

COMPETITION INFORMATION – SUMMER 2017/18

Domestic Basketball

Regular Fees & Charges

Registration is payable when registering a team each season. Registrations will be available online at <https://sportfix.net/CardiniaLife>
Offline registration payments can be made upon the request to Aligned Leisure management.

The **Weekly Game Fee** is payable at the start of each scheduled game.

	Junior	Senior
Registration	\$115.00	\$145.00
Weekly Game Fee	\$64.00	\$72.00

Team Registration

When registering a team, a **Team Contact** must be nominated for all Junior teams, and a player must be selected as **Team Captain** for all Senior Teams. The team captain/contact will be the *main* contact for all communication between teams and Aligned Leisure management. It is the responsibility of the team captain/contact to ensure all competition information, rules and regulations, and fixture changes have been communicated to the rest of the team. It is a requirement that all coaches and team managers over the age of 18, hold a current Working with Children Check (WVC).

Timely registrations will close **Sunday September 24**, which will ensure your team is registered to play from Round 1. **Final registrations** will close **Tuesday October 31**. Any registrations after this time will be at the discretion of the Aligned Leisure management.

Player Registration & Qualifications

Before playing the first game, all players details must be submitted via the registration process. To be qualified to play finals, all players must be registered and have played a minimum of seven (7) games throughout the regular season. A player is deemed to have played a game if he/she has scored and/or fouled or alternatively the player marked as being present (not absent) on the scoresheet.

To register a player to appear on the score sheet every week, the following details **MUST** be written in full on the back of the sheet: Full Name, Date of Birth, Postal Address, Postcode, Mobile Number, Email Address. If any details are missing, it will be deemed incomplete and no qualification or registration will be recorded for the new player.

Please refer to PDBA by-laws for further conditions of players across all domestic competitions.

Age Eligibility

All junior players must be under the age of the age group they are playing in, as at 31st December, in the year that the playing season commences. For example, a player cannot register for an Under 16 competition, if they turn 16 years of age before the 31st of December.

Insurance

As part of your registration fee, you are covered by Basketball Victoria insurance for the entire season. Any player injured during a game should seek First Aid from the Sports Captain, or another Aligned Leisure staff member, and complete the relevant documentation. Failure to do so, will result in Aligned Leisure management unable to sign off on any insurance claims to be sent to Basketball Victoria.

Further information on what is covered, how to make a claim and where to download claim documents can be found here:
<http://www.vinsurancegroup.com/basketball>

Competition Days

Monday	Wednesday	Thursday	Saturday	Sunday
Under 16 Boys, Under 18, Under 20, Senior Women's	Senior Men's	Senior Men's, Senior Women's	Under 8, Under 10, Under 12, Under 14, Under 16 Girls	Senior Mixed

Grading

The grading period will last for four (4) weeks at the start of the season. It is at the discretion of the PDBA and Aligned Leisure management to grade teams in a manner that they feel is appropriate. Scores and points accumulated during grading will carry over to the official season.

Considerations regarding grading will be made via a grading committee, who will meet throughout the grading period and provide input into the grading process. Grading requests from teams after the team registration will be accepted during allocated special request dates.

If required, an additional round of grading will be undertaken during Round 8 of each respective competition.

Mixed Basketball

A team must be represented by at least two (2) female and two (2) male players on the court; the fifth player can be either female or male. The game will be called a forfeit if either team is unable to comply and have at least one (1) of each sex on the court. The offending team loses the game regardless of points scored.

Males are at no stage allowed in the key, including on the line.

Scoring (Bench Officials)

All teams must provide one competent bench official for each game of at least 14 years of age. Referees may ask a player to sit off if no bench official is provided; points penalties may be applied in failure to supply a scorer for your team. If not sure how to complete a score sheet, please see the Aligned Leisure Sports Captain.

Due to changes to Working with Children legislation, bench officials over the age of 18, officiating a junior competition must be a holder of a valid Working with Children's Check. Under Basketball Victoria's guidance, bench officials who are parents scoring their child's game are currently exempt from the Act (Please note this may change in the future). All parents are encouraged to obtain a Working with Children's Check to ensure no issues arise with further amendments to legislation and sport organization guidelines.

Premiership Points

Win	Loss	Draw	Forfeit Against	Forfeit For / Bye
3 points	1 point	2 points to each team	0 points	3 points

Forfeits & Withdrawals

In the event where a team is unable to play a single scheduled game, it will be deemed a forfeit and a fee will apply that is payable within 14 days of the scheduled game. Where possible, the opposing team captain/contact will be contacted to be notified of the forfeit against their team. The opposing team will then be given a win with a score of 20-0 and qualification for all registered players.

In the event where a team must withdraw from the competition, they will be required to pay a competition withdrawal fee. To officially withdraw from their respective competition, the team captain/contact must place the request in writing and send to sports.cardinia@alignedleisure.com.au. The withdrawal fee must immediately be paid either in person or over the phone.

Please check closer to the season for confirmed fees for forfeits and withdrawals.

First Aid & Injuries

Where First Aid is required, all Aligned Leisure staff are trained and available to assist, however the first point of contact should be the Sports Captain on duty. All players that receive First Aid will be required to complete an injury report form.

Conditions of Entry

In the opinion of Aligned Leisure management, if a player, coach, official, spectator or team conducts themselves in a manner contrary to the best interests of Basketball or the Conditions of Entry, each individual involved will be asked to leave the complex. Depending on the extent of the incident, suspension or withdrawal from the competition may apply.

Aligned Leisure management reserves the right to refuse entry to any person under the influence of alcohol or drugs. Smoking is not permitted in or around the centre at any time.

Uniforms

All players in a team must wear the same colour singlets and shorts, with visible numbers on both the front and back of the singlet. Playing in a singlet with a taped, handwritten, or without a number is not permitted.

For further information regarding uniforms, please refer to the FIBA Official Basketball Rulebook, along with the additions and/or exceptions within the PDBA by-laws.

Suspended Players

Players under suspension by Basketball Victoria or Aligned Leisure are not permitted to play or referee for the duration of the suspension. Teams who play suspended players will lose all points for the games concerned, and maybe removed from the competition.

Changes to Fixtures

Please note changes to fixtures due to regrading, re-fixturing, teams withdrawing or other unforeseen circumstances may occur without notice throughout the season (outside of grading period) when more than 7 days from the respective game. In these instances, a competition Bye may be created or removed during this time.

Whereas changes to fixtures occurring within 7 days of the respective game, an Aligned Leisure Sports Captain will contact all affected teams via either telephone, email or both.

Score & Ladder Enquiries

Any queries regarding incorrect scores or ladder positions, must be lodged in writing via email to sports.cardinia@alignedleisure.com.au From here, the relevant Sport Captain will investigate the enquiry and make any changes where necessary. Please be aware it may take up to seven days for these issues to be completed by the relevant staff member for any applicable competition.

Special Requests

All Special Requests regarding fixturing or grading must be placed in writing and lodged via email to sports.cardinia@alignedleisure.com.au and state the reason, and specific competition it involves. Any requests for a Bye round on a date will only be considered in a competition with odd team numbers.

Fixturing requests will be specifically reviewed prior to the construction of fixtures. Fixturing requests for the grading period will need to be submitted by **Monday September 24**. Fixturing requests for the regular season must be submitted prior to the commencement of Round 4 of the respective competition.

Grading requests will be specifically reviewed during the following periods:

- 48-72 hours after Round 2 of the respective competition
- 48-72 hours after Round 4 of the respective competition

Please note, this are requests only; it is not guaranteed that all requests can be fulfilled.

Other Policies

For all other policies and conditions not included in this information pack, please refer to the policies of Basketball Victoria, the PDBA, and Aligned Leisure Conditions of Entry.

Summer 2017/18 Key Dates

Please check season calendar for all playing dates.

- Melbourne Cup Weekend: 4th November – 7th November
- Christmas Break: 22nd December – 14th January 2018
- Labour Day Weekend: 10th March 2018 – 12th March 2018
- Semi Finals Week: 17th March 2018 – 22nd March 2018
- Grand Finals Week: 24th March 2018 – 29th March 2018
- Easter Weekend: 30th March 2018 – 2nd April 2018