



**Wheelchair Basketball Canada**  
**Canadian Wheelchair Basketball League Women's National Championship**  
**Technical Package 2018-2019**

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**1. REGISTRATION**

- 1.1** Teams wishing to compete at the Women's CWBL National Championships must submit an official letter of intent to participate and a performance bond (\$350) to Wheelchair Basketball Canada by **January 31st, 2019**.
- 1.2** Team must submit their requests for Player Transfer (4.1) and New Player Eligibility (4.3) by **February 28, 2019**.
- 1.3** Teams must submit their registration package along with their team roster to Wheelchair Basketball Canada **AND** the Host Organizing Committee by **March 12, 2019**.
- 1.4** Teams that fail to meet the deadlines outlined in 1.1, 1.2 and/or 1.3 risk forfeiting their performance bond or tournament entry.

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**2. PARTICIPANTS**

- 2.1** A team must have a minimum of 7 players and 1 staff in attendance to be eligible to play games at CWBL Women's Finals.
- 2.2** All teams/clubs must be registered in the CWBL through the Wheelchair Basketball Canada.
- 2.3** Teams may have as many players on their roster as they wish, but only 12 players may be on the score sheet for each game at Finals.
- 2.4** The Domestic Committee under guidance from the Women's Commissioner will rule on eligibility as requested.

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**3. CLASSIFICATION**

- 3.1** Wheelchair Basketball Canada classification system (1.0) through (4.5).
- 3.2** Able-bodied athletes classified as (4.5).
- 3.3** Total number of points on the court not to exceed **(17)**, except:

- 3.3.1 If a team plays a player who is eligible under the New Player Rule (4.3), the team will be entitled to add one (1) additional point to the total for each eligible player that is on court.
- 3.3.2 If a team plays a player who is eligible under the New Player Rule (4.3) in their second year, the team will be entitled to add a half (0.5) additional point to the total for each eligible player that is on court.

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## 4 ELIGIBILITY

- 4.1 A player must play for the team that is geographically closest to their permanent residence. The permanent residence of the player will be determined by the address on their most recent photo identification card (ex. passport, health card, drivers license, etc...).
- 4.1.1 If there is no women's team situated in the city of the player's permanent residence, then the nearest city that has an active women's club will become the club that is eligible to have that player on their roster. A player who desires placement on a team, must notify the Wheelchair Basketball Canada Domestic Committee no later than 60 days prior to the competition. The club to which the player is assigned, has the option of keeping the player or releasing them. If the player does not wish to play for that team, they have the option of writing the Domestic Committee stating the reasons why and the Domestic Committee will rule on the decision.
  - 4.1.1.1 Should the club release the player, or the Domestic Committee rules in favour of the player's request to not play for that team, the Domestic Committee will assign the player to a team participating in the CWBL Women's National Championship. This assignment will take into account several factors including, but not limited to, need for players, classification gaps, geographic proximity, and strength of team.
  - 4.1.1.2 Once assigned to a team through the steps stated in 4.1.1 and 4.1.1.1, the club to which the player is assigned has the option of keeping the player or releasing them. If the player does not wish to play for that team, they have the option of writing the Domestic Committee stating the reasons why and the Domestic Committee will rule on the decision.
  - 4.1.1.3 All player transfers (4.1.1) are valid for **one** year. The transfer process must happen on an annual basis unless otherwise stated by the Domestic Committee.
  - 4.1.1.4 A team wishing to register a player transfer under this rule must do so in writing to the Domestic Committee by **February 28, 2019**. The Committee under leadership of the Women's Commissioner will have final authority to approve a player transfer under this rule.
- 4.2 Teams must play a minimum of 4 games during the season to be eligible to compete at Women's CWBL National Championships. None of those 4 games must necessarily be played against other women's teams.

### 4.3 New Player Rule:

- 4.3.1 All players are eligible under this rule unless they are considered an Impact Player.
  - 4.3.1.1 An impact player is defined as: Any national team program player (past or present) who has been involved in the women's National Team Program
- 4.3.2 A New Player is defined as:
  - 4.3.2.1 1<sup>st</sup> year: A player that is playing for the first time on a Women's CWBL league team and did not play in any other WBC sanctioned event per 4.4.3.
  - 4.3.2.2 2<sup>nd</sup> year: A player that is playing in their second season on a Women's CWBL team per 4.5.3.
- 4.3.3 For the purpose of this rule:
  - 4.3.3.1 If a player's name has appeared on a sanctioned score sheet at any time during a year, this will be considered as their first year. This includes CWBL Open Championships, Women's CWBL National Championships, Junior Regionals, Junior Nationals and Canada Games.
  - 4.3.3.2 A player that has played in any league (NWBA, European Leagues, etc...) previously and returned is not eligible to register under this rule.
- 4.3.4 A team wishing to register a player under this rule must do so in writing to the Domestic Committee by **February 28, 2019**. The Committee under leadership of the Women's Commissioner will have final authority to approve a player under this rule.
- 4.4 A player's name may only appear on the roster of one CWBL Women's team during the season.
  - 4.4.1 In the event that there is a National Academy Program (NAP) team competing, a player may appear on more than one roster if that player is attending the NAP as the NAP uses the CWBL league for training purposes.
    - 4.4.1.1 The player must be released by the club in the city of their permanent residence before being able to play for the NAP.
    - 4.4.1.2 The player must be released by the NAP in order to play for the club in the city of their permanent residence.

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## 5 COMPETITION

- 5.1 Unless otherwise stated, IWBF rules and regulations will be followed.
- 5.2 When possible the pools will be based on rankings from the previous year, and the geographical make-up of the teams. Unranked teams will be drawn in to pools after seeded teams. All teams will be placed in pairs and drawn for pool assignment (Ex. 1-2 paired and drawn in to different pools)

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## **6 COMPETITIVE UNIFORM**

- 6.1** All teams must have “white” and “dark” uniforms.
- 6.2** The first named on the schedule is the home team and must wear “white”.
- 6.3** Uniforms include shirts, undershirts and shorts / pants. Undershirts must be the same dominant colour as the shirt. Shorts / pants do not have to be the same colour as the shirts.
- 6.4** Teams will surrender their team’s performance bond if they are unable to meet the requirements of the competitive uniform.

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## **7 EQUIPMENT**

- 7.1** Game Ball: The tournament will be played with Molten - Size 6 balls.
- 7.2** Athlete chairs are not allowed to have any other logo on their chair except for chair manufacturer logo, team crest or athlete sponsored logos. All other logos must be removed or blacked out for Women’s CWBL National Championships competition. Athletes will not be allowed to enter the competition floor until the logos are either covered or removed.

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## **8 DOPING CONTROL**

The Canadian Centre of Ethics in Sport (CCES) may perform random doping control test at the Women’s CWBL National Championships. The CCES is authorized to administer the collection of urine samples in accordance with the Canadian Anti-Doping Program, as adopted by Wheelchair Basketball Canada.

More information about the Canadian Centre of Ethics in Sport can be found at:  
<http://www.cces.ca/>