# WOMEN'S BALTIC BASKETBALL LEAGUE COMPETITION REGULATIONS 2025-26 SEASON

#### 1. Introduction

- 1.1 These Competition Regulations shall govern the Open MLKL, Women's Baltic Basketball League 2025-26, along with any other rules, regulations, manuals, circulars and decisions referenced to herein or adopted by the Board of the Women's Baltic Basketball League.
- 1.2 These Competition Regulations enter into force on 25 of August 2025. They may be amended by the organiser from time to time, in which case the changes will be communicated to the Clubs concerned without undue delay.
- 1.3 For administrative purposes, all communication arising from or in relation to the Women's Baltic Basketball League and these Competition Regulations shall be in English.
- 1.4 These Competition Regulations apply equally to both genders, and all references in this text to one gender (he, his etc.) shall be considered to apply also to the other gender (e.g. she, her etc.) and shall be read accordingly.
- 1.5 At the end of regular season, all Women's Baltic Basketball League teams compete in WBBL quarterfinals and final four for WBBL cup. All Lithuanian teams compete in Lithuanian basketball league quarterfinals and finals for Lithuanian cup.
- 1.6. All regulations that are disscussed in this document are apply for both WBBL and Open MLKL leagues.

#### 2. Definitions

- 2.1 Admission Form The form for a Club's participation.
- 2.2 Club(s) Any and all clubs participating in the Open MLKL and WBBL.
- 2.3 Club Official(s) The Clubs' players, coaches, assistant coaches and other accompanying team delegation members (manager, doctor, physiotherapist, statistician, Club mascots etc.), any accredited members of a Club's delegation or any person linked (whether legally or de facto) with a Club.
- 2.4 NF National Federation.
- 2.5 Player (s) Any and all players registered with a Club at any time between 1 Septembet 2025 and the end of team's last game of regular season.
- 2.6 WBBL Women's Baltic Basketball League.
- 2.7 Open MLKL Open Lithuanian Women's Basketball League.

### 3. Clubs

3.1. Participation

- 3.1.1 The Organiser shall determine the number of clubs per country that are entitled to participate in the Open MLKL and WBBL.
- 3.1.2 The primary criterion for participation in the Open MLKL and WBBL are the sporting results of clubs in their domestic competitions, as decided by the Organiser.
- 3.1.3 The Organiser may grant access to the Open MLKL and WBBL through the attribution of invitations to the Regular Season.
- 3.1.4 In order to participate in the Open MLKL and WBBL, a club shall:
- a) Have earned the right to participate in Open MLKL/ WBBL through
- i) its sporting results in the domestic competitions or;
- ii) an invitation;
- b) Have the right to use a basketball hall which
- i) meets the requirements of the FIBA Official Basketball Rules (including the rules on Basketball Equipment Level 1, elite competitions) and of the Open MLKL and WBBL Regulations;
- 3.2 Admission Process
- 3.2.1 The Organiser will send to the Club Official the documentation that is necessary for its clubs to be registered in the Open MLKL and WBBL.
- 3.2.2 The Clubs shall ensure that the Admission Form, reaches the offices of the Organiser by email before midnight on 5 August, 2025. All other necessary documentation and information must reach the Organiser by email before given deadline.
- 3.2.3. the Club information form, including information of the venue address, contacting person, a digital copy of the Club's logo and any other documents required by the Organiser.
- 3.2.4 For Division A clubs the registration fee of 1000 EU will be transferred by the given deadline. For Division B clubs the registration fee of 300 EU will be transferred by the given deadline.
- 3.2.4.1 The registration fee will not be reimbursed to the club, if the club withdraws or forfeits after having registered. In such a case the FIBA Europe Regulations for Club Competitions, Articles 55 to 58 will be applied in full.
- 3.2.4.2 A good copy of bank transfer and identification details in English must be transfered no later that 1st of September. The amount must be credited to WBBL bank account: Women's Baltic Basketball League, LT554010051005852968. Address: Danes str. 47, Klaipeda, Lithuania. Registration code: 306662184.
- 3.3 Non-admission
- 3.3.1 The Organiser has the right to not admit to the Open MLKL and WBBL a club that would be entitled to participate in the Open MLKL or WBBL, if

- i) in the Organiser's reasonable opinion, the club does not fulfil or will not be able to fulfil during the season all requirements provided for in these Competition Regulations; or
- ii) the club is not in good financial standing with the Organiser; or
- c) the club is subject to a ban from participating in international competitions.
- 3.4 Withdrawal
- 3.4.1 If a Club that has signed an Admission Form withdraws from the Open MLKL and WBBL, it shall pay to the Organiser within seven (7) days from the latter's written notice an amount of liquidated damages calculated based on the time of withdrawal:
- i) from 25 August, 2025 until the the first game of Regular Season, an amount equal to the Championship participation fee, unless otherwise agreed between the Club and the Organiser in writing;
- ii) between the first game of the Regular Season and the end of the final game of the Play-Offs, an amount equal to double of Championship participation fee, unless otherwise agreed between the Club and the Organiser in writing;

# 4. Players

- 4.1 Players' Eligibility
- 4.1.1 The Club is responsible for the eligibility of the Club's Players at all times and will bear the consequences of any infractions of the WBBL Regulations or of the FIBA Internal Regulations governing Eligibility, the National Status, the International Transfer and the Age of Players.
- 4.2 Club Delegation Roster
- 4.2.1 The Club must register a minimum of twelve (12) Players by no later than 12 September 2025. The request for Players' registration, accompanied by all necessary individual documents and forms should be submitted to the Organiser by email.
- 4.2.2 The Final Club Delegation Roster shall contain a minimum of twelve (12) Players and a maximum of eighteen (18) Players. The Final Club Delegation Roster shall contain a minimum of five (5) Home Grown Players during the entire Open MLKL/WBBL season.
- 4.2.3 The Organiser may require also the Club's coaches and other accompanying team delegation members to register within the same deadlines as Players.
- 4.3 Changes of Players
- 4.3.1 Any changes should be made by the Club and its NF. When submitting the request to the NF, the Club should send a copy to the Organiser.
- 4.3.2 Any of the additions/replacements to the Roster must be finalised, i.e. the necessary documentation must have been received by the Organiser, by no later of two days before the game.

- 4.3.3 Any changes of roster and additional transfers of players can be made no later than the end of the team's last game of regular season.
- 4.4 Playing uniforms
- 4.4.1 The playing uniforms must conform to the FIBA Official Basketball Rules.
- 4.4.2 The hosting Club's team shall wear its preferred uniform colour, for which must inform the Organiser by no later than the 12 th of September.
- 4.4.3 In case the preferred uniform for home games is of a light colour, the visiting Club's team shall wear a game uniform with dark colour. In case the preferred uniform for home games is of a dark colour, the visiting Club's team shall wear a game uniform with light colour.
- 4.4.4 Undergarments permitted under the Official Basketball Rules could be white, black or of the dominant uniform colour, but in any event of the same colour for all players of the team during the entire game. Playing socks must be of the same solid colour for all players and each player must wear identical playing shoes on both feet.
- 4.4.5 When introduced at the start of a game, all Players of the same Club must be uniformly dressed (all with track suits, all without track suits, etc.).
- 4.4.6 Players may only wear the uniform of the Club.
- 4.4.7 Coaches and assistant coaches must be formally dressed during games or with Club's uniform.

#### 5. Duties of the referees

- 5.1 The Referees shall conduct the game in accordance with the Official Basketball Rules and the official FIBA interpretations of these rules.
- 5.2 Referee committee:
- 5.2.1 Referee committe shall combine of one referee of each participating country. The hosting club's head referee is responsible for nominating referees for the game.
- 5.2.2 Referee Committee with Open MLKL/ WBBL appointed head referee shall be responsible for establishing and maintaining an appropriate system of officiating for Open MLKL/ WBBL.
- 5.2.3 The hosting club's head referee shall nominate three (3) Referees for each home game of the Open MLKL/ WBBL.
- 5.2.4 The appointed Head referee of Open MLKL/ WBBL is responsible for ensuring adequate communication with all head referees from participating countries and assigning referees.

# 6. Game organization

6.1 The basketball hall of the game shall be the one registered with the Organiser before the start of the season.

- 6.2 If the game is to take place in a basketball hall other than the one registered with the Organiser, the hosting Club must send this information immediately by email to the visiting Club, after having received the approval by the Organiser and the Referees.
- 6.3 All games of the Open MLKL/ WBBL will be played in accordance with the FIBA Official Basketball Rules in force at the time of the game.
- 6.4 The hosting Club shall ensure that all technical equipment conforms to the applicable rules and it is available at the Venue in good working order.
- 6.5 The hosting Club shall cover all officiating fees for the Referees. the accommodation and travel expenses if needed.
- 6.7 Locker rooms for referees shall be equipped with showers and be lockable. Female and male referees shall have separate facilities. The locker room shall be tidied up regularly. Refreshments and fruits shall be made available.
- 6.8 Additional personnel
- 6.8.1 Each hosting Club is responsible for providing medical specialist at each game. The medical specialist must identify themselves to the visiting Club before the game and inform the Club representative where they can be easily located.
- 6.8.2 Personnel must be available to dry wet spots which may occur on the court during the game. They should kneel or sit during the game so as not to obstruct the cameras and/or referees.
- 6.9 Statistics and scoresheets
- 6.9.1 For all games of the Open MLKL/ WBBL, the official GENIUS statistics software must be used.
- 6.9.2 During the game, the score and statistical data has to be sent LIVE to the Organiser's official website in real time.
- 6.9.3 Immediately after the end of the game the results, statistics files, scoresheet of the game must be sent to the Organiser also via email to <a href="martyna@mlkl.lt">martyna@mlkl.lt</a>.
- 6.9.4 The hosting Club must broadcast game LIVE on WBBL YouTube channel/TV6/TV3.lt as will be decided and announced by the organizer.

#### 7. Communication

- 7.1 Clubs must maintain an active website that regularly provides current and updated information about the club, posts news related to the club and/or the Open MLKL/ WBBL, and more.
- 7.2 Clubs must include a link to the official WBBL website on their websites. In articles and news mentioning Open MLKL/ WBBL, clubs must use the official name of the current championship.
- 7.3 Teams participating in the Open MLKL/ WBBL championship are obligated to announce information about upcoming or completed matches on their social media channels.

- 7.4 During Open MLKL/ WBBL matches, the host team must ensure that match photographs are taken and shared with the administration of the league.
- 7.5 Teams participating in the Open MLKL/ WBBL championship are required to have a photographer for their home games, responsible for capturing all moments from the beginning to the end of the match.
- 7.6 Photos must be sent: the first batch during the halftime break, and the remaining photos within an hour after the end of the match.
- 7.7 Players from participating teams are required to provide interviews to a WBBL-designated representative as needed, either before, during, or after Open MLKL/ WBBL matches.
- 7.8 Without a separate agreement, MLKL/ WBBL may use visual and textual information from the clubs' websites for non-commercial purposes.
- 7.9 Clubs must have an official account on at least one social network (either Facebook or Instagram) and actively post current and updated information about the club and news related to the club and/or MLKL/ WBBL.
- 7.10 Clubs must have a press representative who effectively collaborates with the MLKL/ WBBL administration, regularly providing news, photos, and other information about the team to the MLKL/ WBBL website and media outlets, both verbally and in writing (via email). Club representatives must share MLKL/ WBBL-announced information related to clubs and various promotions (news, video reports, contests, surveys, etc.) on the club's official social networks.
- 7.11 When a club signs a new player and/or coach, they must promptly provide this information to the MLKL/ WBBL administration as part of the general promotion of MLKL/ WBBL and Open MLKL/ WBBL clubs.

## 8. Advertisement

- 8.1 If LED advertising boards are used during Open MLKL/ WBBL matches, they must display advertisements for the MLKL/ WBBL and its sponsors, with the content approved by the MLKL/ WBBL administration beforehand.
- 8.2 Advertising banners related to MLKL/ WBBL-organized championships or events must feature the official MLKL/ WBBL logo.
- 8.3 If players receive league-awarded prizes or honors before, during, or after games, they are required to pose for a photo and, if necessary, provide a comment about their achievement.
- 8.4 For Open MLKL/ WBBL matches broadcast on television, the league is responsible for managing the advertisements displayed during the broadcast.

# 9. Television and games broadcast

9.1 All Open MLKL/ WBBL matches must be broadcast live and made available for public viewing to ensure maximum visibility and engagement with fans and stakeholders. The primary platform for these broadcasts will be the official WBBL YouTube channel or TV6. Additionally, other MLKL/ WBBL communication channels may be utilized to enhance reach and accessibility.

## 9.2 Broadcasting Platforms

- 9.2.1 Every Open MLKL/ WBBL match must be streamed live on the official MLKL/ WBBL YouTube channel, TV6 or TV3.lt.
- 9.2.2 The WBBL YouTube channel will serve as the primary repository for all live streams, ensuring consistent and centralized access for viewers.
- 9.2.3 Recorded matches will be archived on the channel for on-demand viewing.
- 9.2.4 Matches may also be broadcast on the WBBL's official website, social media platforms, and any other digital channels managed by the WBBL.
- 9.2.5 The MLKL/ WBBL reserves the right to collaborate with third-party platforms and broadcasters to further disseminate live streams, provided such collaborations do not compromise the exclusivity of the WBBL YouTube channel as the primary broadcast platform.

# 9.3 Broadcasting Standards

- 9.3.1 All live broadcasts must meet high-quality standards in terms of video resolution, audio clarity, and overall production value to provide a professional viewing experience.
- 9.3.2 The minimum resolution for live streams should be 720p, with a recommended resolution of 1080p or higher.
- 9.3.3 The MLKL/ WBBL will appoint or approve a dedicated production team responsible for the filming, broadcasting, and technical management of all matches.
- 9.3.4 The production team must ensure that all broadcasts run smoothly, with minimal technical disruptions.

## 9.4 Rights and Permissions

- 9.4.1 The MLKL/ WBBL retains all rights to the content broadcasted on its YouTube channel and other communication channels.
- 9.4.2 Any reproduction, redistribution, or use of match broadcasts must receive prior written consent from the MLKL/WBBL.
- 9.4.3 Any third-party entity wishing to broadcast Open MLKL/ WBBL matches on platforms outside the MLKL/ WBBL's official channels must obtain prior authorization from the MLKL/ WBBL.
- 9.4.4 Authorized third-party broadcasters must adhere to the MLKL/ WBBL's standards and guidelines for match broadcasting.

# 10. Expenses

- 10.1 The visiting Club will cover its own accommodation, international travel and local travel expenses in the city of the Venue. Two Clubs may agree to deviate from the provisions of this Article for their respective home games.
- 10.2 Fees, dues, rights, fines or any other amounts invoiced must be paid to the Organiser and/or the entity designated by the Organiser in full, i.e. without any deductions (bank charges, etc.), upon receipt of invoice and only through wire transfer. Amounts due to the Organiser (fines, liquidated damages etc), whether emanating from the same or previous season, may be deducted from the payments to the Club. In accordance with the tax regulations in force in Switzerland, invoices may be subject to Swiss Value Added Tax (VAT).
- 10.3 The hosting Club is responsible for customs clearance of shipments from the Organiser (e.g. balls, floor stickers). The hosting Club must also provide the Organiser with all the necessary information and/or documentation for the customs clearance. Any costs relating to missing information or incomplete information/documentation will be charged to the hosting Club.

# 11. Disciplinary sanctions

- 11.1 The behavior and discipline issues of players and other persons related to the competition participating in the Open MLKL/ WBBL championship are handled by the League's Disciplinary Committee, which consists of the WBBL Director, Competition Director, and Head Referee. In exceptional cases, a special meeting of the MLKL/ WBBL Board members may be convened.
- 11.2 The Disciplinary Committee has the right to impose disciplinary sanctions on MLKL/ WBBL players, coaches, team escorts, and club officials who violate these regulations or FIBA rules.
- 11.3 Disciplinary sanctions may be applied and must be adhered to by all legal and natural persons forming the MLKL/ WBBL structure: clubs and their representatives, persons working in organizational and technical roles, players, coaches, and referees.
- 11.4 When imposing sanctions, the Disciplinary Committee may consider objective and subjective reasons, mitigating and aggravating circumstances, and the damage caused by the action or inaction to the MLKL/WBBL, its partners, and the overall image of basketball.
- 11.5 When imposing sanctions, the Disciplinary Committee may rely on game video recordings, reports from inspectors (if appointed), referees and club representatives, publications in the press and on the internet, statements on television or radio, and other information.
- 11.6 The review of disciplinary violations by the WBBL Disciplinary Committee is free of charge.

## 12. Offences

12.1 The Organiser may impose a warning, a reprimand or an administrative fine on a person or a club that does not act in accordance with the Competition Regulations such as following:

- 12.1.1 Failing to comply with the various deadlines set out in the MLKL/ WBBL Regulations, such as late or incomplete submission of documents for the registration of Players.
- 12.1.2 Failing to send the final scoresheet at the end of the Open MLKL/ WBBL game or to confirm the final score electronically through the FIBA Live Stats software.
- 12.1.3 Failing to send the photos during the halftime break or within one (1) hour from the end of the Open MLKL/ WBBL game.
- 12.1.4 Failing to provide data for live scores and statistics to the Organiser's official website.
- 12.1.5 Failing to participate in a press conference or on-court flash interview before, at half-time or after the end of a Open MLKL/ WBBL game (incl. to provide an official statement in English), or any other media requirement set out in the MLKL/ WBBL Regulations.
- 12.1.6 Failing to put out advertising banners or other advertising equipment given by organizer.
- 12.1.7 Violation of the FIBA Official Basketball Rules on uniforms and/or other equipment.
- 12.1.8 Insufficient organisation of a Open MLKL/ WBBL game by a hosting Club.
- 12.1.9 Venue does not comply with the requirements of the MLKL/ WBBL Regulations.
- 12.1.10 Lack or malfunction of equipment essential to the organisation of the Open MLKL/ WBBL game. Or equipment does not comply with the requirements of the Official Basketball Rules.
- 12.1.11 Lack of adequate security measures in or around the venue.
- 12.1.12 Circumstances threatening or violating the safety of Club Officials or WBBL Officials or spectators in or around the venue during or immediately before/after the Open MLKL/ WBBL game.
- 12.1.13 Presenting less than eight (8) Players at the beginning of a Open MLKL/ WBBL game shall be subjected to a disciplinary or administrative fine.
- 12.1.14 Use of unregistered Player(s) shall result in forfeiture of the Open MLKL/ WBBL game. In the event of a second offence, the Club shall be disqualified from the MLKL/ WBBL and a disciplinary or administrative fine may additionally be imposed.
- 12.1.15 Unsportsmanlike behaviour of the public towards Club Officials, MLKL/ WBBL Officials or third parties.
- 12.1.16 Inciting violence towards another Club's Officials or supporters, or MLKL/ WBBL officials.
- 12.1.16 Throwing of objects which may or may not cause injury
- 12.1.17 Lighting of fireworks or any other objects.
- 12.1.18 Otherwise endangering and/or threatening another Club's Officials or MLKL/ WBBL Officials (e.g. threatening chants, using laser pens, etc.).

- 12.1.19 Aggression or attempted aggression on or off the playing court against another Club's Officials or supporters, or against MLKL/WBBL Officials.
- 12.1.20 In principle, responsibility for ensuring the proper behaviour of the public lies with the hosting Club. However, disciplinary measures may be imposed on the visiting Club in the event of unsportsmanlike behaviour by its supporters or Club Officials.
- 12.1.21 Any type of unsportsmanlike behaviour or behaviour that tarnishes the image of MLKL/WBBL and/or of basketball, including without limitation threatening, intimidating, insult, verbal of physical abuse, by Club Officials towards another Club's Officials or supporters, MLKL/WBBL Officials, the public or third parties (e.g. media representatives etc.).
- 12.1.22 Use of gestures, words, objects or any other means to transmit any message that is not fit for a sports event, particularly messages that are of a political, ideological, religious, offensive or provocative nature.
- 12.1.23 Derogatory remarks against another Club's Officials or supporters, MLKL/ WBBL Officials, the Organiser, the public or third parties during or after the game or all championship at any time via social media, other media tools or verbally.

## 13. Fines

- 13.1 For a player's technical foul -50 EUR;
- 13.2 For a coach's technical foul 70 EUR;
- 13.3 For a disqualifying foul (not for 2 unsportsmanlike fouls during one game) 100 EUR;
- 13.4 A player or coach penalized with a disqualifying foul is disqualified for the next (1) nearest Open MLKL/ WBBL championship game.
- 13.5 For causing a fight (hooligan or aggressive actions) 200 EUR;
- 13.6 For a team not showing up to a game without force majeure circumstances a fine of 300 EUR and compensation for the losses incurred by the MLKL/WBBL and the opposing team. The opposing team is awarded a victory with a score of twenty to zero (20:0);
- 13.7 For a team repeatedly not showing up to a game without force majeure circumstances a fine of 1000 EUR and the club is expelled from the Open MLKL/ WBBL championship. The opposing team is awarded a victory with a score of twenty to zero (20:0);
- 13.8 If a team is more than 15 minutes late to the court (except in cases of force majeure circumstances) a fine of 50 EUR (the chief referee must record the delay in the match report);
- 13.9 If a team refuses to play or continue the game according to FIBA official basketball rules ("Loss of right to play"), the victory is awarded to the opposing team, a score of 20:0 is recorded in the match report, and a fine of 200 EUR is imposed;

- 13.10 For repeated offenses a fine of 500 EUR. If the penalized club is the host of the match, all travel expenses of the visiting club must be reimbursed.
- 13.11 For inappropriate behavior of the team's players, coaches, or accompanying persons towards match referees or the secretariat staff a fine of 200 EUR;
- 13.12 For violent actions by spectators or championship participants towards the opposing team, referees, or secretariat staff a fine of 400 EUR and disqualification for 3 games;
- 13.13 If a team uses basketballs other than "Molten" in the Open MLKL/ WBBL games a fine of 200 EUR;
- 13.14 All Open MLKL/ WBBL participants (players, coaches, club representatives, and management) must refrain from public unfounded criticism and expressing negative opinions about the MLKL/ WBBL and/or its participants, as well as from disseminating confidential, false information that demeans the honor and dignity of any individual. For non-compliance with this requirement a fine of 400 EUR.
- 13.15 Imposed fines must be paid within 7 working days. If the fine is not paid within the specified period, players or coaches are not allowed to participate in games until the fine is paid.
- 13.16 Participants in the Open MLKL/ WBBL are prohibited from engaging in activities related to the direct or indirect provision of information, advice to Open MLKL/ WBBL participants or other third parties, including betting organizers, regarding Open MLKL/ WBBL games and/or other officially organized basketball championships, tournaments, and games.
- 13.17 Open MLKL/ WBBL participants are prohibited from directly or indirectly participating in any betting related to officially organized basketball championships, tournaments, and games.

## 14. Responsibility for anti-doping rule violations

- 14.1 All athletes must adhere to the principle of fair play. Players are prohibited from using doping and must comply with and not violate Anti-Doping rules.
- 14.2 It is the athlete's responsibility to ensure that no prohibited substances (doping agents) enter their body. Responsibility for offering, encouraging, or forcing the use of doping agents or doping methods also lies with other individuals team doctors, masseurs, coaches, and other members of the athlete's staff.
- 14.3 The annually updated list of prohibited substances (doping agents) is available on the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) website: www.wada-ama.org.
- 14.4 Doping control may be conducted for all Open MLKL/ WBBL players at any time without prior notice.

# 15. Game protests

- 15.1 If a team believes that its interests have been violated by a referee's (chief referee or referee) decision or another event during the game, it should act as follows:
- 15.2 At the end of the game, the captain must immediately inform the chief referee that her team is protesting the result of the game. The captain must sign in the designated box on the score sheet, called "captain's signature in case of protest". For this statement to become valid, it is necessary for an official representative of the team to confirm this protest in writing within 15 minutes after the end of the game. A detailed motive for the protest is not required. It is enough to write, "The Women's Basketball League club X protests the result of the game between teams 'X' and 'Y'".
- 15.3 The protesting club must inform the MLKL/ WBBL competition director by phone and send the protest text by email within 1 hour after the end of the game.
- 15.4 For the protest to be valid and the review process to begin, the club must pay 100 EUR. The club must transfer the full amount to the WBBL account within 24 hours after the end of the game.
- 15.5 The chief referee must inform the MLKL/ WBBL competition director about the incident within 1 hour after the end of the game.
- 15.6 Protests are reviewed, and decisions on their acceptance or rejection are made by the League's Disciplinary Committee.
- 15.7 A decision is made within 48 hours after receiving all documents, including the payment of the fee.

## 16. Determining team rankings in the tournament table

- 16.1 Teams are classified according to points earned: 2 points are awarded for each victory, and 1 point for each loss. Teams that fail to show up or lose the right to play are awarded 0 points.
- 16.2 If 2 or more teams have the same win-loss ratio in all group games, the results of the games between these 2 (or more) teams determine their classification. If the win-loss ratio of the mutual games between 2 or more teams is the same, the following criteria are used in order:
- 16.2.1 Greater point difference in mutual games;
- 16.2.2 Greater number of points scored in mutual games;
- 16.2.3 Greater point difference in all group games of the respective stage;
- 16.2.4 Greater number of points scored in all group games of the respective stage;
- 16.2.5 If these criteria are insufficient, the classification of the teams is determined by drawing lots.

#### Annex 1

## **COMPETITION SYSTEM**

## 1. DIVISION A

#### 1.1 REGULAR SEASON

Ten (10) clubs will be in one group. Each club will play the other clubs in home and away games (2 rounds).

## 1.2 QUARTER-FINALS

Eight (8) clubs from Regular season will participate in quarter-finals as follows:

- 1. A8 vs A1
- 2. A7 vs A2
- 3. A6 vs A3
- 4. A5 vs A4

Playing two (2) away – home games. Better placed teams during Regular season will always play second (2nd) at home.

The winners of the Quarter-Finals will qualify for the Final Four.

## 1.3 FINAL FOUR

The four (4) clubs qualified from Quarter – Finals will play as follows:

- 5. Winner 1 vs Winner 4
- 6. Winner 2 vs Winner 3

The winners of these games will qualify for the Final, the losers will play for the third place.

- 7. Loser 5 vs Loser 6
- 8. Winner 5 vs Winner 6

The games of the Final Four will be played in two days, place will be chosen and announced by organizers.