Assembly points are noted on signage by the emergency exit points. Evacuation points will vary depending on where you are in the arena.

Food and Drink

- No food or hot drinks are allowed on the courts, only water and sports drinks are permitted.

First Aid

- ABS staff is the first point of contact for first aid. The Pulman Arena staff are first aid certified and may be used if required.
- Injury reporting – ABS will document all injuries and teams to complete the appropriate injury report form. Injury reports will be available at the venue control desk
- A blood kit is available at each scorebench.
- A basic first aid kit is available from the venue control desk
- Ice can be found at the venue control desk

Physio - PhysioAction

Physio will be based on the ground floor next to the Referee's Room in the room labelled First Aid. There will be 2 Physio onsite daily and available for all four days of the tournament 10am – 6pm. Bring your own strapping, or gold coin donation.

Important Contacts

- **Supermarket** - Pak n Save 331 Great South Road Takanini
- **Medical Centre** - Takanini Care A&M Clinic 106 Great South Road Takanini 09 2997670
- **Medical Centre** - Counties Care A and M Clinic 79-85 Great South Road 09 2999380
- **Dentist** - Takanini Care A&M Clinic 106 Great South Road Takanini 09 2962636
- **Hospital** - Middlemore 100 Hospital Rd Papatoetoe
- **Taxis United** - 09 2951000

Good luck at the tournament from BBNZ Tournaments and Auckland Basketball Services

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Let them play



We encourage you to support your team with gusto – but keep it positive. Remember, our sport is largely manned by volunteers and that officials are human. We all make mistakes, but let's model behaviours suitable for kids' sport. And nobody wants to sit next to an 'ugly' supporter! The messaging will be supported by a process for dealing with inappropriate behaviour. We would rather focus on the desired behaviours, with the process as a back-up when other options have been exhausted.

Associations are to take ownership of your spectators and must educate them on appropriate sideline behaviour and the process that will be adopted. Remember that your spectators are also representing you when attending a basketball event.

Sideline Behaviour and what you can do?

What constitutes poor sideline behaviour?

- Prolonged, directive, disruptive and/or negative behaviour, eg:
- inappropriate comments
- swearing
- racial slants
- athlete confrontation
- overly loud and aggressive attitude
- verbal or physical attacks towards players, officials or management

What can you do? Consider the following actions:

- Floor controller (FC) or nominated person (NP) observes behaviour either after complaint is made or in passing.
- If the behaviour is deemed inappropriate, the FC or NP has a quiet word with the offender – either during or post-match.
- If the behaviour continues or the offender responds poorly after the quiet word, the FC or NP gives offender a final chance to calm down.
- If the behaviour persists, the offender is asked by the FC or NP to leave the premises for the day.
- If the offender returns within the period of exclusion or continues bad behaviour after the being asked to leave the premises, they are to be removed by security or police and trespassed.

- The team management of the offender will be notified of the incident and will be asked to speak with the offender. This could happen at any point through this process.
- An incident report must be lodged by the FC or NP. The incident report must be sent to the offenders Association/School and BBNZ for future reference. Where a written trespass notice is given, an incident report is not required.

At Basketball New Zealand, there is also a formal process under our Regulations to deal with formal complaints.

Appendix A – BBNZ Code of Conduct

D. Parents' and Spectators'

1. Parents and Spectators shall:

- remember that although the basketball at the event may, or may not, be at an elite level, it is still sport and often junior sport, to be enjoyed by all participants;
- respect all participating players and officials as you would respect your own children and friends, and applaud good performance by all participants;
- demonstrate appropriate social behaviour by not using foul or abusive language or actions, and by not harassing players, coaches, officials or other spectators as described above;
- remember that destructive criticism has no place in basketball and especially in junior basketball. It is very hurtful to the recipient and, ultimately, reflects very poorly on the game.
- respect all participating players and officials as you would respect your own children and friends, and applaud good performance by all participants;
- Reference: BBNZ Internal Regulation Book 6 Appendices. (2018) Appendix A – BBNZ Code of Conduct.