



# **Basketball Federation of India**

**Constitution**

**Amended as on 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2022**

**In Bangalore, Karnataka**

# **BASKETBALL FEDERATION OF INDIA**

## **PART – I**

### **RULE – I GENERAL PROVISIONS**

1. Name Of The Federation

The name of the Federation shall be BASKETBALL FEDERATION OF INDIA.

2. Headquarters:

The Federation's headquarters shall be the residential place of the Secretary General unless otherwise agreed.

3. Registered Office

The Registered office of the Federation shall be situated in the National Capital Territory of Delhi.

4. Jurisdiction

Its Jurisdiction shall extend to the whole of India.

### **RULE – II DEFINITIONS**

1. **"FEDERATION"** shall mean the Basketball Federation of India.
2. **"MEMBER"** shall mean any State body/ Union Territory, the Services Sports Control Board and the Railway Sports Promotion Board controlling Basketball activities within their jurisdiction and accepted as such by the Federation.
3. **"OFFICIAL YEAR"** shall mean the financial year as adopted by the Federation which now is 1<sup>st</sup> April to 31<sup>st</sup> March next year.
4. **"President"** President shall mean the President of the Federation who may be so elected.
5. **"Vice President"** Vice President shall mean any one of the Vice Presidents of the Federation who may be so elected.
6. **"Secretary General"** Secretary General shall mean the Secretary General of the Federation who may be so elected.
7. **"Treasurer"** Treasurer shall mean the Treasurer of the Federation who may be so elected.
8. **"Joint Secretary"** Joint Secretary shall mean the Joint Secretaries of the Federation who may be so elected.



9. **"Executive Member"** Executive Member shall mean one of the Executive Board members who may be so elected
10. **"Assistant Secretary"** Assistant Secretary shall mean the paid Assistant Secretary so appointed and attached to the Federation by the Government of India, Ministry of Sports in consultation with the Federation.
11. **"Technical Commission"** Technical Commission shall mean the commission so set up by the Federation.
12. **"Representative"** Representative shall mean a person duly authorized and nominated as such by a duly affiliated Member of the Federation to attend the particular General Council or Special General Council meeting of the federation.
13. **"General Council"** General council shall mean the General council of the Federation.
14. **"Executive Board"** Executive Board shall mean the Executive Board elected by General Council.

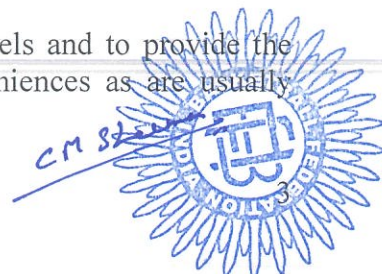
## PART – II

### RULE – III

#### BUSINESS OF THE FEDERATION - AIMS & OBJECTIVES

The aim and objectives of the Federation shall be as under:-

1. To promote and maintain a high standard of the game of Basketball across the Country and at all levels, as well as to initiate or continue such actions that are necessary and / or incidental to the objective. In particular, the Federation shall hold, where feasible, not less than two competitions annually for specified age groups at the junior and sub-junior levels. These competitions shall be organised through inter – block and inter – district competitions at the National Level.
2. To undertake, advance, promote, impart, cultivate, improve, help, disseminate and encourage directly and/ or indirectly Amateur Basketball Tournament at all levels from District, State, National as well as International Championship in India and Internationally, through the Federation.
3. To arrange for Physical education, by providing games, sports, Yoga, Vayam, and in particular by providing basketball training to interested young boys and girls to improve their overall athletic standards for various Championships, specifically for Basketball Championships.
4. To provide special training and coaching to sportsperson of all age groups to participate in the National and International sports competitions to win the prizes and medals in favour of our country.
5. To arrange for physical exercise to the young generation of sportspersons by providing specialist in exercises such as Yoga, Vyayam, swimming etc. and to guide the sportsperson to maintain fitness of both the health & mind.
6. To arrange and organise Basketball Teams and Games at all levels and to provide the facilities, amenities, privileges, advantages, comforts and conveniences as are usually availed to the Players in a club.





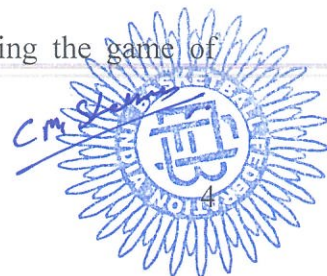
7. To organise Tournaments, Championships and to encourage the young, energetic, and interested Basketball players by providing them facilities to participate in the competition of National and International levels.
8. To provide special coaching by the expert coaches to the Basketball players and other sportsperson in their fields to make them skilled and efficient competitors.
9. To provide sports items and equipment which are used in different sports competitions and games/tournaments to the players, sportspersons and athletes.
10. To correspond in lawful manner to the Central and State Governments and to arrange for meetings, conferences, seminars with the concerned sports authorities for the purpose of developing and improving the standard in Basketball and other sports.
11. To help and assist the amateur Basketball players, sportspersons, athletes and others including needy and helpless ex-sportspersons.
12. To publish Pamphlets, magazines, periodicals, sports magazine newspapers, journals and other publications to fulfill the aims and objectives of the Federation.
13. To arrange for Blood Donation camps, and to help the helpless and needy persons in Flood, Famine, Earthquake, Cyclone and other natural calamities.
14. To establish, open and run Literacy, Reading Rooms, Women and Children Welfare centres, Recreation club, Medical Dispensary for the welfare of the common people.
15. To arrange giving prizes, awards, scholarship, Championship medals, and to evaluate the performance of Sportspersons, Basketball players, Cricketers, Athletes, brilliant students and to encourage them for better performance in their fields.
16. To arrange for Social, Cultural activities, entertainment and recreational events for public.
17. To make adequate arrangements for Sports, Tournaments and Championships amongst the physically and mentally handicapped persons, particularly the younger generations, to encourage them and develop their body and mind.
18. To arrange and organise Cultural Programmes such as Music, Dance, Folk dances, songs and other cultural programmes in India and abroad, as well as providing training and encouragement to the qualified artists to participate for competitions to receive their performance testimonials, prizes, medals, rewards etc.
19. To arrange, establish, run and supervise Community Centre, Indoor game hall, Barat Ghar, Night Halt Centre, Hostel, Dharamshala, Medical Dispensary, Pathological Clinics, old aged homes, Women and Children care centres and vocational training centers to the poor and needy persons. Additionally, to set up programs to provide education to the uneducated youth of India.
20. To apply and get land/plot/building by purchasing or by receiving donation/ gift from Government, concerned authority, or from the public to accommodate different centers to fulfill the aims and objectives of the society.
21. To maintain absolute political & religious neutrality and shall not tolerate any form of discrimination, racial and otherwise.

#### RULE – IV

#### RULES & REGULATIONS - MEMBERSHIP

The membership of the Federation shall be confined to the Indian Union and shall be open to:-

1. State Units (States/ Union Territories as determined by the Government of India) controlling the game of Basketball within their jurisdiction.
2. Units in each centrally administered area (Union Territories) controlling the game of Basketball within its jurisdiction.
3. The Services Sports Control Board. NO voting Rights.





4. The Railway Sports Promotion Board. NO voting Rights.
5. (Amended on 20<sup>th</sup> November 2021) - It is mandatory for the Member State Units/UT to affiliate at least 50% district units of the State / UT for having permanent voting right
6. (Amended on 20<sup>th</sup> November 2021) - Any new affiliation will be based on the below mentioned points: -

- Constitution Copy
- Registration Certificate
- Contact Details of Executive Members
- Names of the Affiliated District Units with the details of District Head i.e President & Secretary General (50% district should be affiliated)
- Registration Certificates of District Units
- Temporary affiliation will be granted to Member State Units/UT who comply with the aforementioned criterion, for a period of one (1) year upon the recommendation of Affiliation committee and such status will be reviewed after one (1) year by the Affiliation committee.

7. Affiliated Member State Units/UT on their reelections for new executive committee/new term - All affiliated Member State Units/UT must ensure that a minimum of 50% of the affiliated district units should participate in State Tournaments held every year. In the event any Member State Unit/ UT fail to do so, their permanent membership will be withdrawn immediately and their status will be shifted/converted to the temporary affiliation/membership which will be reviewed after 1 year by the affiliation committee.

The membership of (3) and (4) are subject to the following provisions:-

The Services Sports Control Board and Railway Sports Promotion Board shall have general jurisdiction over the players employed by all the divisions / offices of the Services and Indian Railways, respectively.

The teams/clubs belonging to these two Units shall be required to Affiliate and to register their players with the State Association (Member) in whose jurisdiction they are stationed, in order to participate in League/ Knock-out Tournaments conducted under the State Association's auspices and open to the other Units/Clubs affiliated to the State Association. The teams belonging to these Units shall not be allowed to take part in any All - India Tournament without a proper, "No Objection" Certificate from the Secretary of the concerned State Association. For violation thereof, the concerned State Association shall take disciplinary action. The SSCB and RSPB players, if selected, are also eligible to represent the State having jurisdiction over them in the Zonal and All-India Inter Zonal Championships.

The Services Sports Control Board and Railway Sports Promotion Board shall be entitled to select their teams for the National Championships from among their registered player-employees. They are to select 15 players for each event and announce them 30 days prior to the date of commencement of the National Championship.

The Services Sports Control Board and Railway Sports Promotion Board shall not be permitted to organise/run any League or Knock-out tournaments open to clubs other than their own Units.

The two Units shall not be permitted to enter their own combined teams in any open tournament other than National Championships.



**RULE – V**  
**FEES: DUE DATES AND DEFAULTORS**

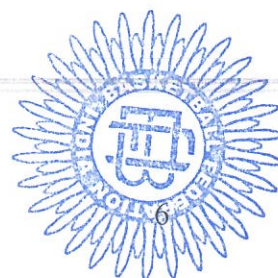
**THE INCOME OF THE FEDERATION SHALL CONSIST OF:**

1. Charges from affiliated States/ Units, namely
  - A. Admission charges of New Members
  - B. Annual Subscription charges
  - C. Registration charges of Players
  - D. Registration charges of the organization for National level open events recognized by BFI
  - E. Royalty for conduct of National Championships
  - F. Referees/ Commissioners Annual charges (BFI/FIBA)
  - G. Referees Examination charges
2. Fines in accordance with respective regulations.
3. Income from Granting of License for the use of BFI rights for Example: Marketing & Television rights.
4. Donation, Sponsorships, Royalties, Subsidies and Miscellaneous returns.

**THE CHARGES PAYABLE TO THE FEDERATION SHALL BE AS FOLLOWS:**

1. Annual Membership charges (to be paid at the beginning of the financial year of the Federation).
  - A. State/Units in centrally administered Areas (Union Territories) @ Rs.3000 P.Y
  - B. S.S.C.B./ R.S.P.B. @ Rs. 5000 PY
  - C. Surcharge of 10% on above is to be paid after 31st May but before 31st December every year.
2. Royalty For Conduct Of National Championships
  - A. Senior Men & Women @Rs. 20,000/-per event.
  - B. Junior Boys & Girls @Rs. 15,000/-per event
  - C. Youth Boys & Girls @Rs. 10,000/-per event
  - D. Sub Junior Boys & Girls @Rs. 10,000/-per event
  - E. Federation Cup Men & Women @Rs.15,000/-per event

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F. Note: Both Male & Female Sections All Age Categories Will Be Treated As One Event

### 3. REGISTRATION CHARGES:

A. International Event @Rs. 50,000/- per event each section.

B. All India Tournament – Men @Rs. 10,000/-per event

C. All India Tournament – Women @Rs. 10,000/-per event

D. Zonal Tournament @Rs. 10,000/-per event

E. All India Tournament – School @Rs. 5,000/-per event per section.

F. Note: Late fee in the event of application for registration of All India level is not received within the prescribed time which shall be six months prior to the actual date of the tournament. Rs. 5000.00

### 4. Participation Charges for National Event:

A. State / Unit State / Unit:

- i. Senior @Rs.300 each section
- ii. Junior @Rs.300 each section.
- iii. Youth @Rs.300 each section
- iv. Sub Junior @Rs.200 each section

B. S.S.C.B. / R.S.C.B. @Rs.500 each section

5. Registration charge for each player participating in National Championship shall be @ Rs. 10/-per year per event.

### 6. Referees

A. Examination charge for Inclusion in BFI Panel 'B' & 'A' @ Rs. 200/- per head

B. Annual Subscription charges for BFI Panel 'B' & 'A' @ Rs. 200/- per head per year

C. Annual Subscription for FIBA Referees/Commissioner @ Rs 1000/- per head per year

7. No member with any dues owed to the Federation shall have the right to attend and vote at any meeting of the Federation. The defaulting Member shall also forfeit the right to participate in any National or other Championships conducted under the auspices of the federation.



**RULE – VI**  
**MEMBERS REPRESENTATION & MANAGEMENT**

1. The Management of the Federation shall vest in the General Council, consisting of President and two accredited representatives of each Member unit. The representatives sent to the General Council by each member shall be duly authorized by its President and/or Secretary.
2. There shall be an Executive Board to administer the affairs of the Federation in terms of policies evolved by the General Council from time to time. The Executive Board shall consist of the President, all the office-bearers of the Federation and eleven duly elected members from among the members of the General Council present at the Meeting.
3. For the day to day administration of the Federation and to take decisions on urgent and important matters when a meeting of an Executive Board or General Council is not possible there shall be a Steering Committee consisting of the President, the Secretary General, Treasurer, immediate past President, Vice President, Chairman Technical Commission, Chairman Selection Committee and two members nominated by the President from amongst the Members of the Executive Board.

**RULE – VII**  
**OFFICE BEARERS - THEIR DUTIES & TERMS OF OFFICE**

1. OFFICE BEARERS:

There shall be a President, Seven Vice Presidents including One Lady Vice President, One Secretary General, Five Honorary Joint Secretaries and One Honorary Treasurer. They shall be elected from amongst the members of the General Council.

(Amended on 20<sup>th</sup> November 2021)

**Tenure restrictions on the Civil servants being part of the Executive Committee:-**

A Government servant may be allowed to hold effective office in any body, whether incorporated or not, for period of two terms or for period of 5 years , whichever is earlier, for which prior sanction will be required when a government servant contest an election in such body, as per existing rules.

(Amended on 20<sup>th</sup> November 2021)

**Restrictions on holding office in more than one National Sports Federations:-**

No office Bearer of the Federation shall be eligible to be the Office Bearer simultaneously of any other National Sports Federation / Association except IOA or any other multiple disciplines Association.





## 2. DUTIES:

### A. PRESIDENT:

The President shall exercise such functions and duties as may be conferred on him by the General Council and Executive Board. He shall preside over meetings of the General Council, Executive Board and Steering Committee. He shall exercise general superintendence over office bearers in discharging of their duties in accordance with the direction of the General Council or Executive Board. At the meetings of the General Council, Executive Board or Steering Committee he may use his right of voting when there is a ballot and may also exercise his casting vote as and when required.

### B. VICE PRESIDENT:

There shall be seven Vice Presidents (including one Lady Vice President) to look after the growth and development of the game among the men & women, junior boys & girls, sub-junior boys & girls and other categories in their respective games. The different subcommittee meeting shall be presided by the President, and the Secretary General will be apprised of all the periodical and progress reports by the particular Chairman of the said sub-committee.

### C. SECRETARY GENERAL:

Keep and maintain minutes of all Annual General Council, Special General Council, the Executive Board or any other committees appointed by the General Council from time to time in appropriate books and shall make all efforts for this to be properly and correctly recorded and confirmed.

Convene Annual General Council, Special General Council, Executive Board and such other meetings whenever required with the concurrence of the President.

Shall carry on all correspondence on the name of the Federation save as otherwise directed by the General Council or Executive Board and will have charge of all correspondence and records of Federation and will be the sole legal representative of the Federation

Shall manage the Secretariat and assume all responsibility to run the same appointing an administrator or other person with the consent of the President about the conditions and their respective duties.

Shall be responsible for all Nationals, sending Circulars, and International Competitions and for the implementation of the mission set out in Rule III of the statute.

Shall make preparations for the meetings of the General Council, Special General Council, Executive Board, Steering Committee sending Notices, preparing Minutes.



publishing, sending and implementing the decisions taken to the Member Units and Executive Board and Commission an officially recognized body.

Shall ensure the receipt of annual charges and other dues from the Members, Royalties, emoluments fines imposed by competent authorities, finances, Bank transactions, ensuring the means of financial resources in close coordination with the President and Treasurer.

Shall ensure compliance by the Members and others of the General statute and all BFI internal regulations and inform the Executive Board of any flagrant violation of the spirit and letter of them.

Shall do all such acts as are conducive to the attainment of the objectives of the federation and impose sanctions in accordance with the Basic Principles governing the Application of sanctions, provided for in these General Statute or internal regulations unless provided otherwise.

Shall prepare and submit an Annual Report on the activities at the General Council and Executive Board meetings, General Statutes and all BFI regulations.

#### D. JOINT SECRETARIES:

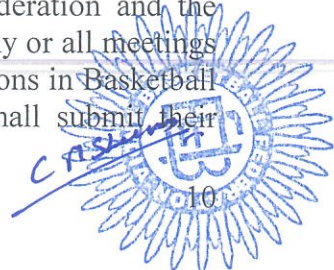
There shall be five Honorary Joint Secretaries to look after the growth and development of the game among men and women, and junior boys & girls, youth and mini boys and girls. They will work in close liaison with the Vice Presidents in-charge and under the overall supervision of the President and Secretary General. In addition, they may be empowered with any other assignment by any such Sub-Committee which they attended as ex-officio members and discharge duties as may be entrusted to them by the Executive Board.

#### E. TREASURER:

Honorary Treasurer shall receive all monies of the Federation and shall pay all Bills certified by the Secretary General unless the value of the bill exceeds the amount budgeted for or has not been sanctioned by the Executive Board in which case the excess or the amount not sanctioned must have the sanction of the Executive Board. The Honorary Treasurer may also advance to the Secretary General or any one on the authorization of the Secretary General from time to time not exceeding Rs. 10000/- each as may be required for meeting day to day expenses of the Federation which are of minor or incidental nature. The Treasurer shall submit an Annual Income and Expenditure Account together with the Balance Sheet duly audited by the approved auditor to the Executive Board and General Council. He shall also maintain an inventory of the Federation's properties and submit the same with the accounts.

#### F. ASSISTANT SECRETARY:

The Assistant Secretary shall be Liaison Officer between the Federation and the Government of India (Ministry of Youth Affairs) and may attend any or all meetings of the Federation. He shall keep complete record of all the competitions in Basketball at National, State or other contests of an All-India nature and shall submit their





complete details to the Secretary General and President of the Federation. His headquarters shall be as Headquarters of the Federation unless otherwise decided.

### 3. TERMS OF OFFICE:

An Office bearer of the Federation and Members of the Executive Board may hold office as such for one term of not more than four years and may be eligible for re-election for a second term as per the guidelines of National Sports Code..

An individual elected as an Office-bearer or an Executive Member on the basis of accreditation by a Member Association shall be permitted to complete his tenure of post / office even if the concerned Member Association withdraws the accreditation given to an Individual at a later date. However, he / she shall have no voting rights in the General Council.

The President of Federation can hold the Office for a maximum period of 12 years with or without break. He/ She cannot apply to seek reelection after completion of 12 years in the office as President.

The Secretary General and the Treasurer of the Federation may serve a maximum of two successive terms of four years each. He/ She can apply to seek fresh election to either post after a cooling period of four years.

Age restrictions of Office bearers – Office bearers shall demit their posts on attaining the age of 70 years, even if the term is not completed - No candidate shall be qualified to contest for any post of office bearers of the Basketball Federation of India, if he/she attained the age of 70 years. The elected Office bearer should demit their posts on attaining age of 70 years even if his/her term is not completed.(Amended on 20<sup>th</sup> November 2021)

## **RULE – VIII**

### **POWERS, FUNCTIONS AND DUTIES - GENERAL COUNCIL**

The powers and functions of the General Council shall be:

1. To elect Office bearers and Members of the Executive Board once in four years.
2. To check, scrutinize, accept or reject new Members and to form or cause to be formed independent State Basketball Association in States where there is no such Association
3. To receive the Annual Report regarding the activities and Audited Statement of Accounts of the Federation.
4. To control the funds of the Federation and approve Annual Budgets presented.
5. To appoint Auditors and fix their remuneration.
6. To nominate the Chairman of the Technical Commission once in four years to synchronize with the election of Office bearers and Members of the Executive Board



7. To nominate the Chairman of the Selection Committee once in four years to synchronize with the election of Office bearers and Members of Executive Board.
8. To lay down regulations to govern players from India participating in any National competitions, International competitions, or in any foreign tours or while foreign teams visit India.
9. To arrange, control and frame rules, internal regulations and bye-laws for all Championships conducted under the auspices of the Federation and other matters.
10. To consider affiliation of the Federation with Indian and other International bodies.
11. To impose, enforce or waive penalties for any violation of the rules or bye-laws of the Federation.
12. To explain and interpret the rules and regulations of the Federation and to give decisions on any point not covered by them.

### **RULE – IX**

#### **POWERS, FUNCTIONS AND DUTIES - EXECUTIVE BOARD**

The Executive Board under the direction of the General Council shall conduct the following affairs of the Federation:

1. It shall consider, approve, modify or reject rules and regulations of the Federation and to give decision on any point not covered by them
2. It may appoint specific sub-committees for specific functions and duties whenever necessary, may initiate and may recommend to the General Council any scheme for Zonal, Inter Zonal, National or International Championships, approve tours of Indian Basketball teams abroad or foreign Basketball teams visit to India, and do such other things as are conducive to the growth and development of the game of Basketball in the country.
3. It shall consider the Annual Report and Audited Statement of Accounts of the Federation as presented and recommend the same for approval by the General Council.
4. It shall have power to co-opt an office-bearer in the event of a vacancy arising
5. It shall devise ways and means from time to time to augment the financial resources of the Federation and utilize the funds as acquired in such manner as considered desirable for fulfillment of the objects of the Federation
6. It shall invest monies and funds of the Federation in such approved securities and in such manner as may be decided upon from time to time.
7. It shall take on lease, hire or otherwise acquire any moveable and/or immovable property rights of privileges necessary or convenient for carrying out the objects of the Federation on such terms and conditions it deemed fit





8. It shall act as trustees of any funds, cups, shields or any other property settled or donated for the promotion or encouragement of the game of Basketball.
9. It shall print, publish or circulate any periodicals, leaflets or any such media that the Federation may consider desirable for the promotion of its objects.
10. Representation of Sports persons in Executive Committee - There shall be 25% sports person in the management committee with voting rights.

## **RULE – X**

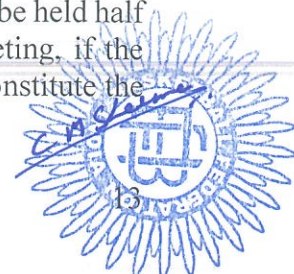
### **MEETINGS AND NOTICES**

#### **1. General Council:**

- A. The General Council shall meet at least once a year whenever required as the President may from time to time decide at such place and time.
- B. The notice of the Annual General Meeting shall be given by the Secretary General under certification of posting 21 days before the date of such meetings together with the agenda and a copy of the Annual Report and Audited–Statement of Accounts.
- C. Special General meetings may be convened by the Secretary General at such time and place as the President may direct to consider any important specific business, or on a written requisition signed by not less than 16 Member Units stating the business to be transacted within 30 days of receipt of such a requisition. The Secretary General shall circulate the agenda for such meetings and shall give 21 days notice for such meetings.
- D. In the event the Secretary General fails to convene a meeting at the direction of the President, the President may himself directly convene a meeting over his signature.
- E. In the event of the Secretary General fails to convene a special meeting within 21 days on receiving a requisition for such meeting. The requisitions may themselves convene a meeting for the purpose specified in the purpose specified in the requisition at such place and time as may be determined by them.
- F. Any Member or Office bearer desiring to raise any special business at the Annual General Meeting shall give 14 days notice thereof to the Secretary General who shall circulate the same to the Members and Office bearers before the date of the Meeting.
- G. Quorum: Any General Council or Special General Meeting 25 representatives personally present shall form a quorum and no business shall be transacted unless a quorum is present at the commencement of business.

#### **H. Procedure When Quorum Is Not Present:**

If within half an hour from the time for the General Council or Special Meeting, a Quorum is not present for the meeting, the meeting shall stand adjourned to be held half an hour later on the same day at the same place. At such adjourned meeting, if the quorum is not present, those Members who are present shall themselves constitute the quorum and may transact the business for which the meeting was called.



## 2. EXECUTIVE BOARD:

- A. The Executive Board shall meet at least once a year or whenever required as the President may from time to time decide at such places and time to conduct the affairs of the Federation. The notice of such meetings shall be given by the Secretary General regd. Post/courier atleast 14 days before the date of the meeting together with the agenda to the Members entitled to receive them.
- B. Quorum at the Executive Board Meeting:  
The Quorum necessary for the transaction of business of the Committee shall be 11. If a meeting is adjourned for want of Quorum, no quorum shall be necessary at the adjourned meeting which shall be held half an hour later on the same day and the place.
- C. Membership of the Executive Board is strictly personal. The representation by proxy is not permitted.

## 3. STEERING COMMITTEE:

The Steering Committee shall meet as many times in a year as deemed necessary at such places and times approved by the President, to conduct the approved business of the Federation and also to decide important unforeseen and urgent issues which cannot wait till convening of an Executive Board meeting. The Secretary General shall circulate the agenda for such meetings to the Members of the Steering Committee giving a minimum notice of 7 days before the date of such meeting. The minutes of these meeting shall be circulated to the Executive Board and ratified by them in their meeting.

## RULE – XI VOTING RIGHTS

- 1. At meeting of the General Council, the President, the Vice President and each accredited representative of a Member present shall have one vote each.
- 2. At the Executive Board meeting all the Office bearers and elected members present shall have one vote each. No voting by proxy shall be permitted. The President at the General Meeting and at any Meeting may have a casting vote in case of a tie. The voting may be by secret ballot if so demanded at the meeting.
- 3. The States who are not participating in at least two National Championships in a year for three consecutive years should not have the Voting Rights in any Annual General Meeting & Special General Council Meeting of the Basketball Federation of India.
- 4. Affiliated Permanent Member State/Union Territory units only will have the right of TWO votes through their representatives in the AGM/SGM Meetings of BFI. Each affiliated Permanent Member State/ Union Territory units shall be represented by Two Representatives authorized (in writing) by the President/ Hony. Secretary of the affiliated Member State/Union Territory units, in the AGM / SGM Such Representatives must be duly elected member of the Executive Committee of State/UT Association, during AGM.





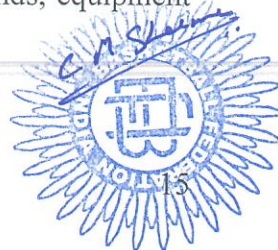
Except Executive Committee member no other person should be authorized by the state President/ Hony. Secretary for attending the AGM / SGM. (Amended on 20<sup>th</sup> November 2021)

5. Secret Ballot - Where the number of contesting candidates for any post is more than the number of posts to be filled, a election shall be taken by secret ballot for those post(s) only. In case if any vacancy falls vacant for any other reason whatsoever, can be filled in the Executive Council Meeting / Annual General Assembly Meeting, whichever is earlier, and if required the President / Secretary General so decides, the election can be held in the House itself for the vacant post. The President / Secretary General can invite nomination(s) in the House and if required, election can be conducted by the secret ballot under the supervision of President or the House may decide the name of Returning Officer. (Amended on 20<sup>th</sup> November 2021)
6. Proxy Voting - No proxy voting will be allowed. (Amended on 20<sup>th</sup> November 2021)

## RULE – XII COMMITTEE POWERS AND FUNCTIONS

### TECHNICAL COMMISSION

1. In matters purely of a technical nature connected with the conduct of the different Championships under the Federation's jurisdiction, the General Council shall delegate its powers to a separate Committee called the Technical Commission. The committee nominated every year at the Annual General Council Meeting shall comprise:
  - A. The Chairman, who shall be nominated at the Annual General Meeting synchronizing with the election of Office-bearers of the Federation once in four years.
  - B. The convener and three members nominated by the President of the Federation at the General Council Meeting.
  - C. All the five Joint Secretaries of the Federation.
  - D. Secretary General.
  - E. If situation so demands the Chairman is authorised to co-opt Members at the time of any major events like National, Federation Cup to decide any particular issue.
2. The Technical Commission shall have the following functions:
  - A. To be responsible for the entire technical work at all Championships under the Federation's jurisdiction and which are of national importance.
  - B. To draw up zones and programmes of individual games, inspect grounds, equipment etc. supervise the conduct of various games at these Championships.
  - C. To appoint officials at these Championships



- D. To take decision in all matters of technical nature not otherwise provided for.
- E. The Technical Commission shall also be responsible for the training, examination and qualification of National Referees, as well as for preparing them for main National/International Competitions for both Men's and Women's basketball. In addition, it shall be competent in all issues dealing with the practical applications of the official basketball rules.
- F. Shall appoint a working group of three/four members who are qualified International/Federation's Panel "A" Referee.
- G. To submit its report to the General Council.

#### **SELECTION COMMITTEE:**

1. The Chairman of Selection Committee shall be nominated at the General Council meeting synchronizing with the election of Office-bearers of the Federation once in four years.
2. The Selection Committee shall comprise a panel of 15 members including one convener.
3. The Members of the Selection Committee shall be nominated by the Chairman of the Selection Committee in consultation with the President.
4. The Chairman shall constitute a Committee of 5 Members in consultation with the President or nominee of the President for any specific purpose from amongst the Members of the panel nominated.
5. If circumstances demand, the Chairman, Selection Committee shall co-opt or invite any other knowledgeable person or persons to assist him in his Committee's function in consultation with the President.

### **RULE – XIII FINANCIAL**

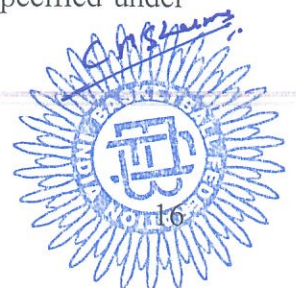
#### **BANK ACCOUNT:**

The Federation shall open in its name an account(s) with a schedule Bank(s) as may be approved by the Executive Board to be operated upon jointly by the Treasurer with either Secretary General or the President.

#### **MANAGEMENT OF FUNDS:**

All the Income of the Society shall be deposited in a Nationalized Bank. The funds of the Society shall be invested and kept in the approved modes of investment (a) Specified under Section 11 (5) or the Income Tax Act 1961.

#### **Regular Audit:**





The auditor appointed by the Management Committee and approved by the Committee shall be from reputed firm engaged in audit work of such public bodies.(Amended on 20<sup>th</sup> November 2021)

## **RULE – XIV NATIONAL COACH**

The Steering Committee at its meeting shall nominate a National Coach or Coaches for Basketball or a Principal National Coach who possesses a valid Coaching diploma of the Sports Authority of India (SAI) or any other approved Institute of a standing.

## **PART – III**

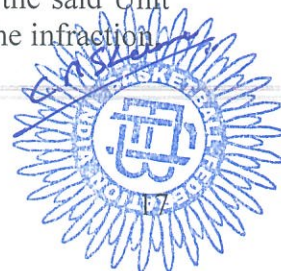
## **RULE – XV TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP**

The Executive Board shall have the power to expel a member from the Federation on the following terms and conditions:-

1. By no confidence motion passed by 2/3<sup>rd</sup> majority of votes in the General Council Meeting.
2. Non-payment of subscriptions continuously for two years from the due date.
3. On his/her written resignation.
4. On any illegal acts or harmful deeds for the Federation - If any State Unit/UT elections are held without following the due process or is arbitrary, that is without identifying each of the district units, the Secretary General of the Federation or any committee constituted by President of the Federation shall be the competent and final authority to decide the validity such election and on the membership of such State/UT with the Federation.
5. On the death of any member.
6. Any member has not attended three consecutive meetings of the Executive Board without any intimation.
7. The reasons of termination from the membership shall be communicated to the member concerned.

## **RULE – XVI GENERAL DISCIPLINARY REGULATION**

1. Violation of the existing rules cannot be excused on grounds of ignorance of the said rules.
2. Whoever incites a member Unit to commit an infraction or aids and abets the said Unit fraction shall be sanctioned in the same manner as the Unit which commits the infraction.



3. All Units of Basketball Federation of India shall undertake to supply to the BFI, copy of their respective Constitution and Rules & Regulations, a list of their respective accredited Member Units and their office bearers and Members, a copy of the Annual Report, Annual Balance-sheet and Audited Statement of Accounts, and a report of their activities, duly approved by their General Body, within six months of the closing of the financial year, along with a calendar of Sports activities for the ensuing year. Failure to supply this information within the stipulated period will constitute a disciplinary action under these rules.
4. Secretary General shall have the power to call for explanation from its member units regarding the issue where a sportsperson has been found guilty of Doping or taking a IOC prohibited substance but no action has been taken by the concerned member unit. The recommendations shall be placed before the steering body for appropriate disciplinary action.

### **RULE – XVII**

#### **SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES / CONFLICTS IN THE STATES/UNITS**

1. All State Associations/ Units affiliated to BFI shall include in their Constitution a provision that they would have all unresolved disputes settled by the BFI and their Members shall voluntarily surrender their right of seeking redress in any Court of Law.
2. Every member shall be deemed to continue its membership of BFI on the specific condition that it voluntarily surrenders its right of seeking redress in any Court of Law.
3. All unresolved disputes arising within the State Associations/Units affiliated to the BFI, shall be referred by the State Association/Units to the BFI for settlement by the BFI. For this purpose, on the recommendation of the Secretary General, the Steering Committee shall depute three members committee to resolve the issue. The arbitration proceedings shall be completed within the period specified by the Steering Committee, which can be extended by the President if required.
4. In the event of an unresolved dispute within an affiliated State/ Unit of the BFI, which is referred to the BFI by a Member, and which affects normal working of the State/ Unit or prevents preparation and training of the Sport/ team under the charge of the State/Unit for the purpose of International representation/ competition, the BFI Executive board will constitute an ad-hoc body from within the Members of the General Council, as may be necessary until the dispute within the State/ Unit is resolved.
5. All disputes between State Associations and the BFI, or within the BFI itself, will be dealt within the same manner as laid down in (3) above.

### **RULE-XVIII**

#### **DISCIPLINARY SANCTIONS**

The BFI members States/Units are liable to the following disciplinary sanctions:

1. Caution
2. Warning
3. Suspension for a specified period





4. Expulsion from the BFI

Note:

1. No penalty shall be imposed before the States/Units at fault has been heard at the Interrogation specially conduct for this purpose.
2. Should an affiliate State/Unit fail to present itself through its accredited office bearer at the interrogation, it shall be considered as having been interrogated.
3. As a General Rule, except in special circumstances duly appreciate, suspension shall be applied as a temporary measure.
4. Disciplinary sanction will not be taken unless supported by two-third of the General Council Members present and voting.

**RULE – XIX**  
**RESIDUAL POWERS**

In the event of disagreement concerning the above Disciplinary Rules, the interpretation of these regulations shall fall within the competence of the BFI Executive Board, which shall be the final authority.

**APPEAL:**

All the appeals should be referred to the General Council of the Federation. The decisions of the General Council shall be final on the recommendation of the Steering Committee, which will function as the appeal committee to be constituted by the Federation. The Appeal committee should have following functions.

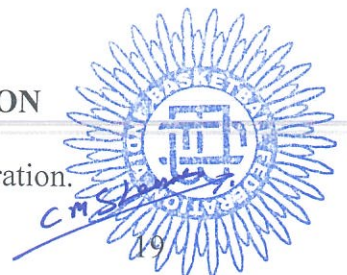
1. To hear and decide on appeals filed by an affected party against decision of BFI, including its organs and disciplinary bodies, unless such an appeal is expressly excluded in these General Bye – Laws or the Internal Regulations.
2. To prepare in consultation with the Legal Matters and Eligibility Committee the Regulations governing Appeals for approval by the General Council /Executive Board.
3. To consult with and to suggest to the Legal Matters and Eligibility Committee any amendments to these General Bye – Laws and the Internal Regulations.

**READMISSION:**

In case of member is expelled by the General Council, the same can be readmitted, provided the member concerned paying all up to date dues. The decision of the General Council shall be final. This clause is applicable to the only clause 3(b).

**RULE – XX**  
**RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE MEMBERS OF THE FEDERATION**

1. All Members shall abide by the Constitution, rules and decisions of the Federation.



2. Each member shall direct its own activity, conduct its competitions and control the game of Basketball in areas within its jurisdiction in accordance with the rules and Principles of the Federation.
3. Any penalty imposed by the Federation on any of its Members shall be honoured by all other Members.
4. **NOTE:** Members thus penalized shall have the privilege of appeal to the Executive Committee of the Federation.

### RULE – XXI REGISTRATION AND TRANSFERS

1. Every player shall be registered annually with the affiliated unit of the Federation under whose jurisdiction he/she has had continuous residency for a period of not less than six months preceding the date of his/her registration. Exception may be given and residential qualification relaxed if the Federation is satisfied that such an exception or relaxation is conducive to the progress of the game in the country.
2. Participation of Services, Railways, Border Security Force and Central Reserve Police Force in All-India Tournaments shall be restricted to only individual Units if Army, Navy, Air Force, Railways, BSF or CRPF. Provided the concerned Unit takes prior written permission from the State Basketball Association in whose jurisdiction the Unit is registered/Affiliated or stationed.
3. For representing a Unit the concerned Player(s) should have six clear months residential qualification.
4. In the event of exigencies, if a Services, Railways, BSF or CRPF Player is transferred to a new Unit, the subject Player can represent only his original unit.  
**NOTE:** Approved by the General Council of BFI recorded in the minutes of March 16th, 1981.
5. In the event the organisers of any All-India Tournament allowing participation of any Army, Navy, Air Force, Railways, BSF or CRPF Unit without the written permission of the concerned State Basketball Association in whose jurisdiction the Unit is affiliated or registered, the organizer shall not, in future years, be given the sanction for conduct of All-India or other major tournaments.
6. Relevant to participation of players in National Championship and other National events, it was decided that no player shall enjoy dual registration at any time of the year subject to the provision of fulfilling the six months residential qualification.
7. A player employed in Army, Navy, Air Force, Railways, BSF, CRPF or similar Units affiliated with the respective State Basketball Associations shall be allowed participation in the National Championships only as stipulated below.
  - A. In the case of players belonging to Army, Navy, Air Force, they are permitted to represent the Services Team in National Championship and other National Events such





as Pre-Asian or Federation Cup, provided Services team are an invitee by virtue of qualification based on their performance in the last conducted National Championship.

- B. In the case of Players employed in Railways Units, they are permitted to represent the Indian Railways Team in the National Championship and other National Events such as Pre-Asian or Federation Cup, provided the Railways team are an invitee by virtue of qualification based on their performance in the last conducted National Championship.
- C. In the case of players of BSF, CRPF and similar Units, they are allowed to represent a State in the National Championship, Pre-Asian Championship, Zonal/ Inter-Zonal and All-India Tournaments where their individual Unit is registered or affiliated. This in effect, also clarifies the point that a player who is employed in a Unit of one area in a State is not permitted to represent another State or Unit violating the rule of residential qualification.
- D. Since the Services and Railways are not participants in Zonal and Inter-Zonal Championships, bonafide players in the employ of Services and Railways are allowed to represent a State in which they are duly registered through their Unit affiliated with the concerned State Basketball Association.
- E. It is also emphasized that no player, at any point of time, is permitted to register himself/herself with more than one State Association. However, he/she may be allowed one Inter-State Transfer in a year. This transfer is effective only after his/ her fulfilling the obligatory provision of six months residential qualification.

## **RULE \_ XXII**

### **CONDITIONS OF ELIGIBILITY**

Only persons who are bonafide citizens of India according the Constitution of India in possession of a valid Indian passport, can represent the country in competitions conducted within the country or outside the country. Club teams, State teams or other mixed Basketball teams participating in Basketball games outside the country shall Obtain a clearance from the Federation before they leave the country for such participation.

## **RULE – XXIII**

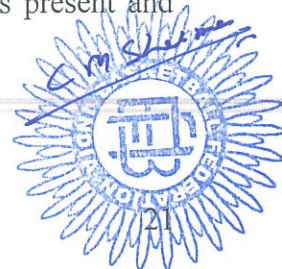
### **INDEMNITY**

Every Office bearer of the Federation shall be indemnified out of the B.F.I funds against all Losses and expenses incurred in the discharge of his legitimate duties except such as shall happen through his own willful act or default.

## **RULE – XXIV**

### **AMENDMENT OF RULES AND REGULATIONS**

No amendment shall be made to these Rules and Regulations except at the Special meeting of the General Council and unless supported by two-thirds of the representatives present and voting.



All proposed amendments must be presented to the Secretary General at the least six weeks before the meeting and forwarded by him to every member at least fourteen days before the meeting.

**Rule XXV**  
**DISSOLUTION**

If upon a winding up or dissolution of the Federation, there shall remain, after satisfaction of all its debts and liabilities and property whatsoever, the same shall not be paid to or distributed among the Members of the Federation but shall be given or transferred to some other organisation or organisations having objects similar to the objects of the Federation, to be determined by the Members of the Federation at or before the time of dissolution, and in default thereof by such judge of the High Court as may have or acquire jurisdiction in the matter and if and so far as aforesaid provision, then to some charitable object

**RULE – XXVI**  
**ANNUAL LIST OF MANAGING/GOVERNING BODY (SECTION OF ACT)**

Once in every year a list of the Office bearers and members of the governing body of the Federation shall be filed with the Registrar of Societies, Delhi as required under Section 4 of the Federations Registration Act 1860.

The Governing Body shall consist of all member and office bearers as under:-

PRESIDENT	ONE
VICE PRESIDENT	SEVEN
SECRETARY GENERAL	ONE
JOINT SECRETARY	FIVE
TREASURER	ONE
MEMBER EXECUTIVE BOARD	ELEVEN
CHAIRMAN TECHNICAL COMMISSSION	ONE
CHAIRMAN SELECTION COMMISSSION	ONE

**RULE – XXVII**  
**LEGAL PROCEEDINGS (SECTION 6 OF THE ACT)**

The Federation may sue or be sued in the name of the President/Hon. Secretary General as per provisions laid down under Section 6 of the Federation Registration Act 1860, as applicable to the Union Territory of Delhi.

**RULE – XXVIII**  
**APPLICATION OF THE ACT**





All the provisions under all the sections of the Society Registration Act 1860, as applicable to the Union Territory of Delhi shall apply to the Federation.

**RULE – XXIX**  
**FORMATION OF COMMITTEES OR GROUPS**

On the recommendation of Secretary General, the Executive Board may appoint other committees of expert groups. Committees or groups thus appointed shall be of a temporary nature until the decision by the General Council gives them permanent status or until they cease to exist, their task being completed.

**RULE – XXX**  
**FLAG OF FEDERATION**

The colours, flag and insignia of Basketball Federation of India, and the use thereof, shall be approved by the Executive Board.

The use of Flag and insignia of Basketball Federation Of India shall be restricted to main official competitions and meetings of Basketball Federation of India unless written approval has been obtained from the Secretary General.

The use of Flag and insignia of Basketball Federation of India is mandatory at all main official competitions.

**RULE – XXXI**  
**BFI's HALL OF FAME**

Basketball Federation of India may establish a hall of fame to honour those persons having contributed in an exceptional way to the development and promotion of Basketball in India.

The Executive Board shall lay down the necessary regulation and supervise activities of the hall of fame.

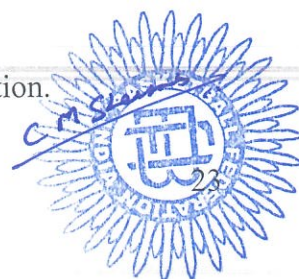
**RULE – XXXII**  
**BFI SECRETARIAT**

The Secretariat of Basketball Federation Of India shall consist of Secretary General and the staff of the Secretariat. Secretary General in consultation with President shall appoint persons as per requirement of the Secretariat.

All the members Secretariat shall remain in the office until their contract expires. Their contracts shall be in accordance with the legislation of the place of the Secretariat Headquarters. The Secretary General shall manage the Secretariat and assume all responsibilities for it.

**RULE – XXXIII**  
**ESSENTIAL CERTIFICATE**

Certified that this is the correct copy of Rules and Regulations of the Federation.



## **RULE – XXXIV**

(Amended on 20<sup>th</sup> November 2021)

### **GRIEVANCE REDRESSAL MECHANISM FOR ATHLETES**

One of the Executive Council Member of BFI will head the Complaint redressal committee. The President BFI will nominate the Chairman, Convener and three other members of this Committee in consultation with Executive Council. Any Complaint / Grievance will be lodged with the Secretary General BFI, who will place the same before the Committee for a final decision within four (4) weeks of receipt of the complaint.

## **RULE – XXXV**

.(Amended on 20<sup>th</sup> November 2021)

### **PREVENTION OF AGE FRAUD, SEXUAL HARASSMENT OF WOMEN AND ANTI DOPING MEASURES**

#### **COMMITTEE AGAINST SEXUAL HARASSMENT:**

The Committee against Sexual Harassment will be headed by one of the eminent former women International player, four other members including Chairman will be nominated by the President, in consultation with the Executive Council. Out of the four, one will be an eminent women Athlete or eminent women Coach. (i) Any complaint / grievance lodged with BFI's Secretary General, will be placed by him before the Committee for a final decision within four (4) weeks of receipt of the complaint. (ii) The Committee shall address complaints in a time bound manner and take appropriate disciplinary action in case of misconduct and where conduct in the complaint amounts to a specific offence under Indian Penal Code or any other law, the Federation will take steps to initiate appropriate legal proceedings.

#### **Age Fraud Committee -**

The Basketball federation of India follows the below mentioned criteria for prevention of Age Fraud: -

1. Forged documents found by the Committee are thoroughly investigated and many times Police verification is also done, along with On-line verification. Personal and Parents Aadhar Cards as well as Original DOB's are to be brought for inceptions.
2. The Basketball federation of India has constituted an age fraud committee who along with Team of Doctors are present at every National Championship (Sub-Juniors, Youth & Juniors).
3. The Doctors present at the venue of the Championship send all the doubtful cases for X Ray Examination (PBH, Elbow, Wrist, Chest & Knee) after initial Dental examination.
4. Any player found over age or cheating is not permitted to take part in the said Championship.
5. The Reports of Age Verification Committee of Previous years National Championship are posted on BFI Website.

#### **Anti-Doping Measures -**

The BFI forbids doping. The athletes who participate in competitions undertake to respect the anti-doping Rules, use neither prohibited substances nor prohibited methods. The updated List of Prohibited Substances of WADA & NADA is uploaded on the website.

