

FIBA CODE OF ETHICS

PREAMBLE

FIBA and each of its member national federations, the FIBA officials and any persons or organisation belonging in any capacity whatsoever to FIBA, to one of its affiliated members, to a FIBA Zone or to a recognised organisation, the cities and countries wishing to organise the FIBA Competitions, the Organising Committees of the FIBA Competitions (the basketball parties) restate their commitment to the FIBA General Statutes and Internal Regulations.

Consequently, within the framework of FIBA's activities, the basketball parties and the participants in the FIBA Competitions undertake to respect and ensure respect of the following rules:

A DIGNITY

1. Safeguarding the dignity of the individual is a fundamental requirement of FIBA.
2. There shall be no discrimination between participants on the basis of race, sex, ethnic origin, religion, philosophical or political opinion, marital status or other grounds.
3. No practice constituting any form of physical or mental injury to the participants will be tolerated. All doping practices, at all levels, are strictly prohibited.
4. All forms of harassment against participants, be it physical, mental, professional or sexual, are prohibited.
5. The basketball parties shall guarantee to the players, conditions of safety, well-being and medical care favourable to their physical and mental equilibrium.

B INTEGRITY

1. The basketball parties or their representatives shall not, directly or indirectly, solicit, accept or offer any concealed remuneration, commission, benefit or service of any nature connected with the organisation of the FIBA activities and / or FIBA Competitions.
2. Only gifts of nominal value, in accordance with prevailing local customs, may be given or accepted by the basketball parties, as a mark of respect or friendship. Any other gift must be passed on to the organisation of which the beneficiary is a member.

3. The hospitality shown to the members and staff of the basketball parties and the persons accompanying them shall not exceed the standards prevailing in the host country.
4. The basketball parties shall avoid any conflict of interest. If a conflict of interest arises, or if there is a danger of this happening, the parties concerned must inform the FIBA Central Board which will take appropriate measures.
5. The basketball parties shall use due care and diligence in fulfilling their mission. They must not act in a manner likely to tarnish the reputation of FIBA.
6. The basketball parties must not be involved with firms or persons whose activity is inconsistent with the principles set out in the FIBA General Statutes, Internal Regulations and this Code.
7. The basketball parties shall neither give nor accept instructions to vote or intervene in a given manner within the organs of FIBA.

C RESOURCES

1. The resources of the basketball parties, as defined in the preamble but excluding the natural persons mentioned therein, may be used only for basketball purposes.
2. The income and expenditure of the basketball parties as defined in section 1 above shall be recorded in their accounts, which must be maintained in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. An independent auditor will check these accounts.
3. The basketball parties recognise the significant contribution that broadcasters, sponsors, partners and other supporters of sports events make to the development and prestige of the FIBA Competitions throughout the world. However, such support must be in a form consistent with the rules of sport and the principles defined in the FIBA General Statutes, Internal Regulations and this Code. They must not interfere in the running of sports institutions. The organisation and staging of official basketball competitions are the exclusive responsibility of FIBA or of any organisation recognised and/or authorised by FIBA.

D CANDIDATURES

The basketball parties shall, in all points, respect the FIBA Bid and Event Manuals for cities/countries bidding to host the FIBA Competitions. The cities/countries wishing to organise FIBA Competitions shall, *inter alia*, refrain from approaching another party or a third authority with a view to obtaining any financial or political support inconsistent with the provisions of such Manual.

E RELATIONS WITH NATIONS

1. The basketball parties shall work to maintain harmonious relations with national authorities, in accordance with the principle of universality and of political neutrality of the FIBA Competitions. However, the spirit of humanism, fraternity and respect for individuals which inspires the FIBA ideal, requires the governments of countries that are to host the FIBA Competitions to undertake that their countries will scrupulously respect the same principles anchored in the FIBA General Statutes, Internal Regulations and in this Code.
2. The basketball parties are free to play a role in the public life of the nations to which they belong. They may not however abuse their FIBA position, engage in any activity or follow any ideology inconsistent with the principles and rules defined in the FIBA General Statutes and Internal Regulations or set out in this Code.
3. The basketball parties shall endeavour to protect the environment on the occasion of any events they organise. In the context of the FIBA Competitions, they undertake to uphold generally accepted standards for environmental protection.

F CONFIDENTIALITY

The basketball parties shall not disclose information entrusted to them in confidence. Disclosure of information must not be for personal gain or benefit, nor be undertaken maliciously to damage the reputation of any person or organisation.

G IMPLEMENTATION

1. The basketball parties shall see to it that the principles and rules of the FIBA General Statutes, Internal Regulations and this Code are applied.
2. The basketball parties shall notify the Ethics Council of any breach of this Code.
3. Each year, the Ethics Council will submit to the FIBA Central Board a report on the application of this Code, noting any breaches of its rules. The Council will propose to the FIBA Central Board sanctions which might be taken against those responsible.
4. The Ethics Council may set out the provisions for the implementation of this Code in a set of Implementing Provisions.