

INTERNATIONAL MAXIBASKETBALL TOURNAMENT
L I L A C A FOUNDATION, INC.
“BETTER, TOGETHER”

RULES

DIVISIONS: Men’s & Women’s

This tournament will be played by age groups, your entry number is assigned according to order of registration, (on a first-come, first-served basis). In case of not meeting the minimum number of teams required per category (4), the possibility of playing in a younger age division is available.

**Send payment confirmation via e-mail, abueloscostazul@hotmail.com before the deadline, it will guarantee participation in this event.

**There will be 6 age groups.

35+, 40+, 45+, 50+, 55+ and 60+

There will be a 50% registration fee refund if a team decides to withdraw from the tournament before the end of the deadline, no refunds will be granted afterwards. (INCLUDING FORCE MAJEURE ISSUES**).

CHAPTER I

GENERAL RULES

Article 1 –

All regulations within this document, will be enforced for the length of this international tournament, organized by **LILACA FOUNDATION, INC.** Any tournament endorsed by our organization will have its own set of rules, all participants will be notified of their specificity accordingly, before the beginning of said events.

TOURNAMENT DATE

Article 2 -

The tournament will be held on the announced dates, it is required that all teams have players, escorts and representatives’ credentials approved before the inauguration.

CHAPTER II

ABOUT THE TEAMS

Article 3 -

Teams can register as clubs, regions or countries and have the freedom to choose any name, if by any chance (2) or more teams share the same name and belong to the same age group; they will use letters from the alphabet in order to differentiate among them: **A, B, C, etc.**

Delegations must arrive at least one (1) day before the beginning of the tournament.

CATEGORIES

Article 4 -

There will be six age **groups** for both men and women

35+, 40+, 45+, 50+, 55+ and 60+

NOTE:

*All players must meet the required age for the group they wish to participate in or celebrate their birthday during the year the event is held.

*Players can participate in a (1) lower age group, but never in a higher age group.

*An individual member from a given team can be registered to play on **two** (2) different age groups only if he or she belongs to the same delegation (Group team).

- A team is allowed to bring two (2) younger players no more than **two years** (2) younger than the required age for a group. This applies for every age group except for 35+; this will have to be approved before the **Orientation Meeting** by the registration committee. **(There will be no exceptions)**. In case one team presents two such players, they cannot be present on the court at the same time, except in case of **F O R C E M A J E U R E**.

CHAPTER III GAME RULES

Article 5 -

How to start the game.

To verify the players age and identity, the team's representative must present photocopies of original ID's (passports for all foreign Non-Nationals) jointly with the tournament's credentials, given to all registered participants beforehand. Individual players will not be allowed to play if said documents are not presented to game officials before the beginning of every game (scorekeepers table).

First Quarter

Any starting five will play the first quarter.

Second Quarter

A different group of five players will continue during this period.

NOTE:

****There will be no substitutions during these two initial periods unless FORCE MAJEURE. A player leaving the game will be replaced by one who has not played earlier, an injured player may return to the game during the same or any of the remaining periods but he or she must play a full quarter (10 minutes).**

****In case the team carries fewer than 10 players, (7,8 or 9), the opposing team's captain has the option of choosing the remaining players from the opposing team's bench although they can be substituted at any moment; remember, all players must play at least a full period (10 minutes).**

Third Quarter

In case a team has 11 or 12 players, the ones who did not start any previous period will have to play it thoroughly; the other players selected from the roster may be replaced without prejudice.

Fourth Quarter

The team has the option to play and replace players from its full roster.

Every participant will play at least 10 minutes continuously per game. (See Chapter III).

FORCE MAJEURE:

Understand as **Force Majeure** all injuries preventing any player to continue on the court by his or her own means, as well as:

- Accumulated 5 fouls or two technical fouls.
- Getting ejected from the game due to unsportsmanlike conduct.
- Any open wound and presence of blood on the player.

NOTE: Each team may register **(12) players** maximum and **(8)** minimum, this will be called the **Official Team Roster**. If any team shows up with less than the minimum allowed, it will be sanctioned as follows:

***Only the players on the official roster and physically present at the beginning of the second period, will be allowed to play, players arriving late will not be allowed in.**

***When a team has fewer than 10 players, the opposing team will select the required**

number of players to complete **5** for the second period from the ones who played the first period.

*Any team with fewer than **7** players (**6**) will not be penalized.

*The minimum number of players allowed during a game is **4 (four)** if this number diminishes due to any circumstance (**3**), the team will forfeit the game.

*A member from the same **team name (Delegation)** may be registered to play in **two divisions** (no more) if the schedule allows, players must be present at the game's starting time to qualify.

Any additional situation regarding the number of players, not contemplated in this guide, will be resolved by arbitration and referred to the disciplinary committee.

CHAPTER IV PARTICIPANTS

Article 6 -

Be aware: participants include all players, representatives, managers, coaches, referees, scorekeepers, registered escorts (1) family members, news reporters, event officials, venue staff, and members of the organizing committee.

-There will be no impediments to register **players from different nationalities.**

-All members of a delegation are allowed to play as well as perform duties previously assigned them by their group.

NOTE: To be allowed to participate in the playoffs, individual players must have played at least **2 games** during the qualifiers, except in case of **force majeure** or in case of sanctions; nevertheless, a given player must show proof of presence in the tournament for at least 2 games during the qualifying stage.

Delegations are liable for the following expenses:

- Food and lodging.
- Transportation during the event.
- Registration fee.

SPECTATORS

Article 7 –

Any individual who commits acts of vandalism, disrespects, offends or assaults any game official or other participant, while assisting a game during the tournament, will be removed from the stands and escorted out of the facility by the referees and/or the officials in charge assigned by the

disciplinary committee. Organizers have been instructed to enforce this regulation and present a written report of any irregular acts observed.

This regulation equally applies to the players on the court during a game, misbehavior will lead to temporary sanctions for players and teams and/or definitive suspension from the tournament by the **disciplinary committee**.

PLAYER REQUIREMENTS

Article 8 –

The teams' representatives must pick up the credentials (players & coaching staff) on the same day of the orientation meeting prior to all games.

Players will be authorized to play once they:

- Complete and sign the registration, legal, health and injury waiver forms.
- Prove their age and identity with original documents.
- Substantiate their age or that they turn that age during the current calendar year.
- Have paid the team's registration fee

REPRESENTATIVES

Article 9 –

*Representatives are the team's spokespersons before the **organizing committee**.

Their duties:

- *Submit the Team's official roster before the deadline posted by the organization.
- *Submit all information regarding the player's ages.
- *The official team representative s the only person allowed to make changes and new additions in the official team's roster.
- *Abide and enforce the rules specified in the tournament guidelines.

CHAPTER V

OFFICIAL ROSTER

Article 10 –

- The Team's Roster must be sent a month before the Orientation Meeting via e-mail abueloscostazul@hotmail.com & ckmorlas@hotmail.com or by **WhatsApp** to the numbers **+19178485080 Carlos Kiko Morlas**.
- Player's roster must be sent in the registration form provided by the organization,

NUMBER OF PLAYERS

Article 11 –

Each team's official roster must have a minimum of **8** and a maximum of **12** players, all of which must be present on the court at the beginning of the game. A Coach and an Assistant Coach are allowed be on the bench together with a delegate who may also be one of the players.

CHANGES AND MODIFICATIONS

Article 12 –

Changes and new incorporations of players, coaches and / or assistants, may be carried out up until the **Orientation Meeting**, held before the tournament's inauguration, they must be included on the final official roster and will not be amended afterwards.

RESPONSIBILITY

Article 13 –

A team's representative must present the tournament's credentials, a copy of the original IDs from all the players and the official roster in a form provided by the organization to the scorekeepers' table before the start of each game.

UNIFORMS

Article 14 –

*All Uniforms must have names, numbers and badges that represent clubs, regions, countries or any institution. By no means will any discriminatory or derogatory words or slogans offending the morality of the participants, political or otherwise, be allowed.

*It is compulsory for all teams to carry **two (2) sets of uniforms** with numbers on the front and back (**dark and light colors**) for all games.

Chapter VI

ORIENTATION MEETING

Article 15 -

An orientation meeting will be held with all team representatives and it is mandatory to attend (in case someone is unable to attend, he or she will designate a surrogate). Outcomes derived from this meeting will reflect a general consensus.

This meeting will discuss:

- Court locations, team schedules, tournament rules, scorekeepers, referees,

general tourist information, closing ceremony and farewell celebration.

- Design and plan strategies for unforeseen circumstances relating to the tournament.
- At one point during the meeting we'll take a few minutes to plan future events.
- Miscellaneous.
- Once the meeting is adjourned, all representatives and surrogates will sign a document of approval to make it official.

Chapter VII

ABOUT THE GAMES

Article 16 -

- * Games already played cannot be repeated, in case of discrepancies the teams involved will have to abide by the resolutions and sanctions the disciplinary committee considers proper.
- *All scheduled games must be played at the specific times and venues designated at the **orientation meeting**.

ABOUT THE TEAMS

Article 17-

Teams must be ready to play 15 minutes before scheduled game time, officials will wait for 15 minutes after the scheduled starting time, if a team doesn't arrive it will forfeit the game.

NOTE: Take in consideration traffic, your presence in an unfamiliar city and unforeseen inconveniences might delay your transfer from your living quarters to the different venues.

We suggest to have the teams present and dressed at least one (1) hour before scheduled game time.

SCORING SYSTEM

Article 18 -

- Winners **2 points**
- Losers **1 point**
- No score **0 points** if a team doesn't show in time for a match due to tardiness or if they mistakenly go to a different location or if the representative pulls out the team, whatever the reason might be, (any infraction contemplated in chapter III Article 5 (FIBA Rules) will be considered cause for sanctions **The disciplinary committee** will arbitrate any controversy.

TIEBREAKERS

Article 19 –

In the event of a tie between two, three or more teams during the qualifiers the organization will commit to the following rule:

- Between two teams, the winner of the match between both advances.
- Between three teams or more, we'll be bound by:

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A/ Score (average points in favor minus points against) between teams involved in the tie, results from other games will not be taken into consideration.

B/ If the tie persists **the most points scored** between the teams involved will determine the winner and their positions, results from other games will not be taken in consideration.

C/ If the tie persists **the least points received** between the teams involved in the tie will determine the winner and their positions, results from other games will not be taken in consideration.

D/ If the tie persists, by the toss of a coin.

NOTE: In case of applying Chapter 3, Article 5 (FIBA rules), the score will be as specified in said paragraph.

GAME SUSPENSION

Article 20 -

In the case games are suspended, whatever the cause might be, before game time or during its course, they will not be rescheduled, the **disciplinary committee** will decide the outcome and sanctions deriving from this issue, the only exception is an unforeseen circumstance during the development of the tournament, only then will the game be rescheduled at another facility, provided it does not interfere with games scheduled beforehand.

CHAPTER VIII

ABOUT THE TOURNAMENT

Article 21 -

*Once the tournament is inaugurated, and the schedule is approved by the representatives, **no** dates, courts and game changes will be allowed whatsoever, (except for those circumstances considered in the preceding paragraphs **article 20**).

ABOUT THE TOURNAMENT RULES

Article 22 -

All game rules not modified within this rules guide, will follow regulations and norms approved by **FIBA**.

CHAPTER IX

ABOUT THE DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE.

Article 23 -

The disciplinary committee will be structured with **3 members** appointed by the Board of Directors of LILACA.

Any administrative and sports situation arising and not contemplated within this rule guide will be resolved by the **disciplinary committee & the Board of Directors**, the tournament's maximum authority.

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