

05-December-2023

**Subject: Enforcement of Compression Garment
Rule - ASAA Directive**

Cc: Calgary Basketball Officials Association
Members



Dear Coaches, Athletic Directors, Players, and Basketball Stakeholders,

I hope this message finds you well. We would like to bring to your attention an important directive from the Alberta Schools' Athletic Association (ASAA) regarding the enforcement of the Compression Garment rule. This directive, as outlined in the ASAA memo dated November 22, 2023, mandates that all ASAA member high schools in the province of Alberta adhere to this rule for basketball competitions.

The rule specifically dictates that players are allowed to wear only compression material undergarments, and these must be of a snug fit. T-shirts made from materials other than compression material or undergarments, including compression material that are not tight-fitting, will be prohibited. This regulation aligns with the FIBA rule (Rule 3, Section 4.4, Sub-Section 4.4.2) and is established with the primary concern of ensuring player safety. Enclosed is the ASAA memo with the highlighted relevant section for your reference.

In adherence to basketball regulations set forth by the ASAA, the Calgary Basketball Officials Association members are required to enforce the Compression Garment rule at all basketball games. It will be imperative that your team members comply by wearing appropriate undergarments. As the season begins and in order to provide team members adequate time for compliance with this ASAA directive the game officials will remind you of the uniform directive. It is expected that the players will be properly equipped no later than 01-January-24. After this date players may not be permitted to participate should they not be in compliance with this ASAA directive regarding undergarments. Your cooperation and adherence to these rules are crucial to maintaining the integrity, safety, and fairness of the basketball competitions in our region. This is vital for ensuring the smooth and frustration-free operation of the game.

If there are any questions or clarifications needed regarding this directive, we kindly ask you to direct your inquiries to the **ASAA Basketball Commissioners**. They will be able to provide further guidance and clarification in alignment with the ASAA guidelines.

We appreciate your dedication to upholding the standards set by the ASAA and ensuring a consistent application of the Compression Garment rule across all participating high schools.

Thank you for your attention to this matter, and we look forward to your continued support in promoting a positive and inclusive basketball environment.

Best regards,

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Memo

To: ASAA Member Schools
Date: November 22, 2023
From: Brad Van Raalte, Assistant Executive Director
cc: Perry Stothart, Alberta Basketball Officials' Association
Suzanne Kavanagh & Chad Watson, ASAA Basketball Commissioners
Re: ASAA Basketball Score Sheets and Rules

ASAA Member Schools and the ABOA,

Score Sheets

The ASAA has adopted a new scoresheet; please [find it here](#) (instructions are included). This is the scoresheet that will be used for the ASAA Provincial Basketball Championships. The ASAA office will no longer be purchasing the triplicate NCR (no carbon required) sheets.

Rules

The ASAA uses FIBA rules for basketball as per policy Section X.1.A. in the [Policy Handbook](#).

To clarify, we will continue to use the following modifications:

1. The shot clock will always be reset to 24 seconds (not 14 seconds on an offensive rebound).
2. The distance of the 3-point line will continue to be 6.32m (NCAA), not 6.75m (FIBA). If there is only one 3-point line painted, that will be used, regardless of the distance.
3. No-charge semi-circles will not be enforced.
4. 10-minute half time. If a schedule permits, 15-minute half times can be used.
5. Religious headpieces are permitted and do not have to match the uniform colour.

Note that FIBA has removed the requirement that shoes must match.

Also, FIBA uniform rules allow for **compression** undergarments (leggings or shirts). Any



undergarment, **including short-sleeve t-shirts** must be compression material and cannot be loose-fitting.

All undergarments/headbands, etc. must conform to colour requirements where all members of the team must have the same colour. They can choose any colour they like, however they each must be matching on their respective teams.

If you have any questions, please contact brad@asaa.ca.