

## **BASKETBALL REGULATIONS**

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### **1. Organization**

- a. The Basketball Committee of the 18<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah will be responsible for the Basketball competitions of the 18<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah.
- b. The Basketball competitions will be conducted according to the International Basketball Rules and Regulations (F.I.B.A.), the English text will be binding.
- c. Participation in the competition is open to any athlete who is in possession of a Participant Card, issued by the Organizing Committee of the 18th Maccabiah and has registered to the Basketball competitions.
- d. Each country may enter one team for the Men's Basketball competitions, one team for the Women's Basketball competitions, one team for the Junior (1991-1994) girls' competitions, one team for the Youth (1991-1992) boys' competitions, one team for the Junior (1993-1994) boys' competitions and one team for the Masters +40 competitions.
- e. Each Masters team shall be permitted to have a maximum of **three** (3) players between the ages of 35 – 39 years **who shall be appropriately flagged**. Each team shall be limited to playing a maximum of **two** (2) players between the ages of 35 – 39 years on the basketball court at the same time (not three). All other players on each team must be at least 40 years or older. Ages are determined by the calendar year in which the athlete was born.
- f. Each team may consist of up to 12 players, approved by the Basketball Committee.

### **2. Venues and times**

- a. The Basketball Committee of the 18<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah will determine the venues and times of the Basketball competitions and teams will be notified accordingly.
- b. The Basketball Committee is authorized to change the venues and times of the competitions. These decisions will be final.

### **3. Game ball**

The games will be played with F.I.B.A approved official balls.

### **4. System of competition**

SYSTEM A - with the participation of up to 7 teams;

- a. The competitions will be played on a league basis of a single round robin.
- b. The winner of each game will be awarded two points, the loser one point. For a technical loss no points will be awarded.
- c. In the event of two teams obtaining the same number of points, the team winning the game between them will take the better place.
- d. In the event of more than two teams having the same number of points, classification will be made according to the number of league points gained in the games played between them, i.e., a team which gains the higher number of points in the above mentioned games will take the higher place, and so on.
- e. In the event that after the above mentioned, equality still exists between teams; classification will be made according to the score differences of the above teams (credit amount of points scored less debit amount of points scored).
- f. In the event that equality still persists, classification will be made according to the proportion scores of the above teams. (Credit amount of points scored divided by debit amount of points scored.)
- g. In the event that equality still persists, classification will be decided by a draw.

- h. The first two teams in the league will compete for the title: "18<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah Champion".
- i. The teams in places 3 and 4 in the league will compete for the third place.
- j. The rest of the teams will be placed according to their league order.

SYSTEM B - if the number of teams will be 8-12;

Women: The teams will be divided into 2 groups by draw

Men:

- a. The teams will be divided into 2 groups.
- b. **The first team in the 17<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah will head group A.**
- c. **The second team in the 17<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah will head Group B.**
- d. The teams placed third and fourth in the 17<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah will be drawn for second place in the groups. All the other teams will be placed in the groups by a draw.
- e. In the event that after the draw, one or more teams will not appear and a situation arises whereby a group is short of two teams, the team drawn last will be moved from one group to another.
- f. Teams will be classified in their groups according to their achievements, as described in System A.
- g. The semi-final games will be played on the "Cross" system, i.e., the team placed first in **Group A** will play against the team placed second in **Group B** and the team placed second in **Group A** will play against the team placed first in **Group B**.
- h. The two winning teams in the semi-finals will play in the final game for 1st and 2nd places, and the two losing teams in the semi-finals will play for 3rd and 4th places.
- i. When there are 8 or more teams the teams placed 3rd and 4th in each group will play on the same system for places 5-8.

REMARK: If one of the 4 top teams from the 17<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah does not compete at the 18<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah games, one of the teams from the 5<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> positions from the 17<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah will have to move up into the 4 seeds. When such information is not available, one of the seeded teams of the 17<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah will take its place in order of their finish.

SYSTEM C - if the number of teams will be 13-15.

- a. The teams will be divided into 3 groups.
- b. Group A will be headed by the first in the 17<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah, and will include also the team placed 6<sup>th</sup> in the 17<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah.
- c. Group B will be headed by the second in the 17<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah, and will include also the team placed 5<sup>th</sup> in the 17<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah.
- d. Group C will be headed by the third in the 17<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah, and will include also the team placed 4<sup>th</sup> in the 17<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah.
- e. The rest of the teams will be seeded in the groups by a draw.

In case of 13 teams, Group A will consist in 5 teams, Group B 4 teams and Group C 4 teams.

In case of 14 teams, Group A and B will consist in 5 teams and Group C 4 teams.

In case of 15 teams, Groups A, B and C will consist in 5 teams.

REMARK: if any of the 6 mentioned will not participate in the 18<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah, one from the other teams will take their place, chosen by a draw.

- f. The first round will be a one-round league system and the teams will be placed accordingly in each group as described in SYSTEM A.
- g. The Quarter-finals will include 8 teams as follows:
  - 1- The first two teams of each group after the round robin.
  - 2- Two out of the three placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in each group according their record based upon

### System A.

In case of 13 teams, the game between the team placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in Group A and the team placed 5<sup>th</sup> in that Group in the league will not count for the purpose of determining the best 3<sup>rd</sup> placed team only.

In case of 14 teams, the game between the team placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in Groups A and B, and the teams placed 5<sup>th</sup> in those Groups in the league will not count for the purpose of determining the best 3<sup>rd</sup> placed team only.

- h. Quarters Finals Games will be played in a Knock-Out System and teams will be seeded by a draw.
- i. In the Semi Finals teams will play as follow:  
 Winner Quarter Final 1 – Winner Quarter Final 3  
 Winner Quarter Final 2 – Winner Quarter Final 4
- j. Games for places 1 to 4 will be held as follows:  
 Loser Semi-final 1 - Loser Semi-final 2 for places 3-4.  
 Winner Semi-final 1 - Winner Semi-final 2 in the Final game for places 1-2.
- h. Parallel to the final games, losers in the quarterfinals will play for places 5-8, as described in par. "h" and "i".

SYSTEM D - if the number of teams is 16 or more.

- a. Teams will be divided into 4 groups with the 8 leading teams from the 17<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah heading the Groups as follows:  
 Group A: 1<sup>st</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> from the 17<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah.  
 Group B: 2<sup>nd</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> from the 17<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah.  
 Group C: 3<sup>rd</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> from the 17<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah.  
 Group D: 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> from the 17<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah.  
 The rest of the teams will be seeded into the groups by a draw.

REMARK: If any of the 8 mentioned in the will not participate in the 18<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah; their place will be taken by one of the other teams, chosen by a draw.

- b. The Quarter-finals will include 8 teams (the two first placed in the league) and will play in a Knock out System as follows:  
 1<sup>st</sup> Group A – 2<sup>nd</sup>. Group C  
 1<sup>st</sup> Group B – 2<sup>nd</sup> Group D  
 1<sup>st</sup> Group C – 2<sup>nd</sup> Group A  
 1<sup>st</sup> Group D – 2<sup>nd</sup> Group B
- c. Semi-final games will be held in the "cross" system as follows:  
 1- Winner 1 vs Winner 2.  
 2- Winner 3 vs Winner 4
- e. Games for places 1 to 4 will be held as follows:  
 Loser Semi-final 1 - Loser Semi-final 2 for places 3-4.  
 Winner Semi-final 1 - Winner Semi-final 2 in the Final game for places 1-2.
- f. Parallel to the final games, the losers' teams in the Quarter Finals will play in the same system for places 5-8.  
 Looser 1 vs Looser 2  
 Looser 3 vs Looser 4

REMARK: In the case of a draw in the final stages of all Systems, games will be defined according to F.I.B.A. Rules.

**5. Draw**

The draw of the teams in the groups will be a public draw.

**6. Referees**

The Basketball Committee will select a Referees' Committee, which in turn will appoint the referees of the competition.

**7. General**

- a. These regulations are but one part of the complete 18<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah Regulations, and must be read along with the instructions found in "Basic Regulations and Disciplinary Procedures".
- b. In the event of a discrepancy between the regulations written here and those appearing in the "Basic Regulations", the regulations written here will apply and be binding.