

Official Basketball Rules effective September 1st 2014 for all Basketball Wales Competitions

Article 2. No-charge semi-circle areas

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Purpose: To provide the offensive player with more protection while is in the air on a shot for the goal.

The no-charge semi-circle lines are part of the no-charge semi-circle areas.

Article 4.3. Uniforms

4.3.1 The uniform of the team members shall consist of:

Shorts of the same dominant colour front and back, but not necessarily of the same colour as the shirts. The shorts must end above the knee.

4.3.2 Each team member shall wear a shirt numbered on the front and back with plain numbers, of a solid colour contrasting with the colour of the shirt. The numbers shall be clearly visible and: Teams shall use numbers 0 and 00 and from 1 to 99.

Article 18. Time-Out

Purpose: To avoid the excessive number of time-outs at the end of the game. **18.2.5** Each team may be granted:

- 2 time-outs during the first half,
- 3 time-outs during the second half with a maximum of 2 of these time-outs in the last 2 minutes of the second half,
- 1 time-out during each extra period.

Article 29. Twenty-four Seconds

Purpose: To speed up the game and allow more/attach shots during the game

29.2.2 After the ball has touched the ring on an unsuccessful shot for a field goal, a last or only free throw, or on a pass, the shot clock shall be reset to 14 seconds, if the team which regains control of the ball is the same team that was in control of the ball before the ball touched the ring.

Basketball Wales implementation of the 14 second reset rule

This rule will be introduced in all competitions under the jurisdiction of Basketball Wales. Due to the 24 second shot clock equipment not resetting to 14 seconds or in the event that no shot clocks are available the implementation of this rule should be managed in following way:

During an offensive rebound the shot clock (where present) is reset to 24 seconds and counted down to 10 seconds. On the 10 second count the table officials will sound the horn and the referees will decide whether a violation has occurred or not. Play doesn't necessarily stop on the sound of the horn, play should only stop in this instance on the referees whistle.

For all games where no 24 second shot clock is present, the referee (Normally the Trail Referee) will manage the new shot clock rule and clearly verbally indicate when there is 10 seconds remaining on the 24 second shot clock period



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Article 36. Technical Foul

36.3.3 A player shall be disqualified for the remainder of the game when he is charged with 2 technical fouls.

36.4 Penalty

36.4.2 The opponents shall be awarded 1 free throw, followed by:

- A throw-in at the centre line extended, opposite the scorer's table.
- \square A jump ball in the centre circle to start the first period.

Full FIBA Rules 2014 can be downloaded here

http://www.fiba.com/asp_scripts/downMana.asp?fileID=4530

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http://www.fiba.com/asp_scripts/downMana.asp?fileID=4595

For any other information on the new rules please email officiating@basketballwales.com

Basketball Wales officiating committee will be holding Preseason referee clinics in conjunction with SWBA (Sunday 14th September Rhondda Fach Sports Centre 1-3pm) and NWBA (Date TBC) it is strongly recommended that your club referees attend one of these sessions as we will go through the new rule changes and interpretations in full detail. This information can then be relayed back to the clubs, Players and coaches. These sessions are FREE for all BW referees to attend.

To book on the preseason clinics email officiating@basketballwales.com