

Basketball (2016-2017)

1. Format of Competition

A single round-robin system will be adopted in the preliminary round if the number of participating team is six only. If the number of participating team is more than six, teams will be drawn into two groups. The top two teams in each group will qualify for the final. Teams finishing at 3rd and 4th places in the groups will play for the consolation round, adopting the cross-elimination system.

2. Regulations

Unless otherwise stated, rules as set by the latest (the annual September) edition of the International Basketball Association will be adopted.

3. Scoring

- (A) Two points shall be awarded to a win, one point for a loss and zero point for failing to honor a fixture.
- (B) If two teams have won the same points, the winner of the tie between them will be ranked higher. If three or more teams have won the same points, ranking will be established by the total ties won, with more ties won ranked higher. As total ties won the same, ranking will be established by the difference between total matches won and total matches lost, with greater difference ranked higher. If this is still equal, ranking will be established by the difference between total games won and total games lost, with greater difference ranked higher. (formula: Goal difference = Scores gained- Scores lost).
- (C) If results are still the same, a re-match for teams concerned will be arranged. (this item only applies to the teams in preliminary round).

4. Entries

- (A) Each institution is limited to enter one men's team and one women's team and after completing the enrollment, the athletes' details shall not be changed (including data and photographs). The nomination form should be signed by a member of the Board of Directors with the College's seal on the cover.

(B) Each team can name 14 players per team. As for each match, no more than 12 players shall actually play.

(C) All players must be born between : 1/1/1988 – 31/12/1999

5. Rescheduling

After the fixture been confirmed by the convenor, request for rescheduling will not be entertained. Under special circumstances, the convenor has the right to change the date of the tournament.

6. Referees

Chairman of the Organizing Committee will hire qualified referees for the competitions.

7. Withdrawal

(A) Any team not presenting a minimum number of players (not less than five) required for a particular game at the scheduled competition start time (according to the clock at the stadium) shall be disqualified for the match.

(B) During a match, the decision of the referee made according to the relevant rules of basketball shall be final. Should a team oppose to the decision and refuse to play, the team shall be taken as withdrawing from the match.

(C) The team disqualified as specified in 7(a) above should submit an official explanation signed by the Council Member of the institution concerned to the Chairman of the Executive Committee of USFHK within 72 hours (irrespective of holidays) of the event.

8. Protests and appeals

Appeals shall be made in writing within 72 hours after the game (holidays included). The writing has to be signed by a member of the Board of Directors, together with a deposit of HKD one thousand. Any appeal shall be sent to the Organizing Committee of the games, and the decision of the Appeals Committee shall be final.

9. Weather

In case of adverse weather condition on the competition day, the convenor has the right to decide whether race should take place as scheduled.

10 By-laws and Rules

- (A) Men's Division shall choose "Nike Elite Championship 8-Panel" 7th basketball; Women's Division "" Nike Elite Championship 8-Panel" 6th basketball. The ball for the match shall be provided by the Organiser.
- (B) The players for the game may use "00" to "99" jerseys.
- (C) The competition is divided into four sections, each with duration of ten minutes to keep the table way, only in articles I, II and III for the last-minute, fourth section and play the last five minutes and paused stopwatch). There will be a two-minute break between each section, with intermission time of five minutes. In case at the end of the game, the scores are the same, an extra five minutes will be played. By the end of this extra time, if the scores are still the same, another extra five minutes will be played to decide the winner. Two timeout may be requested by each of the two teams in the first half, each timeout for one minute; three timeout may be made in the second half.
- (D) If the regulations as herein stipulated are deemed not good enough, the organiser may at any time amend them, to be submitted to the College Executive Committee for approval and implementation.