

# RULES FOR U14 TOURNAMENTS SUPPORTED OR RECOGNISED BY FIBA EUROPE AND FOR THE FIBA EUROPE U14 TOURNAMENT OF THE YEAR

#### 1. General considerations

- 1.1. FIBA Europe does not organise official competitions in the U14 age category. However, in order to support the efforts made by various entities to develop Basketball in this sensitive age category, every year FIBA Europe supports or recognises a certain number of U14 International Tournaments. Moreover, every year FIBA Europe designates among the supported Tournaments the U14 Tournament of the Year.
- 1.2. The selection of the supported and recognised tournaments and for the U14 Tournament of the Year is made by the Youth Commission of FIBA Europe, on proposal by the Secretariat of FIBA Europe. This proposal is based on criteria and guidelines established by the Youth Commission and on proposals by the respective National Federations.
- 1.3. FIBA Europe will designate one member of its staff as the FIBA Europe contact person for these tournaments. At the SPRING meeting of the Youth Commission, this contact will produce a report on all the tournaments that took place in the previous year. The report will include all technical data as well as evaluation of the tournaments.

### 2. Tournaments recognised by FIBA Europe

- 2.1. The recognition of an U14 Tournament involves namely its inclusion in the official FIBA Europe Youth competitions schedule, its mention on the FIBA site, the establishment of a link with the official site of the Tournament and the possibility for the organisers to use the FIBA emblem in relation with the Tournament. <a href="http://www.fiba.basketball/europe/programmes/youth-tournaments">http://www.fiba.basketball/europe/programmes/youth-tournaments</a>
- 2.2. The tournament may be organised for boys, girls, or both categories. However, in each category (boys or girls), a minimum of 8 teams must participate. Participating teams must come from at least 4 countries.
- 2.3. In order to ensure a geographical spread, a maximum of 2 recognised Tournaments may be attributed to each country in each age category. This number does not include the possible supported Tournaments and Tournament of the Year.
- 2.4. The control of player's eligibility must be guaranteed by the organisers.
- 2.5. A representative of the National Federation if the country in which the Tournament is organised should attend the respective Tournament and inform FIBA Europe about the event. They should be ex- officio member of the Technical Committee of the Tournament.
- 2.6. Pre-tournament information (including the tournament rules) must be sent to the Offices of FIBA Europe two months before the tournament starts. A final report containing all essential information (results, classification photos etc. as well as a short evaluation) must be sent to the FIBA Europe Offices one month after the tournament ends by the Representative of the respective National Federation.
- 2.7. Websites of the event must be opened and accessible one month before the tournaments starts and must remain open for at least two months after the tournament. They contain all useful information regarding the Tournament.



## 3. Tournaments supported by FIBA Europe

- 3.1. Every year FIBA Europe selects a certain number of Tournaments to which it gives a particular support. In order to be supported, a Tournament must guarantee a high-level organisation and its overall conditions should be similar to the conditions of a European official Youth competition (teams should stay in a good hotel, officiating must be of appropriate high level, must have communication plan, promotion, etc.). Moreover, the number of participating teams must be between 8 and 24.
- 3.2. For each one of supported tournaments, FIBA Europe's support can be in various forms, such as T- shirts, trophies, souvenirs, etc. In any case, FIBA Europe will offer at least one major award for the winners.

### 4. FIBA Europe U14 Tournament of the Year

4.1. In order to give opportunity to the people active in the U14 age category to meet once a year during high-level competition, FIBA Europe designates the U14 Tournament of the Year.

In principle, FIBA Europe chooses one of the supported Tournaments on the basis of evaluations of its previous editions and in agreement with the respective National Federation and the tournament organiser. The tournament must guarantee a high-level organisation, proven in the previous editions of that Tournament.

4.2. FIBA Europe will be associated in the organisation of the U14 Tournament of the Year, namely regarding the possible side-events, such as camps, conferences, meetings etc. In particular, and in addition to the staff members who will assist in the organisation of the overall event, FIBA Europe will designate an Event Commissioner.