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European North Basketball League

Season 2022/2023

STATUTES

1. GOALS AND TASKS

1. To strengthen the development of the men's basketball.
2. To give a chance for the teams to compete, while preparing for the National Championships, the Euro Basket, the FIBA World Championship and the Olympic Games.
3. To develop basketball in the ENBL (European North Basketball league) member countries – Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Latvia, Lithuania, Sweden, Ukraine and other places in the Europe.
4. To share experience for sports and educational purposes.
5. To develop international relations.
6. To determine the best team in European North Basketball league.

2. ORGANIZATION

1. ENBL competitions are organized and managed by the ENBL board, led by the ENBL president and Secretary General.
 - 1.1. ENBL front office is located in Riga.
 - 1.2. ENBL contact information: Terbatas street 83b, Riga, LV-1001, Latvia, phone: +371 20 60 60 17; +371 29 64 00 11, e-mail: enbl@enbleague.eu; www.enbleague.eu
 - 1.3. ENBL competitions are organized according to the official FIBA basketball rules and any other currently approved FIBA annexes, rules and ethical documents related to basketball.
 - 1.4. ENBL board will be represented of each club's one member from the first 16 teams who will participate in 2022/23 season.
 - 1.5. All decisions for ENBL future are going to be decided in ENBL board with club representatives (from point 1.4.).
2. Every team must organize the home stage and the playoff home game(s), unless the clubs home playing arena is located further then 1500 KM from ENBL office in Riga, Latvia. In this case ENBL will organize the stage or playoff games.
3. Every stage and home game must be organized according to the rules, as explained in Annex No.1., Annex No.2., Annex No.3.
4. Every team must ensure participation of one referee in every stage that the team is participating, also in every playoff game that the team is playing. The third referee will be ensured by ENBL head referee Oskars Lucis oskars.lucis@enbleague.eu
 - 4.1. A referee must possess a valid National championship license and must be registered in a FIBA database.

5. Organizers of every home game must ensure necessary administrative personnel and staff.
 - 5.1. Home games organizers must assign the game secretariat, including 24 second official, table officials and announcer (6-8 persons).
 - 5.2. Organizers of home games guarantee internet connection, to provide live stats (online) and live video streaming broadcast.
 - 5.3. Home games organizer is responsible for the publication of game statistics in the www.enbleague.eu website, while using FIBA Live Stats program.
 - 5.4. Organizers of home games send complete game statistics (LOG file and PDF) to the following e-mail: web@enbleague.eu
 - 5.5. ENBL must provide the access to FIBA Live Stats program for every club/team.
 - 5.6. The home stages and playoff game organizers must follow Annex No.3 for all the marketing activities in arena (banner placement, sponsors product placement etc.)
6. Any costs relating to organization of the respective home stage will be charged to the organizer, including accommodation, catering and transportation from the hotel to the gym.
7. Organizers of the home stage and playoffs games must cover accommodation for up to 18 persons in every delegation (17 team members + 1 referee).
8. Transportation costs to and from the stages, playoffs and Final Four games are covered by the visiting team itself.
9. Home stage, playoffs and Final Four organizers cover accommodation, catering costs and transport for the ENBL members. In every stage up to 6 persons, in playoff games up to 4 persons. In Final Four up to 8 persons.
10. Home stage organizers keep the rights for ticket incomes (Annex No.3)
11. The hosting club is responsible for the safety of players, referees, commissioner, ENBL representatives, table officials, coaches, and other employees during the home game and in a time slot of one (1) hour until the beginning of the game and one hour after the end of it. To accomplish this function, the hosts ensure the presence of a qualified security guard team.
12. The home club ensures civil liability for acts or omissions that could result in damage to the life and health of a third party during the event, damage to the property of a third party, or loss of third-party property.
13. Each club is responsible to provide nationally registered doctor/medical personnel (physiotherapist profession) at the game. In case of serious accidents where the club's certified medical staff cannot help, hosting Club is obliged to call medical emergency services and ensure their access to the venue. ENBL does not take responsibility for accidents or injuries during the games.
13. Home stage organizers shall provide shows, entertainment, DJ and music. (Annex No.3)
14. During the game it is not allowed to make photos or videos without a permission from ENBL and/or club. Media passes must be approved with home team and/or ENBL. (Media seats and press conference rules Annex No.3)

3. LOCATION AND TIME

1. ENBL season will start in 1st of November 2022 and will continue until 6th of April 2023 according to official schedule.
3. Regular season will happen from 01.11.2022 until 01.02.2023.
4. Playoff games will happen from 01.02.2023 until 13.03.2023.
5. Final 4 will happen 5.– 6. of April 2023.
6. Game days and the length of the season might be changed if the ENBL board decides so, while informing the teams in advance.

4. PARTICIPANTS

1. ENBL 2022/2023 regular season will have 16 teams or more.
2. Teams can participate in the 2022/2023 season if they fulfill all obligations mentioned in these Statutes.
3. Depending on the amount of the participating teams, number of teams from the same country might get limited by ENBL.
4. In ENBL tournament every team can include only by local championship licensed national and foreign players in their ENBL roster list.
5. Disqualified coaches, players or any club members cannot participate in the next ENBL game. For other sanctions ENBL Ethical Technical commission can decide separately.
6. The club/team may register new players until 1st February 2023.
7. ENBL may renounce the participation of team in the next season if it has not followed ENBL Statutes or has unfulfilled financial obligations with ENBL.
8. All teams are allowed to play in uniforms from their local National Championships. The playing uniforms must be by the Official Basketball Rules. The home team has an advantage to play in their main color uniforms. If otherwise - the teams must agree directly with each other in what color uniforms the game is going to be played in. Coaches and assistant Coaches must be formally dressed during games.

5. COMPETITION FORMAT

1. The regular season, playoff and Final Four schedule will be made taking into consideration National Tournaments, Venue availabilities and terms with TV/Internet provider. In Force Majeure (unforeseeable circumstances) there can be made changes in competition format.
2. ENBL guarantees for each team seven (7) regular season games + two playoff games during the 2022/2023 season (if club/team fulfills all obligations as explained in the ENBL statutes).
3. Four best teams from playoffs will qualify for the Final Four tournament.
4. The home stages and playoffs will be held for three (3) or two (2) days' time included arrival day.
5. If team does not participate (refuses to participate) in any of the ENBL game, it receives 0 points.
6. The teams that participate in Final Four will be measured by playoff game results, +/- system.

6. THE FINAL FOUR (SUPERFINAL)

1. Final Four organized by the one of the teams that will be one of the best 4 teams after playoffs results. If the team is organizing the Final Four, it should cover all the costs for Final Four stage as mentioned in these statutes.
2. If nobody from the best four (4) teams is not willing to organize Final Four then it will be organized by ENBL and each participation team needs to pay all costs for themselves in Final Four.
2. In Final Four will participate teams that will have the best results after playoff games, +/- system.
3. Playing system in the Final Four: Semifinals in Day One:
Game A: winners of the pairs A1/B4 and B2/A3;
Game B: winners of the pairs A2/B3 and B1/A4;
Finals in Day Two:
Game C: losing teams of the games A and B
Game D: winning teams of the games A and B
4. The games in each day can be changed other way around by the ENBL board, considering the home team benefits, audience availability broadcast times or other reasons that will be good for the leagues Final Four.
5. The winner of the Final Four is titled as THE CHAMPIONS OF ENBL SEASON 2022/2023.

7. AWARDS

1. The best player will be awarded from each team after every game in regular season.
2. Organizers may add another individual or team prizes.
3. The Final Four organizers will award the teams with individual and team prizes.
4. ENBL will guarantee the following awards: The Champions cup (on year-to-year traveling basis), cups for the first, second and third place winners, gold, silver and bronze medals (18 medals in each category), prizes for the All-Star team and the Most Valuable Player.
5. ENBL champions will receive EUR 10000, silver medalist's EUR 5000, bronze medalists 3000 EUR, fourth placed team EUR 2000. This money will be considered as part of participation payment for the team for ENBL season 2023/2024 or send to club after receiving from club participation payment for the team for ENBL season 2023/2024.

8. REGISTRATION AND DEADLINES

1. The official letter from the club about participating in the 2022/2023 season must be received **by July 1st, via e-mail: enbl@enbleague.eu** letter must guarantee team participation and possibility to comply the rules of the financial conditions.
2. The official list of players, coaches and managers, as well as player photos and team logos must be received **15th September 2022, via e-mail: enbl@enbleague.eu**
3. The official list of players includes up to 20 players, including their Year of Birth, height and jersey numbers and the playing position.
4. Every team can register maximum of 4 players that are born in year 2002 or after (2003; 2004; 2005, etc.).
5. The official list of players and accompanying personnel for every game is 17 team members + 1 referee. That must be submitted to the stage organizers ten (10) days before the game.
6. Any change in the official list of players is considered as being "final" three (3) working days before the start of game.

9. FINANCES

1. Participation/Membership fee for a season **EUR 15000** (EUR 14000 – participation costs, **EUR 1000** – membership fee).
2. For the team that has paid the participation payment EUR 14000 to the league, but for any reasons cancels the participation for the season up to two months before the first stage – the organizers will refund 50% of the participation payment.
3. For the team that has paid the participation payment EUR 14000 to the league, but for any reasons cancels the participation for the season less than two months before the first stage – the organizers will not refund participation payment.
4. Each participation team need to pay to the ENBL seasonal membership fee of EUR 1000.
5. Payment for a new players license after the regular season is EUR 500 and the player can participate only when the payment is done.
6. The Participation/Membership fee of EUR 15000 must be received **by 15th of August**.
7. If team arrives to the regular seasons stage without a referee, team must pay EUR 500 for every stage game to the ENBL, the payment must be paid before the game.
8. If team arrives to the playoffs and Final Four games without a referee, team must pay for every game EUR 700 to the ENBL, the payment must be paid before the game.
9. All neutral referee get paid (home game, playoffs or Final Four organization team) EUR 250 for regular seasons game, EUR 300 for playoffs game and EUR 350 for Final Four game.

10. ENBL will pay bonus to the club **EUR 2000** for every organized home game in regular season, if it will be organized by the regulations and the Annex No1., No2., No3.

11. If the team chooses to organize The Final Four – the team is responsible of all the costs in organizing The Final Four stage.

12. From the participation membership fees are covered all the ENBL administrative costs.

13. If team for any reason is not arriving and participating in any ENBL seasons game – will be disqualified and will not be able to participate in ENBL further games and will not get back Participation/Membership fee.

14. If any team does not fulfill financial provisions, it cannot compete in ENBL competition and can be disqualified.

15. Teams who play in first three seasons (2021/22; 2022/23 and 2023/24) in ENBL will never be obligated to pay **EUR 1000** – membership fee for upcoming season and always will be free entrance fee in ENBL.

16. If teams cannot organize the stages due to pandemic or the whole league is cancelled (Force Majeure), all teams will receive EUR 2000 participation costs for each game in regular season that was cancel.

10. DISPUTES

1. Any dispute arising from these Statutes, every team/club has a right to inform the ENBL, by sending a written letter.

2. ENBL board must answer every official letter in 30 days after receiving it.

3. Every other situation not written in these Statutes will be settled by the ENBL Board or Ethical Technical competition committee. The Commission deals with all the complaints related to the game situations and out of the court situations that are unacceptable to ENBL, also the situations which are not regulated by Official FIBA Rules. The commission can decide and assess game related situations and issue fines even if there are no complaints from the involved parties.

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