



Kilkenny & South-East Area Basketball Board

Constitution & Rules & Regulations

2022/2023 Season

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CONSTITUTION

1. Title

Basketball in the context of these rules and regulations for the Kilkenny & South-East Basketball Board, (hereinafter referred to as the “KSEBB”) includes all activities involved in competition, development, officiating and governance of the sport of basketball within remit of the KSEBB. The governing body for Basketball in Ireland shall be called Basketball Ireland (hereinafter referred to as the “BI”). KSEBB is recognized by BI as the official provider of Club competition in the South-East Regional Board Area.

2. Main Objectives

The main objectives of the KSEBB shall be to encourage, promote, develop, manage, and control basketball, and to provide basketball to the highest level.

3. Powers

- (a) To administer the funds of the KSEBB.
- (b) To make, maintain and publish rules and regulations for the proper running of the KSEBB. To ensure these rules are in accordance with BI regulations and in line with FIBA playing regulations.
- (c) To implement regional strategic plans associated with the KSEBB.
- (d) To do all such other things as may be necessary or conducive for the attainment of the above objectives.
- (e) The KSEBB is bound by the Code of Ethics for Children’s Sport in Ireland as set out by the Irish Sports Council and adopted by BI. The KSEBB shall appoint a Children’s Officer to ensure best practice is upheld.

4. Membership

- (a) Membership of the KSEBB, other than as defined in Section 4, shall be open to any Club registered with BI wishing to participate in the game of basketball. Any such Club shall agree to be bound by the constitution, rules, and regulations of the KSEBB.
- (b) Membership shall be by subscription through the appropriate channel as defined in Section 7.
- (c) A Board may not be constituted from the existing membership of BI Clubs in Kilkenny without the consent of the Board of BI. Where membership of the KSEBB falls below 6 Clubs the remaining Clubs may each affiliate to an adjoining County Board as may be convenient to the Clubs concerned.

- (d) No Club which is a member of the KSEBB shall play in any fixture against another Irish Club or school or third level college unless that Club or school or third level college is also a member of BI, without prior permission of the Executive Committee.
- (e) Each member Club shall forward to the General Secretary of the KSEBB by 31st August each year, the name, postal address, e mail address and telephone number of its Honorary Secretary to whom all correspondence shall be sent.
- (f) Each Club shall pay annually to the KSEBB such KSEBB fees as may be determined by the Executive at the AGM in the preceding season.
- (g) The amount of all such membership fees shall be forwarded to the Honorary Treasurer KSEBB to arrive prior to the AGM for that season.
- (h) The Executive Committee shall have the power to discipline and/or fine any Club for late payment. The Executive Committee will exclude from fixtures those Clubs who are not members by the agreed closing date.
- (i) A €100 fine will be imposed on any Club that enters a team in the League and subsequently withdraws the team. The fine will be automatic regardless of reason for the withdrawal of the team.
- (j) Any club claiming a fine from another Club because of nonattendance must make that application in writing within 7 days after the fixture.
- (k) Honorary life Membership of the KSEBB may be conferred on persons whose services to the KSEBB are such that entitle that person to that distinction. Nominations shall be submitted in writing to the Executive KSEBB for consideration. If such nominations are approved at the Executive KSEBB meeting, then the member Clubs will be notified immediately prior to the AGM.

5. Annual & Special General Meeting

The KSEBB shall hold an AGM not later than the 30th of June in every year at a time and place to be determined by the Executive KSEBB. At this Meeting the following items shall be on the agenda:

- (1) Apologies.
- (2) Confirmation of the Minutes of the previous AGM.
- (2) Matters arising.
- (4) Annual Report of the Executive Committee.

- (5) Honorary Treasurer's Report.
- (6) Roll Call. (To establish those entitled to vote)
- (7) Proposals for amendments to the rules and regulations of the KSEBB. (All motions must be with KSEBB 14 days prior to the AGM.)
- (8) Election of Officers.
- (9) Confirmation of Board Representatives on the Regional Committee and Area Boards Sub Committee.
- (10) Proposals for fixing of annual membership fees.
- (11) General Business.

Notice of proposed changes to the Constitution, rules, and regulations of the KSEBB, resolutions and nominations for positions detailed under (7), (8) and (9) above shall be forwarded to the General Secretary to arrive not later than 14 days prior to the date of the AGM.

- (a) A Special General Meeting may be convened at any time by the Executive Committee or by a request in writing to the Chairperson signed by the Honorary Secretaries of at least two thirds of affiliated Clubs.
- (b) The request shall include full written details of all business to be transacted at the proposed meeting. Upon receipt of the request, the Chairperson shall proceed to call a Special General Meeting within twenty-one (21) days of receiving the request giving at least fourteen (14) days' notice of the meeting specifying the date, time, and place.
- (c) No business shall be transacted at a Special General Meeting other than that which is specified in the notice calling for the meeting circulated beforehand.
- (d) The General Secretary shall give at least twenty-one (21) days' notice in writing of the AGM specifying the date, time and place of the Meeting and including the agenda and details of any resolution(s) being proposed.
- (e) The notice shall be sent to the Officers, Honorary Life Members, Members of the Executive Committee and Honorary Secretaries of each Club.
- (f) The Chairperson shall chair Annual and Special General Meetings. In his/her absence, the Vice-Chairperson shall chair the Meetings.
- (g) One third of registered members present and entitled to vote shall constitute a quorum

- (h) Voting shall be by show of hands, unless twenty-five (25) percent of those present and entitled to vote request a secret ballot.
- (i) Every resolution at Annual and Special General Meetings shall be decided by a simple majority of votes of those present, entitled to vote. Except as provided in (j) below, no person shall cast more than one vote.
- (j) In the case of equality of votes, the Chairperson of the meeting shall have a second or casting vote
- (k) All changes in the rules and regulations of the KSEBB and all resolutions passed at an AGM or Special General Meeting shall come into force immediately unless the Meeting shall decide otherwise
- (l) There shall be no postal or proxy votes.
- (m) Any proposal for a resolution for consideration, and voting thereupon, at any AGM shall be submitted in full, in writing, to the General Secretary. It should arrive with him/her not later than 14 days prior to the date of the AGM at which the proposal is to be considered and voted upon. The KSEBB will not accept proposals that will bring either the Constitution, rules, and regulations of the KSEBB into disrepute or conflict with BI regulations or constitution.

6. Attendance and voting entitlement at monthly, annual and special general meetings

Those entitled to attend and vote at Monthly, Annual and Special General Meetings shall be (note monthly meetings may be held both in person and online through google meets or equivalent online meeting software):

- (a) The Officers: All Officers can attend Monthly, Annual and Special General Meetings and are entitled to one (1) vote in a KSEBB meeting and one (1) vote at an AGM or Special General Meeting. Members of the Executive Board can attend the Executive meetings and are entitled to one (1) vote in Executive meetings and one (1) vote as an Officer in KSEBB meetings
- (b) AGM and Special General Meetings: A maximum of two (2) delegates from each Club can attend such meetings and are entitled to one (1) vote each. Such delegates shall be nominated by their respective Clubs and notified to the General Secretary seven days (7) prior to the AGM.
- (c) Monthly Meetings: A maximum of two (2) delegates from each Club can attend such meetings and are entitled to one (1) vote each. Such delegates shall be nominated by their respective Clubs.
- (d) If any nominated delegate(s) in (b) above cannot attend, they may be substituted, provided the name(s) of the substitute(s) are sent in writing to the General Secretary not later than 4.00 p.m. on the evening prior to the day of the scheduled meeting. E-mail is acceptable notification in this case.

- (e) All notices required to be given pursuant to these rules and regulations must be in writing and shall be deemed to have been received if either, delivered personally, sent by ordinary pre-paid post to the last known address of the intended recipient, fax or email can also be used.

7. Finance:

- (a) The financial year of the KSEBB shall end at the AGM for that year.
- (b) An Income and Expenditure Account shall be prepared by the Treasurer and a report shall be presented to the AGM.
- (c) Two signatures are required on all cheques written by the Treasurer.
- (d) The KSEBB will set all fees for the coming season at the AGM. Under no circumstances can fees, once paid, be refunded.
- (e) 3 Trustees shall be appointed at the 1st meeting of each season (1 being the Chairman) with the responsibility of overseeing the finances of the KSEBB throughout the season and auditing the Treasurers report for the AGM.
- (f) The Treasurer shall be responsible for the current accounts; deposit accounts or other accounts as may be authorised from time to time in the name of the KSEBB. Cheques may be signed by the Treasurer, Chairperson or Executive Secretary.
- (g) A €50 fine should be automatically imposed on any Club who does not send a representative to KSEBB meetings.
- (h) A late payment penalty of €100 will be imposed on any Club that has outstanding fees at the AGM for that season. This penalty will not apply to any Club that has prior to AGM submitted a written query on any aspect of their bill, otherwise this penalty will be automatic and not subject to any appeal.

8. Income & Property

The income and property of the KSEBB shall be applied solely towards the promotion of its main object(s) as set forth in this constitution. No portion of the KSEBB's income and property shall be paid or transferred directly or indirectly by way of dividend, bonus or otherwise howsoever by way of profit, to the members of KEABB, No Officer shall be appointed to any office of the KSEBB paid by salary of fees or receive any remuneration of other benefit in money or money's worth from the KSEBB. However, nothing shall prevent any payment in good faith by the KSEBB of:

- a) Reasonable and proper remuneration to any member, officer, or servant of the KSEBB (not being an officer) for any services rendered to the KSEBB.

- b) Interest at a rate of not exceeding 5% per annum on money lent by Officers or other members of the KSEBB to the KSEBB.
- c) Reasonable and proper rent for premises demised and let by any member of the KSEBB (including any Officer) to the KSEBB.
- d) Reasonable and proper out of pocket expenses incurred by any Officer in connection with their attendance to any matter affecting the KSEBB.
- e) Fees, remuneration or other benefit in money or money's worth to any Company of which an Officer maybe a member holding not more than one hundredth part of the issued capital of the company.

9. Winding-up:

If upon the winding-up of dissolution of the KSEBB there remains, after the satisfaction of all its debts and liabilities, any property whatsoever, it shall not be paid or distributed among the members of the KSEBB. Instead, such property shall be transferred to some other institution or institutions having main objects similar to the main objects of KSEBB, The institution or institutions to which the property is given or transferred shall prohibit the distribution of its or their income and property among its members to an extent at least as great as is imposed on the KSEBB under or by virtue of Clause 8 hereof. Members of the KSEBB shall select the relevant institution or institutions at or before the time of dissolution, and if and so far, effect cannot be given to such provisions, then the property of shall be given or transferred to some charitable object.

10. Additions, Alterations or Amendments:

No addition, alteration or amendment shall be made to the Main Object, Income and Property, Additions, Alterations or Amendments, Keeping of Accounts and Winding-Up clauses of this Constitution for the time being in force unless the same shall have been previously approved in writing by the Revenue Commissioners.

11. Keeping of accounts:

Annual accounts shall be kept and made available to the Revenue Commissioners on request.

12. Executive Committee

- (a) The Executive Committee shall be governed by the KSEBB. The Executive Committee shall be responsible for defining the policies of the KSEBB and shall direct the Chairperson in this regard. The Executive Committee may consist of seven (7) members, Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Honorary Treasurer, Secretary, Registrar, Fixtures Secretary and Children's Officer. The President of BI or Executive Staff of BI shall have the right to attend any Executive Committee Meeting of the KSEBB in a non-voting capacity.
- (b) The Executive Committee shall have the power to fill any vacancy arising on the KSEBB during the year.
- (c) The Executive Committee shall meet at least four (4) times each year.
- (d) The quorum for meetings of the Executive Committee shall be three (3) members present and entitled to vote.
- (e) Every resolution validly proposed and seconded at the Executive Committee meetings shall be decided by a simple majority of those present entitled to vote and voting. Except as mentioned in (f) below, no person shall cast more than one vote.
- (f) In the case of equality of votes, the Chairperson of the meeting shall have a second or casting vote.
- (g) The Executive Committee shall hold at least one (1) meeting in each year to assist in identifying priorities and policy implementation for the next period. Dates for meetings of the Executive Committee shall be agreed at the first Executive Committee Meeting after the AGM and notified to the members of the Executive Committee. The quorum for meetings of the Executive Committee shall be four (3) members present.
- (h) Sub Committees of the KSEBB may be authorised by the KSEBB from time to time. Any Sub Committee shall be governed by the rules and constitution of the KSEBB.
- (i) Basketball Ireland shall indemnify each of the KSEBB Officers, Officials and Employees, when acting in good faith, against claims by third parties for liabilities arising out of their official duties for, or on behalf of the KSEBB.
- (j) All Officers shall each be elected for one year at the AGM.
- (k) Minutes shall be taken of all proceedings of Monthly, Annual, Special General Meetings and Executive Committee Meetings and such minutes shall, upon questions put and a vote taken at the next meeting, be signed by the Chairperson of the meeting and when thus signed shall be conclusive evidence of the correctness of the entry. Adopted minutes shall be forwarded to BI and to each Club Secretary

13. Discipline.

- (a) The Executive shall be responsible for all disciplinary matters pertaining to the competitions organized by the Board. The Executive shall subject to these Regulations, have the power to discipline any Club or individual in connection with the activities of the Board.
- (b) Individuals may be fined or suspended for any matter pertaining to the KSE Competitions as decided by the Executive.
- (c) Players and Coaches are asked to note that the Executive will deal harshly with cases of dissent involving Referees.
- (d) Serious abuse of match officials on social media forums can be subject to disciplinary actions
- (e) When a player or member of coaching staff is disqualified from a game, they automatically receive 10 penalty points and the KSEBB Disciplinary Committee will review the case and determine if more penalty points will be added to this total.
- (f) The exception being when the disqualification is for two unsportsmanlike fouls or two technical fouls. In such a case the player or coach will receive 10 penalty points and the case will only be referred to the disciplinary committee if so, decided by the KSEBB Executive
- (g) Disciplinary matters will be referred to the Disciplinary Committee by the KSEBB Executive arising from referees' reports; match commissioner's reports; written complaints from Member clubs and referees.
- (h) Disciplinary action in respect of automatic penalty points will have immediate effect.
- (i) A system of cumulative penalty points will be maintained, and a one-match suspension is automatic when a person reaches 20 points, 30 points is a two-match suspension and so on for each subsequent 10 points.
- (j) The cumulative penalty points shall remain in effect for one calendar year from the date of the incident leading to the points being assigned. In the case of an incident leading to a suspension for longer than one-year, cumulative penalty points shall remain in effect for duration at the discretion of the KSEBB Disciplinary Committee
- (k) Any decision of the Disciplinary Committee shall be conveyed in writing by the General Secretary to the offending Club, Player, Coach, Umpire or Member within seven (7) days of the hearing.
- (l) The following procedure shall apply where a player or coach has been disqualified:

- The Referee will send a written report to the Secretary.
 - The Club will send a written report to the Secretary to arrive within 7 days of the game. This club report may include individual statements from the disqualified individuals.
 - The report of the Referees shall be final in all cases where a difference of opinion occurs.
 - Any disciplinary matters arising from a match will be dealt with by two or more members of Disciplinary Committee within 28 days of receiving the report
- (m) It should be emphasized that the onus is on the club and/or the individuals concerned to make a written report as outlined in article (l)
- (n) If after fully investigating the alleged breach of misconduct and if the allegation is proven the Disciplinary Committee shall have the authority to expel or suspend the offending Club, Official, Player, Coach, Umpire or Member or to deal with the matter in such manner as the Committee considers fit.
- (o) Any Club, Official, Player, Coach, Umpire or Member found guilty by the Disciplinary Committee shall have the right to appeal to an KSEBB appeals committee on any decision or punishment imposed by the Disciplinary Committee, but such appeal must be lodged in writing with the General Secretary of the KSEBB within fourteen (14) days of the notification of the decision of punishment. The appeal must be heard within fourteen (14) days of its receipt by KSEBB. No member of the KSEBB Disciplinary Committee shall be a member of the appeals Committee. (Refer to point 14 below on appeals process)
- (p) Any Officer of the Executive being present at any incident may report or elaborate on a report or any acts of misconduct.
- (q) Blitz Tournaments: A Player sent off in a Blitz tournament shall take no further part in that Blitz and his/her case will be considered by the disciplinary committee. No automatic suspension shall apply.

14. Appeals.

- (a) In the event of an appeal in any matter inclusive of discipline decisions, any Member, Club, Official, Player, Coach, Umpire or a Member of any Member Club, wishing to appeal shall do so in writing to the General Secretary of the KSEBB. The General Secretary who must receive the appeal within fourteen (14) days of the date of the notice of the original decision shall then convene an Appeals Committee.
- (b) The Appeal Committee shall consist of not less than three (3) Officers of the KSEBB who may be accompanied by advisors where necessary, but it shall not include any person who has had a prior involvement in the matter being appealed. In the event of there not being three (3) Officers eligible or available to form the Appeal Commission, the Chair of the Executive Committee shall have the power to select an appropriate person or persons to complete the Appeal Committee. The Appeal Committee shall meet within fourteen (14) days of the date of the receipt of the notice of the appeal
- (c) The letter of appeal shall state the reason or reasons for the appeal and shall be supported by an appeal fee of €50. The appellant(s) shall have the right to be accompanied at the appeal hearing by a person or persons of their choice but the names and details of such person or persons must be included in the letter of appeal. In the event of the appeal being unsuccessful the appeal fee shall be forfeited to the funds of the KSEBB unless the Appeal Committee decides otherwise
- (d) The relevant parties shall be notified of the Appeal Committee decision in writing by the General Secretary within seven (7) days of the hearing.
- (e) The appellant has the right to appeal to National Area Board committee and Basketball Ireland.

RULES & REGULATIONS.

15. Affiliation & Registration.

- (a) Clubs entering league competitions must pay club affiliation and team entry fees to the KSEBB at start of season these will be set by treasurer each season.
- (b) A fine of €10 for score sheets not returned to the Fixtures secretary within 14 days.
- (c) A Player must be affiliated to one Area Board. Exception; 1) That Players going to College be allowed play with that College in whatever competition in (varsity or local league) and be also allowed play with his/her Club in local leagues. 2) Underage Players (any player U/18 down)
- (d) In order to take part in competition all Clubs / Teams must register with B.I. This registration will take place directly with B.I. on the form provided by them. The registration fees will be stated on the official registration forms.
- (e) To participate in any KSEBB competition, each Team and Player must be registered with the KSEBB. This registration will take place directly with the KSEBB. Last date for Registration each season is the 31st December of the season being played
- (f) A person is deemed to be a member of a Club for one calendar year from the date of registration.
- (g) To participate in underage competitions, an underage Player's birthday must occur on or after 1st January.
- (h) Additional Players may be registered before 31st December each season by forwarding the Player's name, together with the registration fee, to KSEBB.
- (i) Should a Club play a Player who is not registered with KSEBB, then they shall be liable to a fine of €50.00 per such person, or suspension, or both. The Club shall forfeit the game involved. All players must be registered with BI and KSEBB before playing.
- (j) No Player may play for another of his Club's teams in any one league division or Cup Competition.
- (k) U/18 Players may play in both underage and senior grades. If they are registered as U/18 Players with KSEBB, they will be exempt from paying senior Player registration
- (l) Where a Club has a senior team only / junior team only, a Player may play with another Club that has a junior team only / senior team only.

- (m) A person may not register with an affiliated Club of the KSEBB if that person has outstanding debts with another affiliated Club of the KSEBB.
- (n) If a Club leaves the KSEBB league for any reason and has outstanding fees, no Player from that Club will be allowed register with any other Club until all outstanding fees are paid to KSEBB.

16. Regrading.

- (a) The Executive of the Board must sanction all regrading requests.
- (b) The application for regrading must be received at least one week prior to its proposed commencement.
- (c) Players may move up a grade before the 31st of December and after that must play at the higher grade for the remainder of the season
- (d) All regrades must be done at a KSEBB meetings.

17. Transfers.

- (a) All Transfers from outside and within the KSEBB should be completed on the B.I transfer form and evidence of such transfer must be lodged with KSEBB before a Player may play with their new Club in competitions.
- (b) Once the League programme has started, a Player may transfer only once in any one season.
- (c) Closing date for transfer of Players is the January KSEBB meeting.
- (d) All transfer forms must be completed in full and signed by the Chairperson and Secretary of both Clubs.

18. Referees.

- (a) The South East Referees Association will appoint referees to all games.
- (b) Members SERA must be registered with BI and SERA as referees.
- (c) Correctable errors on a score sheet must be dealt with before the score sheet is signed by the referee.
- (d) If there has been a problem with any aspect of a game, the Captain should sign the score sheet "under protest" at the end of the game, but before the score sheet is signed by the referee. If a Captain signs a score sheet "under protest" a referees report on the game should be forwarded to KSEBB.
- (e) For games outside Kilkenny & Southeast Area the home Club will appoint referees to the game. All referees appointed must be registered with BI as

referees.

19. Competitions.

- (a) There will be Leagues where possible at Senior, U-18, U17, U-16, U15, U-14, U13, U-12 & U11, with as many divisions in each league as required by the number of entries.
- (b) The League will begin in October.
- (c) The following points will be awarded for all League games played: -
- Winning Team 3 Points
 - Losing Team 1 Point
 - Walkover 3 Points
 - Defaulting Team 1 Points
 - Forfeit 0 Points
- (d) The team with the greatest number of points at the conclusion of the league will be declared Champions in each division. In the event of two teams or more ending the League on the same points, a playoff will take place. All playoffs will take place in Kilkenny.
- (e) If a team withdraws from, or is expelled from, any League then all games involving that team will be considered and will be included in the compilation of any League table. The points for any outstanding games will be awarded to the opposition.
- (f) If a Club fails to fulfil a fixture, the points for that game will be forfeited and a €50 fine will be imposed. This sanction will be imposed whether or not the Club notifies an Executive member. A Club will be entitled to appeal above by sending a detailed letter of explanation within 7 days of the fixture outlining the reason why they were unable to attend. The Executive will decide on the awarding of the points and fine at the next board meeting. This decision will be final.
- (g) Promotion and Relegation of teams and or individual Players shall be the decision of the Executive. This decision shall be final and not subject to an appeal.
- (h) There will be prizes for the following categories: -
- Winners of each League Division.
 - Runners-up of each League Division.
 - Winner of each Cup Competition.
 - Runners-up of each Cup Competition.
 - Player of the year in each Division.
- (i) Games Results must be sent by text/email to the Fixtures Secretary immediately after game by the home team. For games outside O'Loughlins gym, the home

team must forward the white score sheet to reach Fixtures Secretary within 14 days, failure to do so will result in the home club incurring a €25 fine. For games in O'Loughlins gym, Last Table Official on Wednesday night will collate the weeks sheets for collection by fixture secretary.

- (j) Every effort should be made to ensure that Clubs receive their notifications of fixtures at least one week prior to matches to facilitate people who would have to make alternative working arrangements.
- (k) The Players and Officials or a Team which has been fined shall be considered suspended from that date and for as long as the fine remains unpaid.
- (l) Any Local Player transferring or structured linked to play with national League teams in the National league shall be eligible to play with their own team in the KSEBB league. (Any non-national paid or scholar player is not eligible to play in KSEBB league)

20. Fixtures.

- (a) League matches will be arranged at the fixture meeting prior to the start of the season. Teams will be given play-by dates at this meeting.
- (b) Clubs with a number of teams competing in the leagues must send one delegate per team to the Annual Fixture Meeting to facilitate speedier making of fixtures, failure to do this will result in a fine of €50.00 per team not represented.
- (c) Separate fixture meetings will be held for Senior and Underage leagues
- (d) Starting times for weeknight games should normally be between 18.30 hrs to 21.00 hrs while Saturday and Sunday games should normally be between 11.00 hrs to 18.00 hrs. Minor teams: Under 18, 17, 16, 15, 14, 13, 12, and 11 can play on weekday evenings if agreed by both teams.
- (e) Once teams agree fixtures, they should be forward to fixture secretary to be included on website so SERA can appoint referees.
- (f) the Executive is determined to deal with the problems associated with fixture changes and the regulations outlined below should be followed by all Clubs seeking such changes.
- (g) A request for a change of fixture including underage will not be granted – unless the gym is unavailable or severe weather warnings are in place. (In the case of weather warnings, the executive will inform teams and officials in advance of games being cancelled)
- (h) The date of any re-fixed game must be submitted to Fixture secretary by email and should be accompanied by a letter confirming the unavailability of the Gym. Failure to do so will result in a walkover being awarded to the visiting team. If the

fixture is in the first half of the season the re-fixed date must be in the first half of the season

- (i) The Fixture Secretary must receive written confirmation at least 14 days day prior to the re-scheduled date of any fixture to which referees are appointed by SERA. Appointed games may only be re-fixed once. Non-appointed games may be re-scheduled within the 14-day period.
- (j) A Minimum of 5 league games for any team must be played by the 31st December in any one season.
- (k) Games un-played by the last day of the season as set out by the board at the fixtures meeting will result in no points being awarded to either team unless one team claims a walkover.
- (l) It should be emphasized that the procedures above do not change the principle that the fixture secretary is the only person empowered to make changes in the fixture list

21. Games.

- (a) The normal timing regulations for all matches are as follows: -

Time available for Matches:	90 Minutes
Duration of each Match:	
Seniors	4 x 9 Minute Quarters (10min quarters for Cup)
Underage	4 x 8 Minute Quarters (9min quarters for Cup)
Half-time interval;	5 Minutes Minimum

Clock stopped for all matches as per F.I.B.A. rules.

Extra periods for all matches as per F.I.B.A. rules.

- (b) Underage level matches may be shortened to 7 minutes per quarter with the agreement of KSEBB.
- (c) It is hoped that all matches will begin on time. If for any reason the start of the game is delayed, the referee shall decide whether it shall be postponed or shortened. It is imperative that subsequent matches should not be affected. If a team does not turn up the referee should note same on score sheet and report matter to KSEBB.
- (d) Referees have the final decision with regards to a game going ahead or not. They must be satisfied that the venue is safe. Every effort should be made to rectify the problem, but if there is a difficulty that cannot be made safe for the Players and Officials, then the game can be postponed.
- (e) If a game starts at a venue but is then disrupted for any reason (other than condensation on the floor) then the following procedure will apply: -

- If the reason for the disruption has been overcome within 20 minutes of its occurrence the game can resume.
 - If the game cannot be resumed, then the time elapsed and the score at the end of the disruption shall be noted on the score sheet by the referees. The score sheet must accompany the referee's report on the disruption.
 - The Executive of the Board, after considering the Referee's report on the game, will offer the following options to the teams: -
 - If both teams agree the score at the time of the disruption shall stand as the result of the game:
 - If both teams agree the match shall be restarted from scratch.
 - If neither of the two options above has been chosen by both teams then the match shall be resumed at the point at which it was disrupted, at a venue and date to be decided by the Executive.
 - The Executive, based on the Referee's report, and any other information it receives, shall decide costs for the game.
- (f) In the particular case of condensation been the cause of the disruption, then the following article replaces the above: -
- On the first occurrence of condensation which interferes with play the referee shall stop the game and allow 15 minutes to the home team to correct the problem.
 - On the second occurrence of condensation the Referee must abandon the game and report to KSEBB.
- (g) The Board is not responsible for any expense incurred by teams who travel to games and find them postponed or abandoned.
- (h) Teams / Players are required to wear complete sets of matching uniforms.
- (i) The uniform should be numbered as outlined in the rules of Basketball.
- (j) Any Player not properly attired, will not under any circumstances be allowed to participate in the game.
- (k) In the event of a colour clash, the home team (i.e., the first team named on the fixture sheet) shall change.

22. Insurance.

- (a) Clubs should take out insurance for their players, their Coaches, and their

Administrators.

- (b) Clubs using a home gymnasium must have public liability insurance and the KSEBB hereby disclaims any liability whatsoever in respect of matches in KSEBB Competitions organised by Clubs in their home gyms. Evidence of insurance (eg) a Photocopy of a Policy, is to be sent to KSEBB.

23. Underage Playing Rules.

- (a) All underage games in KSEBB should follow the Basketball Ireland National Under Rules issued by basketball Ireland prior to every season beginning
- (b) Note under these rules all coaches wishing to coach U15s and older must hold a Level 1 coaching qualification.
- (c) For Under 15s and older Full FIBA rules apply,

24. All Ireland Club Championships (AICC's)

The Winners and Runners up of the under 14 (1) and under 16 (1) leagues will represent the KSEBB in the AICCs provided, they play all their league and Cup fixtures. Teams who are subject to serious disciplinary action in the current season by the KSEBB will not be considered for selection to the AICCs.