



PLAYING REGULATIONS: MEN'S BASKETBALL

1. SPORT FORMAT

Canada West will follow U SPORTS Playing Regulations. This document provides additional regulations that will also be followed or supersede a U SPORTS Playing Regulation.

2. TEAM COMPOSITION (Also refer to Policy 7 & 9 of Canada West Operations Manual)

2.1 League Games –The rosters for home and away teams shall be twelve (12) players. The rosters are not frozen for a weekend series. The home team may dress up to a maximum of fourteen (14) players for warm-up, but only twelve (12) players' names may appear on the official score sheet. A total of 22 individuals (12 participating athletes and 10 team personnel) will be allowed on the bench or team bench area.

2.2 Canada West Playoffs - Teams may dress twelve (12) players and may claim for twelve (12) players, plus two staff, for traveling expenses. Rosters for both teams are frozen at 12 players for a play-off series. A total of 22 individuals (12 participating athletes and 10 team personnel) will be allowed on the bench or team bench area.

2.3 Non-Conference Games – Teams are allowed to dress a maximum of 15 players for all non-conference games.

3. LEAGUE / SEASON FORMAT (Also refer to Policy 8 of the Canada West Operations Manual)

3.1 Tie Breaking Procedures

Final league standings, at the conclusion of league play, shall be based on each teams winning percentage. Only Canada West league games are to be considered for tie-breaking procedures. The tie breaking criteria are in the following prioritized order.

Two Teams Tied:

1. Win/Loss record in head to head competition.
2. Win/Loss record versus common opponents.
3. Each teams RPI ranking.
4. Points difference in head to head competition between the tied teams.
5. Points difference using all games versus common opponents.
6. Points difference using all games played.

7. Coin flip by Canada West President.

Three or More Teams Tied:

Use the same procedure as a two-teams tied. Once one team has been separated from the tied group, go back to step one with the remaining tied team(s).

4. PLAYOFF / CHAMPIONSHIP FORMAT (Also refer to Policy 8 of the Canada West Operations Manual)

- 4.1 The top 12 teams advance to playoffs based on their league standings using win/loss records as well as the tie-breaking procedure outlined in 3.1 above if needed. The 12 teams are then seeded 1 to 12 based on their RPI ranking using the following formula:

RPI = 35% team winning percentage (WP) x 1.1 away win + 0.9 home win, 40% opponents' average winning percentage (OWP), and 25% opponents' opponent's average winning percentage (OOWP).

If any of the 12 teams are tied in the RPI seeding process, then again ties are broken using Section 3.1 above.

Week 1 Play In Game (single elimination game)
12 @ 5/ 11 @ 6/ 10 @ 7/ 9 @ 8
Byes: 1-4

Week 2 Semi-Finals – Single Games
Teams are reseeded after the Play In game:
Day 1 – 5 vs 4 & 8 vs 1 @ 1/ 6 vs 3 & 7 vs 2 @ 2
Day 2 – Winners @ 1 & @ 2

Week 3 CW Gold Medal Game

5. UNIFORMS (Also refer to Policy 9 of Canada West Operations Manual)

- 5.1 During league play, the home team shall wear light uniforms the first game of the weekend and dark uniforms the second game.
- 5.2 All uniforms must use approved FIBA numbers (0 and 00 and from 1 to 99).
- 5.3 All Canada West members are required to have the Canada West brand on all new uniforms, as per the specifications in the Canada West Brand ID Guide. The Canada West Office shall proof branding on uniforms to ensure guidelines are met.

6. RULES

6.1 OFFICIALS

1. All assignments for non-conference, exhibition, league and playoff competitions shall be handled by the Canada West Basketball Officials Coordinator. Travel costs for officials assigned to league and playoff competitions will be managed in accordance with the Canada West travelling officials' policy. All costs, including travel, associated with exhibition competitions shall be borne by the host institution.
2. Coaches, through their Athletic Directors, are able to provide comments and evaluations to the Canada West Basketball Officials Coordinator at any time during the season.
3. Prior to the end of January each year, the Canada West Basketball Convener will ask coaches for their top 3 local officials and their top 3 non-local officials that the coaches have seen work games that season. The Convener will forward the input received to the Officials Coordinator in order to assist with the assignment of playoff officials.

7. AWARDS *(Also refer to Policy 15 of the Canada West Operations Manual)*

Teams competing in the Canada West Championship will be competing for the Stan Broder Trophy and the Canada West Banner.

Championship medals will be presented to the top three teams.

The Canada West Basketball Convenor will coordinate the selection procedures and timelines for awards outlined below to ensure that Canada West and U SPORTS requirements are met. The process will be completed by email utilizing the forms attached in Appendix D to H or similar email formats utilized by the Convenor.

All Canada West All-Star teams and individual award winners will be announced the week of the Canada West Championships.

7.1 AWARDS SELECTION PROCESS

1. There will be three Canada West All-Star teams. After voting, the top 1 to 5 All-stars will be the first-team Canada West All-stars and the next 6 to 10 will be the second-team Canada West All-stars, the next 11 to 15 will be the third-team Canada West All-stars with the top ranked athlete being the Canada West Player of the Year. The names of the first Canada West All-star team will be submitted to U SPORTS for national consideration for U SPORTS first and second team All-Canadians.
2. There will be one Canada West All-Rookie team. After voting, those placing 1 to 5 will make up the All-Rookie team with the top ranked athlete being the Canada West Rookie of the Year. The top 2 athletes will be submitted to U SPORTS for national consideration on the U SPORTS All-Rookie Team.

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3. The Canada West Basketball Convenor will call for nominations for all awards from the coaches. Coaches shall nominate in rank order athletes from their team worthy of All-star and Rookie All-star recognition. Also included in the call for nominations are the major award nominees. Coaches will nominate only one athlete from their university for the major awards. All Canada West Coaches names will appear on the Canada West Coach of the Year ballot.
 4. The Convenor compiles the lists of nominees and produces a Ballot for circulation to the coaches, respecting the rank order submitted by the coach.
 5. Coaches will vote for their choice for All-stars recognition by ranking the All-star nominees 1 to 15 and the Rookie All-star nominees 1 – 8. For major awards the coaches rank their top 3 candidates. The ballot is to be submitted to the Convenor. Coaches do not vote for their own athletes or for themselves and coaches must respect the rank order of the coach who submitted the nominee.
 6. The Convenor will tabulate the results to determine the award winners and U SPORTS nominees. All ties will be broken by using the Canada West tie breaking procedure.
- 7.2 Major Awards
1. Player of the Year (U SPORTS Mike Moser Memorial Trophy Nominee)
 - a. As noted in the process above, the player receiving the most votes in the All-star process is automatically the winner of the Canada West Outstanding Player of the Year.
 - b. The winners name will be submitted to U SPORTS as the Canada West nominee for the U SPORTS Mike Moser Trophy.
 2. Rookie of the Year (nominee for the U SPORTS Dr. Peter Mullens Trophy)
 - a. As noted in the process above, the player receiving the most votes in the Rookie All-star process is automatically the winner of the Canada West Rookie of the Year Award.
 3. Defensive Player of the Year
 - a. All coaches will be asked to nominate their defensive player of the year and submit their list to the Convenor.
 - b. All nominations will be placed on a ballot and circulated to each coach.
 - c. Each coach is to select their choice for the top 3 defensive players of the year while not voting for their own athlete.
 - d. The athlete receiving the most votes will be recognized as the Canada West Defensive Player of the Year and their name will be submitted to U SPORTS for the U SPORTS Defensive Player of the Year award.

4. Student-Athlete Community Service Award (nominee for the U SPORTS Ken Shields Award)
 - a. All coaches will be asked to nominate one player as their candidate for Student- Athlete Community Service Award using the nomination form circulated by the Convenor.
 - b. The recipient is a Canada West athlete who best exhibits outstanding achievements in three (3) areas: basketball, academics and community involvement.
 - c. All nominations will be placed on a ballot and circulated with the corresponding profile. Each coach is to select their top 3 candidates while not voting for their own athlete.
 - d. The athlete receiving the most votes will be the Canada West winner and their names submitted to U SPORTS as Canada Wests' nominee for the Men's Basketball Ken Shields Award.

5. Coach of the Year (nominee for the U SPORTS Stuart Aberdeen Memorial Award)
 - a. All coaches' names will appear on the ballot.
 - b. Coaches are to vote for their top 3 candidates while not voting for themselves.
 - c. The top ranked coach based on points assigned will be recognized as the Canada West Coach of the Year and their name will be submitted to the U SPORTS as Canada Wests' Stuart Aberdeen Memorial Award nominee for Coach of the Year.

7.3 Recognition of Award Winners

- a. Canada West award winners must be formally recognized at the Canada West Championships.
- b. It is at the discretion of the host whether the recognition is made at the competition itself or through some other ceremony/banquet, etc. held in conjunction with the Championship.

8. SPORT ADMINISTRATION (Also refer to Section 9 of the Canada West Operations Manual)

8.1 HOSTING RESPONSIBILITIES

1. The FIBA score sheet, in conjunction with Presto Sports, shall be used. Also refer to Section 13 of the Canada West Operations Manual for post-game reporting duties.
2. The host institutions shall be responsible for providing the visiting team with ice, towels, and locks.
3. The host institution shall supply the visiting team with a minimum of six (6) Wilson (size 7) basketballs for the visitor's shooting practice, pre-game and halftime warm-ups.

4. The host institution shall make every attempt to provide a one-hour shooting practice for the visiting teams on the day of the competition and the teams that play the early game shall be given priority for the early practice times ahead of the teams that play the later game. Practice times are to be reciprocal between the coaches of the two teams with consultation with the Athletic Director or designate. Practice times should follow the specific order of visitor's then home team. It is understood that under exceptional circumstances the visitors may have to share a one-hour spot. Host schools must confirm shooting times by the end of business on Tuesday for games that weekend.
5. The host institution is responsible for providing water containers at both benches.
6. The coach of the host team is to provide a written Agenda to the coach of the visiting team at the shooting practice. This Agenda is to include:
 - Game start time.
 - Pre-game activities, time line, protocol (i.e. Nationals).
 - Half-time start time.
 - Half-time schedule of events, if entertainment or presentations.
 - Any "closing ceremonies" (i.e. awards).Note: This Agenda is to be submitted to the officials prior to the game.
7. In the case of a simultaneous foul at the buzzer, free throws shall be awarded, as the point spread may be a factor in the win/loss record in the case of a tie in final league standings.
8. See the Event Management Policy in the Canada West Operations Manual for guidelines for live music, amplified/computer generated music & sounds and public address.

9. MEDICAL SUPPORT SERVICES

Refer to Policy 14 of the Canada West Operations Manual for host and visiting team responsibilities.

10. GAME PROTESTS

Refer to Section 10 of the Canada West Operations Manual for policy.

11. FILM EXCHANGE

Refer to Policy 11 of the Canada West Operations Manual for policy and timelines and Appendix B of these playing regulations for the recording protocol.

- 12. INAPPROPRIATE CONDUCT AND SERIOUS MISCONDUCT IN COMPETITION** The following provides policy and procedure for athlete or bench personnel during competition involving Canada West institutions. Refer to Appendix A for further info on Technical and Unsporting Fouls.

1. Fighting

- If an athlete and/or any bench personnel are removed by the game officials from a non- conference/exhibition and/or Canada West league and/or Canada West playoff game for fighting, they shall miss the remainder of the game they are disqualified from plus receive an automatic one game suspension from their next contest.
- A second disqualification for fighting from a subsequent non-conference/exhibition and/or Canada West league and/or Canada West playoff game shall cause an automatic suspension for the remainder of the season
- These penalties do carry over from one year to the next.

2. Disqualifications

- If an athlete and/or any bench personnel are disqualified by the game officials from a non-conference/exhibition and or Canada West league and/or Canada West playoff game, for reasons that caused technical or unsporting fouls to be administered, other than fighting, they shall miss the remainder of the game they are disqualified from.
- If an individual is disqualified for reasons other than fighting, for a third time in one season, the individual involved shall receive an automatic two game suspension (This policy is not directed towards players leaving a game due to an accumulation of five personal fouls).
- If the accumulation of three technical or unsporting foul disqualifications, for reasons other than fighting, occurs a second time in one season, i.e. after the two game suspension levied in # 2 above, there shall be an automatic suspension for the remainder of the season.
- These penalties do not carry over from one year to the next.

3. Egregious Misconduct

Any specific instance of egregious misconduct behavior during a conference or play-off or non-conference game/exhibition, will result in a one game suspension, and further suspension(s) shall be reviewed in accordance with the Canada West policy on Inappropriate Conduct and Serious Misconduct in Competition found in Policy 6 of the Canada West Operations Manual.

4. Non-Administrative Technical Fouls

If a player or coach is assessed a total of five non-administrative Technical Fouls and/or Unsporting Fouls of an egregious nature (i.e. FIBA Rules, Article 37.1.1 C.2) during Canada West league or playoff games, that person shall be automatically suspended for one game unless the Convener feels there are extenuating circumstances. Should

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the same person receive further such fouls after serving their suspension the Convener, after review and in consultation with the Canada West Office, may assess further suspensions. These penalties do not carry over from one year to the next.

5. Post-Game Reporting By Officials and Host Institutions
 - a) The game officials shall inform the scorekeeper of any technical fouls, unsporting fouls and/or ejection(s) that occur prior to, during, or after the game. The scorekeeper shall record the technical and unsporting fouls in the fouls section of the official score sheet. The scorekeeper shall record the name of any individual(s) disqualified from the game on the back of the official score sheet and indicate if the disqualification(s) is for fighting or otherwise.
 - b) A member of the officiating crew shall email the Basketball Conduct Report Form to the Canada West Convener prior to 10:00 am the day following the game in question reporting any technical fouls, unsporting fouls of an egregious nature, and/or any disqualifications. The Canada West Convener, in consultation with the Canada West office determines as soon as possible if suspensions are warranted.
 - c) The host institution shall administer the following:
 - Technical fouls, unsporting fouls and disqualifications including the player and/or staff name/number, are to be indicated on the Stats Crew game summary.
 - A copy of the official game score sheet is circulated by the home institution to the Canada West Office
 - For competitions that occur outside the jurisdiction of Canada West, the Canada West institution involved in an ejection(s) must forward a copy of the official score sheet to the Canada West Office and email the ejection information to the Canada West Convener.
 - It is the responsibility of the Canada West Basketball Convener to keep records of technical fouls, unsporting fouls and/or disqualifications as well as suspensions. The Convener shall email as soon as possible copies of Misconduct Reports received for all Technical and Unsporting Fouls of an egregious nature to the respective Athletic Director and head coach. It is the responsibility of the Athletic Director, or designate, of an individual receiving a disqualification to ensure the suspension is carried out appropriately. It is the responsibility of the host Athletic Director, or Designate; to ensure a suspension beginning with the next game at their facility is carried out appropriately, e.g. a league double-header.
 - Individuals that are suspended from competition may not be in the competition facility during the competition from which they are suspended.

13. RESULTS, STATISTICS AND SCORESHEET MANAGEMENT

Refer to Section 13 of the Canada West Operations Manual for regulations and procedures regarding statistical reports and results/scoresheet management.

14. APPENDICES

- A. Points of Emphasis – Technical and Unsporting Fouls
- B. Game Film Recording Protocol
- C. Game Protocol
- D-H Awards nomination forms and ballots

APPENDIX A POINTS OF EMPHASIS FOR OFFICIALS AND HEAD COACHES PERTAINING TO TECHNICAL AND UNSPORTING FOULS

With input from the CW AGM, CW Sport Committee, CW Basketball Officials Oversight Committee, the CW Basketball Officials Coordinator and the CW Basketball Convener the following points of emphasis pertaining to the administration of Technical and Unsporting Fouls is being circulated to CW Athletic Directors and Designates, to CW Basketball Head Coaches and to members of the CW Basketball Officials Panel.

By Rule, Technical Fouls are behavioural type fouls and Unsporting Fouls will always involve contact not considered normal basketball action.

1. CW AD's shall work with their head coaches prior to each season to educate and clarify that inappropriate behaviour leading to athlete or bench personnel Technical or Unsporting Fouls is not acceptable at educational institutions.
2. The CW Basketball Officials Coordinator shall work with members of the CW Basketball Officials Panel to work towards consistency and fairness concerning the calling and administration of Technical and Unsporting Fouls.
3. When a player is assessed two Technical Fouls during a game they shall be disqualified from that game. When a player is assessed two Unsporting Fouls during a game, they shall be disqualified from that game. When a player is assessed one Technical Foul and one Unsporting Foul during a game, they shall be disqualified from that game.
4. When a player is assessed two Unsporting Fouls during a game, they shall be disqualified from that game.
5. Technical Fouls assessed to a "player, substitute, bench personnel or Head Coach" for inappropriate foul language directed towards officials shall lead to immediate disqualification from the game. Technical Fouls for inappropriate foul language by a player or substitute, which is directed at themselves or at opponents, may, if egregious enough, also lead to immediate disqualification from the game.
6. Inappropriate behaviour by bench personnel, unless egregious, shall first be addressed by game officials asking the Head Coach for their assistance in having this cease. It shall then be the responsibility of the Head Coach to address this with their bench personnel. If this behaviour is egregious and game officials can identify the person, or persons, responsible, they shall be immediately disqualified from the game. A "direct" technical foul is one assessed to a specific person. An "indirect" technical foul is one assessed to bench personnel of a non-egregious nature. If a Head Coach receives two "direct" technical fouls or a combination of "direct and indirect" technical fouls adding up to three, the Head Coach shall be disqualified from the game.
7. CW Basketball Officials shall submit a Misconduct Report to the CW Basketball Convener prior to 10:00am Pacific time the day following the game in question if Technical Fouls,

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Unsporting Fouls (i.e. all unsporting fouls other than those defined as non-egregious 'breakaway' fouls) or Disqualifying Fouls have been assessed.

8. The CW Basketball Convener shall circulate as soon as possible copies of the Misconduct Report to CW AD's and Head Coaches of those teams cited.
9. CW Basketball Playing Regulations Section 12 outlines the administration of inappropriate conduct and serious misconduct during CW league and playoff competition including the potential management of game disqualifications and suspensions.

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APPENDIX B CANADA WEST BASKETBALL GAME FILM RECORDING PROTOCOL

The following instructions are to be followed by those who are recording Canada West men's and women's basketball games for the purpose of uploading the recording to Synergy Sport Technology*. Those who are doing live web cast recordings should NOT be using the same camera as the one for Synergy Sport recordings and should be following different protocols.

1. Recording should be done from the middle of the sideline with a mounted camera positioned as high in the bleachers as possible.
2. The camera should be adjusted to eliminate any writing on the screen such as date, record, etc. and the camera volume is to be OFF.
3. The camera operator should test the system prior to game time to ensure it is ready to operate.
4. The operator should attempt to provide a panoramic view at all times so that all 10 players on the floor, and the basket being shot at, are in the picture particularly in the quarter-court setting. Close ups are not desirable. The basket and end line that the play is going towards should be at one edge of the screen with the players filling up the rest of the screen (this usually accounts for about one-third of the court). In fast break situations be sure to capture the ball, but it is understood not all players may be in the picture for a short while. When the ball moves quickly, the camera does not need to shift quickly – catch up at an appropriate pace.
5. The camera should be focused to be able to see player numbers.
6. The operator should zoom in on the scoreboard as often as possible. In particular, use quarter and half times, time outs and stoppages of play for overtime, substitution, injury or administrative delays and the final score, but do not leave the camera running during these dead ball periods. Late in the game attempt to show the scoreboard prior to free throws being shot.
7. Do not film pre-game, half time or post-game activities although the camera should be left on until the teams leave the floor and return to their bench areas. Do not film game huddles, time outs, instant replay, coach/bench personnel or cheerleaders.

***Refer to Policy 11 of the Canada West Operations Manual for protocols and timelines**

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APPENDIX C GAME PROTOCOL

PRE-GAME	ACTIVITY
Based facility availability	Gym floor available for shoot around
	Home team selects bench at end they will defend at start of game
20 minutes on game clock	Clock starts countdown to game start time (guaranteed warmup time)
	Teams warmup at the basket they will shoot at to begin the game
15 minutes	Game officials to be on court
1 minute	Horn warns teams to clear the floor
0 minutes	Teams at respective benches
	Teams stand for National Anthem
	Any presentations or announcements made
	- if they take more than 5 minutes then another 3 minutes for warm up.
	Visiting Team starting 5 introduced
	Home Team starting 5 introduced
1st HALF	
10 minutes on clock	Jump Ball for 1st quarter
TO-1 minute on clock	Time outs are 50 seconds/ready to play after 60 seconds
0 minutes	Teams at respective benches
2 minutes	Time on clock between quarters
	Promotional opportunity
10 minutes on clock	2nd quarter begins
0 minutes	Teams to dressing rooms for half time
HALF TIME	
15 minutes	Time on clock for half time
	(Can be extended to 20 minutes for special promotions)
	Promotions/Recognitions/Half time shows 10 minutes or less
5 minutes	Time on clock for teams to warmup
	Teams warmup at the opposite basket than in the 1st half
1 minute	Horn warns teams to clear the floor
0 minutes	Teams at respective benches
2nd HALF	
10 minutes on clock	3rd quarter begins
0 minutes	Teams at respective benches
2 minutes	Time on clock between quarters
	Promotional opportunity
10 minutes on clock	4th quarter begins

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0 minutes	Teams at respective benches
OVERTIME	
2 minutes	Time on clock if Overtime periods are needed
	Promotional opportunity
5 minutes on clock	Overtime periods begin
	In each Overtime teams shoot at the same basket as in the 4th quarter
0 minutes	Teams at respective benches
	(Overtime periods repeat until contest decided)
	Teams shake hands and head for dressing rooms
	Game Officials leave the floor
	Recognition opportunity if needed

**APPENDIX D-1
CANADA WEST MEN'S BASKETBALL ALL-STAR TEAM NOMINEES
NOMINATION FORM**

UNIVERSITY OF _____

ALL-STAR NOMINEES:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

ROOKIE ALL-STAR NOMINEES:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

**APPENDIX D-2
CANADA WEST MEN'S BASKETBALL MAJOR AWARD NOMINEES
NOMINATION FORM**

UNIVERSITY OF _____

DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE YEAR

1. _____

STUDENT-ATHLETE COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

Please include nomination form with background information

1. _____

APPENDIX E-1
CANADA WEST MEN'S BASKETBALL ALL-STAR TEAMS BALLOT

UNIVERSITY OF _____

ALL-STAR NOMINEES:

Instructions:

Rank athletes 1 to 15,
Coaches do not vote for their own athletes,
Ranking must be respected

- 1) _____
- 2) _____
- 3) _____
- 4) _____
- 5) _____
- 6) _____
- 7) _____
- 8) _____
- 9) _____
- 10) _____
- 11) _____
- 12) _____
- 13) _____

14) _____

15) _____

**APPENDIX F-1
CANADA WEST MEN'S BASKETBALL
ROOKIE ALL-STAR TEAM BALLOT**

ROOKIE ALL-STAR NOMINEES:

Instructions:

Rank athletes 1 to 8,
Coaches do not vote for their own athletes,
Ranking must be respected

1) _____

2) _____

3) _____

4) _____

5) _____

6) _____

7) _____

8) _____

**APPENDIX G-2
CANADA WEST MEN'S BASKETBALL MAJOR AWARD NOMINEES
BALLOT**

UNIVERSITY OF _____

DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE YEAR

- 1) _____
- 2) _____
- 3) _____

STUDENT-ATHLETE COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

- 1) _____
- 2) _____
- 3) _____

**APPENDIX H-3
CANADA WEST MEN'S BASKETBALL
COACH OF THE YEAR
BALLOT**

- 1) _____
- 2) _____
- 3) _____