

Basketball Australia Communications and Public Announcements Policy

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STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The purpose of this Communications and Public Announcements Policy (**Policy**) is to ensure that information that could affect the performance of participants in Games or the outcome of a Game itself is either kept confidential or communicated to the public in an open and transparent way, maintaining a fair and open platform for betting purposes.

This policy does not prevent the Clubs or BA from publishing further communications such as media releases and articles after the official announcements required in this policy have been made.

1. INTERPRETATION

1.1 Definitions

BA means Basketball Australia

BA Officer means the head statistician at each Game.

BA Website means the official Basketball Australia website, www.basketball.net.au.

Club means an NBL Club or a WNBL Club.

Game means an official BA endorsed basketball game.

Relevant Website means www.nbl.com.au if the information relates to an NBL team or www.wnbl.com.au if the information relates to a WNBL team or www.basketball.net.au if the information relates to any other type of information.

Tip Off means the scheduled start of a Game.

2. TEAM COMPOSITION

- 2.1 Final team lists setting out the final composition of a team must be submitted to the BA Officer at every Game at least 15 minutes before Tip Off.
- 2.2 After receiving final team lists, the BA Officer must ensure that the final team list is published on the Internet via FIBA Live Stats.
- 2.3 No change can be made to the composition of a team at any Game after final team lists have been provided to the BA Officer in accordance with clause 2.1.

3. INJURY AND ILLNESS

- 3.1 BA must publish on the Relevant Website an injury update before each round of Games. BA must contact each of the Clubs before publishing this update and request updated information relating to injured players.
- 3.2 Where BA becomes aware of further player injuries or illnesses subsequent to the publication of the update referred to in clause 3.1 above, BA must publish details of such injuries or illnesses on the Relevant Website as soon as practically possible.
- 3.3 Any information regarding whether a player is suffering from an injury or illness that has not been published by BA on the Relevant Website must be kept confidential by any Club, player, or person associated with a Club, who is aware of the information.
- 3.4 Where a Club is unable to keep information relating to a player's injuries or illness confidential, a Club must disclose this information to BA for the purposes of clause 3.1 and clause 3.2.
- 3.5 Injury updates published by BA pursuant to clause 3.1 and 3.2 will (based on the information provided to BA) contain information about any player whose performance in a Game may be affected by the injury or other illness.

4. TRANSACTIONS

- 4.1 Clubs must keep all player transactions confidential until a formal public announcement has been made by the Club.
- 4.2 At the same time as making a public announcement regarding a player transaction, Clubs must notify BA of the player transaction.
- 4.3 As soon as possible after a Club has made a public announcement regarding a player transaction, BA must publish details of the transaction in the Transaction Tracker section of the Relevant Website.

5. COACHES

- 5.1 Clubs must keep coach transactions confidential until a formal public announcement has been made publicising the details of the transaction.
- 5.2 At the same time as making a public announcement regarding a coach transaction, Clubs must notify BA of the coach transaction.
- 5.3 BA must publish any transactions it becomes aware of relating to coaches by updating the Club's roster on the Relevant Website.

6. COMMUNICATION OF RESULTS TO BETTING MARKET

- 6.1 The BA Officer must upload the final, official results of each Game to FIBA Organiser as soon as practical after the conclusion of a Game, enabling the final score to be publicly available via the Internet.
- 6.2 BA must publish the final and official results of each Game on the Relevant Website as soon as practical after the conclusion of a Game.