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Definitions & Concepts

Backend:

The platform with the URL backend.fiba3x3.com that allows Zones and National Member Federations to extract reports, follow the 3x3 activity on their respective territory and register players to FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competitions

Cups:

Main Draw (“MD”):

The (in principle) 20-team tournament of a FIBA 3x3 World Cup or (in principle) 12-team tournament of a FIBA 3x3 Zone Cup.

Qualification Draw (“QD”):

Qualification games played directly before the MD of a FIBA 3x3 Zone Cup that qualifies a pre-defined number of teams to the MD. The QD is part of the FIBA 3x3 Zone Cup and teams eliminated in the QD are ranked in the final standings of the respective FIBA 3x3 Zone Cup based on their Qualifier results, however, not higher than the teams playing in the FIBA Zone Cup MD.

Qualification Tournament (“QT”):

A qualification tournament to a FIBA 3x3 World Cup or FIBA 3x3 Zone Cup that qualifies a pre-defined number of teams to the respective FIBA 3x3 World or FIBA 3x3 Zone Cup. The QT for ranking-purposes is considered part of the respective FIBA 3x3 World or FIBA 3x3 Zone Cup and teams eliminated in the QT are ranked in the final standings of the respective FIBA 3x3 World Cup or FIBA 3x3 Zone Cup based on their QT results, however, not higher than the teams playing in the FIBA 3x3 World Cup or FIBA 3x3 Zone Cup MD.

Qualifiers (“Qualifiers”):

A QT or QD of a FIBA 3x3 World Cup or FIBA 3x3 Zone Cup.

FIBA 3x3 World Cup:

The leading 3x3 event for national teams. FIBA organises FIBA 3x3 World Cups in U18, U23 and Open category. Qualification to the FIBA 3x3 World Cup follows the formats defined in Book 6 of the FIBA Internal Regulations and this Handbook.

FIBA 3x3 Zone Cup:

The continental 3x3 championships for



national teams. FIBA organises FIBA 3x3 Zone Cups in U17 and Open category. FIBA 3x3 Zone Cups are organised for Africa, the Americas, Europe and Asia-Oceania. FIBA 3x3 Zone Cups are open to all eligible National Member Federations of a Zone.

Cut-Off Date:

The 12.00 UTC hours of 1 December (6-1 IR) on which the FIBA 3x3 Federation Ranking is calculated to determine the eligible and/or qualified teams for all FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competitions in the following calendar year.

Eligibility:

Eligible Player:

A player that meets all the eligibility criteria for representing the 3x3 national team of a National Member Federation at a particular competition.

National Member Federation Eligibility:

Status of a National Member Federation regarding the participation in FIBA 3x3 National Team Competitions. The criteria for National Member Federation Eligibility are the same across all categories and National Member Federation Eligibility is always established on 1 November of the previous calendar year (e.g. on 1 November 2023 for the 3x3 National Team Season 2024).

Player Eligibility

Status of a player regarding participation for a certain National Member Federation in FIBA 3x3 National Team Competitions. Player eligibility can vary between different categories; however, a player can never be eligible for more than one National Member Federation across FIBA National Team Competitions and FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competitions.

Top-10 Ranked Player:

A player ranked amongst the Top-10 verified players in a given category at 12.00 UTC, one day prior to the opening of player registration for a FIBA 3x3 World Cup or FIBA 3x3 World Cup QT (in Open category) or the Olympic Games or Qualification Tournament to the Olympic Games (not applicable to the Youth Olympic Games).

Verification:

Proof of eligibility of a player for FIBA 3x3 Official National Team competitions. Verification must be requested exclusively through the Backend. Verification may take up to 10 working days. Further, players may



be automatically verified based on the passports submitted at other selected FIBA 3x3 Official Competitions.

Verified Player:

A player whose eligibility for representing the 3x3 national team of a National Member Federation has been proven and marked accordingly in FIBA's 3x3 Backend. Verification can vary based on the age category of a competition and can be tracked by the National Member Federation in the *Players* section of FIBA's 3x3 Backend.

FIBA 3x3 Federation Ranking:

The FIBA 3x3 Federation Ranking is the ranking of all National Member Federations based on the FIBA 3x3 Individual World Ranking points of their top 25 nationals (with a confirmed FIBA 3x3 Profile) in the respective category. In case of a tie in ranking points, the tied National Federations will be ranked based on their highest ranked player in the corresponding category.

FIBA 3x3 Individual World Ranking:

A classification of all players registered in play.fiba3x3.com ("FIBA 3x3 Individual World Ranking") is based on the ranking points collected at FIBA 3x3 Competitions pursuant to the FIBA 3x3 Ranking Full Guide as amended and implemented with retroactive effect from time to time.

play.fiba3x3.com

The official FIBA 3x3 website for all FIBA 3x3 Competitions and player data.

Profile:

Confirmed Profile:

The play.fiba3x3.com profile of a player, confirmed by such a player. The confirmation status of a profile can be tracked by the National Member Federation in the *Players* section of FIBA's 3x3 Backend.

Non-Registered Profile:

A play.fiba3x3.com player profile created manually by an event organiser in the EventMaker. A non-registered profile is not accessible by the player and the ranking points on such profile are not considered for the 3x3 Federation Ranking. Non-registered profiles cannot get registered for FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competitions and cannot get verified.

Pending Profile:

The play.fiba3x3.com profile of a player that the player has not confirmed yet. The ranking points on such profiles are not



considered for the FIBA 3x3 Federation Ranking. Pending profiles cannot get registered for FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competitions and cannot get verified.

Roster:

Event Roster:

A team roster of four players selected and registered by a National Member Federation for a specific FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competition from among the players of its Extended Roster.

Extended Roster:

A team roster of minimum four and maximum six eligible players nominated for a FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competition.

Substitute Player (“Substitute”):

A player registered for one of the two slots for replacement players within the Extended Roster.

Wild-Card:

FIBA invitation issued to a National Member Federation for one of its teams to play in a competition.

FIBA 3x3 Youth Nations League (“NL”):

A FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competition for men and women in the U21 and U23 age categories played in several conferences. Participation is open to all eligible National Member Federations.

Sextuple Stop (“Sextuple”):

six consecutive NL events of a conference played with a rest day in between the 3rd and 4th event within a 7-day period at the same venue.

Triple Stop (“Triple”):

three consecutive NL events of a conference played within a three-day period at the same venue.

Note:

The present Handbook applies to all FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competitions. Capitalized terms in this Handbook are given the meaning set forth in the FIBA Internal Regulations, unless provided otherwise.

1. FIBA 3x3 National Team Competitions

- 1.1. FIBA 3x3 National Team Competitions means any and all 3x3 national team competitions organised or recognised by FIBA, categorised as follows:
 - a) FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competitions
 - b) FIBA 3x3 Recognised National Team Competitions
- 1.2. FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competitions means the following FIBA 3x3 National Team competitions, regardless of the age category:
 - a. Olympic Games,
 - b. Youth Olympic Games,
 - c. FIBA 3x3 World Cups,
 - d. FIBA 3x3 Zone Cups,
 - e. FIBA 3x3 Youth Nations League (“NL”)
 - f. Qualifiers to FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competitions
- 1.3. FIBA 3x3 World Cups and FIBA 3x3 Zone Cups of all age categories and the NL are played, in principle, annually. FIBA may decide that no FIBA 3x3 World Cup shall take place in the same calendar year as the Olympic Games. This provision applies mutatis mutandis to the FIBA 3x3 U18 World Cup and the Youth Olympic Games.
- 1.4. FIBA 3x3 Recognised National Team Competitions are the only competitions played by national teams recognised by FIBA, which are not FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competitions. Such competitions are organised and executed by a separate governing body, with FIBA appointing a Technical Delegate to supervise the competition. Moreover, these competitions shall
 - a) be properly uploaded on play.fiba3x3.com;
 - b) follow the corresponding criteria, insofar as applicable, established by FIBA for national team competitions.
- 1.5. A National Member Federation may not be represented by more than one male and one female team in any FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competition unless provided otherwise in the relevant competition rules.
- 1.6. FIBA 3x3 Zone Cups are open to all eligible National Member Federations. In case of over-registration, FIBA will organise a Qualifier(s) prior to the Zone Cup.
- 1.7. Medals (gold, silver, bronze) shall be awarded at FIBA 3x3 World Cups and FIBA 3x3 Zone Cups. Winners of Semi-Final games will play for the gold medal, the losers of the Semi-Final games will play for the bronze medal. All other teams, including those that played only the Qualifiers (whether a qualification draw or tournament), will get ranked according to the Official 3x3 Basketball Rules of the Game. Medals shall be provided also for individual contests, if any.
- 1.8. Books 1 to 5 of the FIBA Internal Regulations apply to the FIBA 3x3 National Team Competitions, unless otherwise provided in Book 6 of the FIBA Internal Regulations. The present Handbook sets forth the specific provisions for the FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competitions. In case of any conflict or discrepancy, the following hierarchy shall apply (each category to prevail over any category mentioned below it):
 - a. FIBA General Statutes;
 - b. FIBA Internal Regulations and other rules, regulations, and decisions of FIBA; and



c. The present Handbook.

- 1.9. FIBA, acting through the Secretary General, is entitled to apply changes to the competition formats of the FIBA 3x3 National Team Competitions.
- 1.10. Procedure for calling a national team player and the applicable release period: Articles 3-33 to 3-37 and Articles 3-39 to 3-49 shall apply mutatis mutandis to FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competitions, excluding the NL. The player shall be available at least for a release period starting 120 hours before the beginning of the first game and ending 24 hours after the end of the last game of the relevant FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competition.

2. Categories

- 2.1. The categories for FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competitions are U17, U18, U23 and Open. FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competitions are played simultaneously for men and women in the respective category. The men's and women's category may be of different size regarding team numbers if less teams register in one of the categories (however, in principle there should be no less than four teams in a category).
- 2.2. To calculate the age limit corresponding to the respective underage FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competition, the following procedure is used: the age limit of the competition must be subtracted from the year in which the competition takes place with the understanding that this year begins on 1 January. Players must be at least 16 years old at the end of the calendar year during which the FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competition takes place; however, for the Extended Roster in the Open and U23 category, all players must turn 19 or older by the end of such calendar year.

	U17	U18	U23	Open
	Latest year of birth:			
Calculation of minimum age:	year of the competition minus 16		year of the competition minus 19	
Example for competition in 2023:	2024-16 = 2008		2024-19 = 2005	
	Earliest year of birth:			
Calculation of max. age for a category	competition year - 17	competition year - 18	competition year - 23	n/a
Example for competition in 2023:	2024 - 17 = 2007	2024 - 18 = 2006	2024 - 23 = 2001	n/a
	Players must be born in:			
	2007-2008	2006-2008	2001-2005	2005 or before

3. FIBA 3x3 Federation Ranking

- 3.1. The FIBA 3x3 Federation Ranking is the ranking of all National Member Federations based on the FIBA 3x3 Individual World Ranking points of their top 25 nationals (with a confirmed FIBA 3x3 Profile) in the respective category. In case of a tie in ranking points, the tied National Member Federations will be ranked based on their highest ranked player in the corresponding category. The FIBA 3x3 Federation Ranking is published on fiba3x3.com and updated on a daily basis at 1200 UTC.
- 3.2. Ranking points of Non-Registered Profiles are not considered for the FIBA 3x3 Federation Ranking even if this profile is ranked in the top 25 of a National Member Federation.
- 3.3. The FIBA 3x3 Federation Ranking is calculated separately for the following categories: U18 men, U18 women, U23 men, U23 women, Open men and Open women.
- 3.4. Further Combined Rankings (men and women together) are calculated for U18, U23 and Open categories by taking the geometric mean of the ranking points of men and women in the given category (= square root of the product of ranking points of both men and women in the given category). If a National Member Federation has zero ranking points for a gender in a given category, the Combined Ranking for this category shall show zero points.

4. FIBA 3x3 World Cup (Open category)

- 4.1. In principle, the FIBA 3x3 World Cup is played with 20 teams for men and 20 teams for women over six days of competition. Teams are divided into four pools of five teams each. The competition is played as a Round Robin followed by a single elimination phase. Pool winners qualify directly for the quarter finals. Teams ranked second or third in their pool must enter a pre-quarterfinal play-in.
- 4.2. Unless provided otherwise by FIBA, acting through the Secretary General, the national team slots for FIBA 3x3 World Cups are allocated at the Cut-Off Date according to the following sequence:
- a. The team of the hosting National Member Federation;
 - b. If different than the team in letter a., the winner of the previous edition or the Olympic Games if more recent than the previous edition of the FIBA 3x3 World Cup;
 - c. The winners of each of the FIBA 3x3 Open Zone Cups, held in the calendar year preceding the FIBA 3x3 World Cup:
 - i. If a team that qualified through a FIBA 3x3 Zone Cup has already been allocated a slot and/or is not eligible at the Cut-Off Date, its slot shall be allocated to the next highest placed team that is eligible at the Cut-Off Date from the same FIBA 3x3 Zone Cup, and so on;
 - ii. If no FIBA 3x3 Open Zone Cup is organised in the relevant Zone in the year preceding the FIBA 3x3 World Cup, the open slot(s) shall be allocated to the team(s) with the highest FIBA 3x3 Federation Ranking that has not already been allocated a slot; and
 - iii. If a FIBA 3x3 Zone Cup is announced prior to the Cut-Off Date and played after the Cut-Off Date but before the end of the same calendar year, the slot shall be reserved and allocated as set forth in art. 6-61.c IR once the FIBA 3x3 Zone Cup is played.
 - d. The top three teams from the FIBA 3x3 World Cup qualifier, if any; and
 - e. As applicable, the highest ranked teams in the FIBA 3x3 Federation Ranking, ensuring that a maximum of 10 teams per gender come from the same Zone.

Sequence to allocate slots to FIBA 3x3 World Cup	
1.	Host
2.	Winner of previous edition
3.	Winners of Zone Cups
4.	Top three of World Cup Qualifier (if any)
5.	FIBA 3x3 Federation Ranking in the relevant category (see gender rule, above)

See art. 6-61 IR, for exceptions to the general sequence.

- 4.2 A World Cup Qualifier, insofar as approved by the Secretary General, will be held a few months prior to the respective FIBA 3x3 World Cup. The following teams shall be qualified to participate in a FIBA 3x3 World Cup Qualifier:

- c) The team of the hosting National Member Federation;



- d) Highest placed team from the relevant FIBA 3x3 Zone Cups held in the calendar year preceding the World Cup that is not directly qualified to the FIBA 3x3 World Cup (see Article 4.2); if no FIBA 3x3 Open Zone Cup was organised in the relevant Zone, the open slot shall be allocated to the team with the highest FIBA 3x3 Federation Ranking that has not already been allocated a slot to the World Cup or the World Cup Qualifier; and
- e) The best-ranked not yet qualified for the FIBA 3x3 World Cup teams as per the FIBA 3x3 Federation Ranking of the relevant gender.

The participating teams that do not qualify for the FIBA 3x3 World Cup will be listed in the final standings of the FIBA 3x3 World Cup in positions 21st and following.

- 4.4 FIBA retains the right to substitute a team for participation in the FIBA 3x3 World Cup at any time if there are reasonable grounds to assume that this team may withdraw (e.g. visa process not followed).

5. FIBA 3x3 U23 World Cup

- 5.1. In principle, the FIBA 3x3 U23 World Cup is played with 20 teams for men and 20 teams for women over five days of competition. Teams are divided into four pools of five teams each. The competition is played as a round robin followed by single elimination as of the Quarter-Finals.
- 5.2. Unless provided otherwise by FIBA, acting through the Secretary General, the national team slots for the FIBA 3x3 U23 World Cup are allocated at the Cut-Off Date according to the following sequence:
- a. The team of the hosting National Member Federation;
 - b. The winner of the previous edition (if different than the team in letter 4.2.a; and
 - c. If a NL is being held in the same calendar year and subject to 6-21.b IR:
 - i. the winners of each conference of the NL of the same calendar year;
 - ii. all remaining slots shall be allocated based on the NL final standings (i.e. after the completion of all conferences) of the same calendar year.
 - d. As applicable, the highest ranked teams in the FIBA 3x3 Federation Ranking, ensuring that a maximum of 10 teams per gender come from the same Zone.

Sequence to allocate slots to FIBA 3x3 U23 World Cup	
1.	Host
2.	Winner of previous edition
3.	NL Conference Winners
4.	NL Standings of all conferences
5.	FIBA 3x3 Federation Ranking in the relevant category

See 6-61 IR, for exceptions to the General Sequence.

- 5.3 FIBA retains the right to substitute a team at any time if there are reasonable grounds to assume that this team may not be in a position to participate (e.g. visa process not followed).

6. FIBA 3x3 U18 World Cup

- 6.1. In principle, the FIBA 3x3 U18 World Cup is played with 20 teams for men and 20 teams for women over five days of competition. Teams are divided into four pools of five teams each. The competition is played as a round robin followed by single elimination as of the Quarter-Finals.
- 6.2. Unless provided otherwise by FIBA, acting through the Secretary General, the national team slots for the FIBA 3x3 U18 World Cup are allocated at the Cut-Off Date according to the following sequence:
- a) The team of the hosting National Member Federation;
 - b) The winner of the previous edition (if different than the team in letter a);
 - c) The top three teams from each of the FIBA 3x3 U17 Zone Cups held in the calendar year preceding the FIBA 3x3 U18 World Cup.
 - i. If a team that qualified through a FIBA 3x3 U17 Zone Cup has already been allocated a slot and/or is not eligible at the Cut-Off Date, its slot shall be allocated to the next highest placed team that is eligible at the Cut-Off Date from the same FIBA 3x3 Zone Cup, and so on;
 - ii. If no FIBA 3x3 U17 Zone Cup is organised in the relevant Zone in the year preceding the FIBA 3x3 World Cup, the open slot(s) shall be allocated to the team(s) with the highest FIBA 3x3 Federation Ranking that has not already been allocated a slot; and
 - iii. If a FIBA 3x3 U17 Zone Cup is announced prior to the Cut-Off Date and played after the Cut-Off Date but before the end of the same calendar year, the slot shall be reserved and allocated as set forth in this art. 6.2c once the FIBA 3x3 Zone Cup is played.
 - d) As applicable, the highest ranked teams in the FIBA 3x3 Federation Ranking, ensuring that a maximum of 10 teams per gender come from the same Zone.

Sequence to allocate slots to FIBA 3x3 U18 World Cup	
1.	Host
2.	Winner of previous edition
3.	Top three in U17 Zone Cups
4.	FIBA 3x3 Federation Ranking in the relevant category (see gender rule, above)

See 6-61 IR, for exceptions to the General Sequence.

- 6.3 FIBA retains the right to substitute a team at any time if there are reasonable grounds to assume that this team may withdraw (e.g. visa process not followed).

7. FIBA 3x3 Zone Cups

- 7.1. FIBA 3x3 Zone Cups are organised in U17 and Open category. FIBA 3x3 Zone Cups are played in principle with 12 teams for men and 12 teams for women over three days of competition, except if otherwise approved by FIBA. Teams are divided into four pools of three teams each. The competition is played with a round robin system followed by single elimination as of the Quarter-Finals.
- 7.2. Registration to FIBA 3x3 Zone Cups is open to all eligible National Member Federations of the respective Zone. However, FIBA can invite non-eligible National Member Federations at its discretion, with a view to develop 3x3 in a certain country.
- 7.3. If there are more than 12 teams registered in a gender to the respective FIBA 3x3 Zone Cup, FIBA will organise the required Qualifier(s). FIBA will decide at its discretion the team(s) that, in addition to the hosting National Member Federation's teams, will be directly assigned to the Main Draw of the respective FIBA 3x3 Zone Cup based on objective criteria (e.g. winner of the prior edition, highest ranked countries in the gender ranking in the Open category for Open FIBA 3x3 Zone Cups or the U18 category for FIBA 3x3 U17 Zone Cups).
- 7.4. FIBA may organise a Qualifier specifically for National Member Federations in Groups C and D (see Book 1, Chapter 2 of IR), in order to qualify the winner in each gender to the respective FIBA 3x3 Zone Cup.
- 7.5. FIBA will endeavour to ensure that teams are drawn to the Qualifiers based on regions or based on the combined ranking of the National Member Federation in the respective age category of the FIBA 3x3 Federation Ranking. Teams will be allocated in the following sequence:
 - a. hosts;
 - b. National Member Federations with teams registered in both genders;
 - c. National Member Federations with teams registered in one gender.

Qualifier methodology table

Qualifier A	Qualifier B	Qualifier C
Team 1 (highest rank)	Team 2 (2 nd highest rank)	Team 3 (3 rd highest ranked)
Team 6 (6 th highest rank)	Team 5 (5 th highest rank)	Team 4 (4 th highest rank)
Team 7 (7 th highest rank)	----->	----->
Team n (lowest rank)	<-----	----->

- 7.6. Teams playing in a Qualifier to a FIBA 3x3 Zone Cup that do not qualify to the Main Draw will be ranked in the final standings of the FIBA 3x3 Zone Cup based on their Qualifier results, however, not higher than the teams playing in the FIBA 3x3 Zone Cup Main Draw.
- 7.7. As a general rule, teams already qualified to the Main Draw of a FIBA 3x3 Zone Cup should not participate in the Qualification Tournament unless it is hosting this tournament. In such exceptional cases, the QT-hosting National Member Federation shall not be allowed to proceed to the elimination round or second pool round of the Qualification Tournament; instead the next ranked team in the pool with the hosting National Member Federation shall proceed to the elimination round or second pool round of the Qualification Tournament.
- 7.8. FIBA retains the right to substitute a team at a Zone Cup Main Draw at any time if there are reasonable grounds to assume that this team may withdraw (e.g. visa process not followed).

8. FIBA 3x3 Youth Nations League

- 8.1. The NL is played (in principle) in conferences of six teams per gender. However, if necessary, FIBA reserves the right to create conferences with a different number of teams.
- 8.2. FIBA will allocate the National Member Federations to the respective conference by using reasonable and logistics criteria such as, but not limited to: Federation Rankings (age, male, female, or combined), geographical considerations, and available slots. FIBA may decide to otherwise allocate NMFs in case the hosting interest in a conference exceeds the number of required Triple or Sextuple hosting opportunities in a conference or in case the number of registered teams exceeds the available slots in a Zone/region. Each conference shall be played in a series of Triples. In exceptional cases FIBA may discretionally decide to play a conference in a Sextuple. Each conference shall have a separate conference standing.
- 8.3. In principle, each leg of a Triple shall be played with two pools per category. The competition is played with round robin system followed by a Final. No third-place game shall be played. In case of four teams or less in a conference or leg, the leg(s) shall be played with only one pool.
- 8.4. The winners of each conference of the NL shall qualify to the FIBA 3x3 U23 World Cup of the same calendar year. Further teams may qualify to the FIBA 3x3 U23 World Cup based on the NL League Standings of the same calendar year as per the qualification process to this competition ([Article 5.2](#) of this Handbook). Every National Member Federation can only be represented by one national team per gender at the FIBA 3x3 U23 World Cup, even if winning the U23 and U21 conference with its national teams.
- 8.5. Registration for the NL shall be open to all National Member Federations eligible as per Article 9 of this Handbook. However, FIBA can invite non-eligible National Member Federations at its discretion, with a view to develop 3x3 in a certain country. Registration shall only be possible with teams of both genders and shall follow the process described in [Article 10.8](#) of this Handbook. Exceptions may be granted to teams filling in ad-hoc in case of withdrawals of other teams.
- 8.6. Registration of a second team comprised by only U21 players category shall be available only to those National Member Federations that participated in the previous edition of the NL. Insofar feasible, the U21 teams and U23 teams of a National Member Federation shall not be assigned to the same conference.
- 8.7. The NL National Member Federations may carry an extended roster of 6 players per team for the season. [Article 13.11 et seq.](#) of this Handbook shall apply.
- 8.8. To the extent that it is not in contradiction to the relevant competition handbooks (i.e. FIBA 3x3 Pro Circuit Handbook for Men; FIBA 3x3 Women's Series Handbook for Women), the best-ranked National Member Federations of the FIBA 3x3 U23 World Cup shall be granted (on request) an opportunity to register a team in the following year's FIBA 3x3 Men's Pro Circuit or FIBA 3x3 Women's Series (as relevant) as indicated below:
 - a. A Pro Circuit validated team (other than a Hard-Seeded team) shall be granted (upon request) the privileges listed below if four (4) or more of its players were part of the same roster of one of the National Member Federation teams in the previous NL season:
 - i. For the best ranked National Member Federation in the FIBA 3x3 U23 World Cup: two World Tour slots and two Challenger slots in the season following its NL campaign to the Pro Circuit validated team whose players (four or more) were part of a roster of any of the teams of the National Member Federation of the previous NL season. FIBA will pay a travel allowance as per FIBA 3x3 Pro Circuit Handbook;
 - ii. For the second-best ranked National Federation Member in the FIBA 3x3 U23 World Cup: one (1) World Tour slot and one (1) Challenger slot in the season following its NL campaign to the



Pro Circuit validated team whose players (four or more) were part of a roster of any of the teams of the National Member Federation of the previous NL season. FIBA will pay a travel allowance as per FIBA 3x3 Pro Circuit Handbook.

- iii. For the third- and fourth-best ranked National Federation Member in the FIBA 3x3 U23 World Cup: one (1) Challenger slot in the season following its NL campaign to the Pro Circuit validated team whose players (four or more) were part of a roster of any of the teams of the respective National Member Federation of the previous NL season. FIBA will pay a travel allowance as per FIBA 3x3 Pro Circuit Handbook.
- b. Teams must request any allocation they might be entitled to under this section before 1 July of the applicable Pro Circuit season, otherwise the right to request the allocations will be deemed as waived. Allocations will be subject to availability, done, in principle, with three months in advance and made to geographical nearby events. For the avoidance of a doubt, in principle the allocation shall always be to the Qualification Draw of a World Tour or Challenger.
- c. The women's teams of the two highest-ranked National Member Federations in the FIBA 3x3 U23 World Cup shall be granted (on request) a slot in the FIBA 3x3 Women's Series of the following season. If the relevant National Member Federation has already fielded a team for the FIBA 3x3 Women's Series, the slot will be granted as a second team of the same National Member Federation. The following conditions apply to both of the aforementioned teams:
 - i. The league registration fee for the FIBA 3x3 Women's Series shall be waived (if requested);
 - ii. The event registration fee for the first stop of the team in the FIBA 3x3 Women Series shall be waived (if requested);
 - iii. For any additional stop of a FIBA 3x3 Women's Series, the team or teams shall be required to pay the applicable event registration fee;
 - iv. A player playing for one of the aforementioned teams cannot play for another FIBA 3x3 Women's Series team in the same season;
 - v. A minimum of four players of such FIBA 3x3 Women's Series team must be from an roster of any of the teams of the National Member Federation in the previous NL season..

9. National Member Federation Eligibility for FIBA 3x3 National Team Competitions

- 9.1. Only NFs that meet the eligibility criteria at the Cut-Off as set forth in Article 9.2 of this Handbook may participate in FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competitions.
- 9.2. National Member Federations eligible to participate in FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competitions are those that have:
 - a. within their territory a minimum of three FIBA 3x3 Competitions organised, in the twelve (12) months prior to the applicable Cut-Off Date (i.e. 1 December of the previous calendar year, unless otherwise determined by FIBA; for the 2024 FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competitions, the Cut-Off Date shall be 1 November 2023.). Only competitions with a minimum category/division size of four teams are considered for eligibility purposes; and
 - b. a valid 3x3 e-learning certification held by a National Member Federation Backend user.

The 3x3 E-Learning platform is a complimentary educational tool for FIBA's National Member Federations. The Backend users of a National Member Federation are granted access to this 3x3 E-Learning platform with the credentials of their play.fiba3x3.com profile at <https://learning.fiba3x3.com/signup>. The 3x3 E-Learning certification is individual and once obtained, is valid for two Cut-Offs before the need for renewal.

- 9.3. Eligibility criteria for the participation in FIBA 3x3 Recognised National Team Competitions are set by the organising body of the respective competition, as approved by FIBA.

10. Team Registration to FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competitions

- 10.1. Team registrations for a FIBA 3x3 Zone or World Cups shall be considered valid and binding also for the Qualifiers (if any) as communicated in the registration invitation. Further, registration to a Qualifier shall be considered valid and binding also for the Main Draw of the respective FIBA 3x3 Zone or World Cup. Registrations for the NL shall be also considered valid and binding upon the National Member Federation for the FIBA 3x3 U23 World Cup (if qualified).
- 10.2. National Member Federations that are qualified to the FIBA 3x3 World Cups in the U18 and Open category must confirm their participation in the Backend during the period of 1 to 30 November of the year prior to the respective FIBA 3x3 World Cup. For the FIBA 3x3 U23 World Cup, the hosting National Member Federation and the winning National Member Federation from the previous edition must confirm their participation in the Backend during the period of 1 to 30 November of the year prior to the FIBA 3x3 U23 World Cup. For the National Member Federations qualifying to the FIBA 3x3 U23 World Cup through the NL, the NL registration shall be considered binding also for the FIBA 3x3 U23 World Cup. If any competition is announced after 1 November, FIBA will communicate to the National Member Federations the applicable registration deadline.
- 10.3. In case a qualified National Member Federation does not register its team(s), substitute teams shall be assigned within 15 days (if feasible) by FIBA at its discretion, following universality and/or development criteria, regardless of whether the criteria in 6-25 IR are fulfilled.
- 10.4. Upon expiry of the registration deadline (at 2400 UTC of 30 November or of another date as per Article 10.2 above), the registration of a team that:
 - a. was confirmed by the National Member Federation becomes legally binding;
 - b. was not confirmed by the National Member Federation is deemed withdrawn and FIBA may elect a substitute team in its discretion.
- 10.4.1 FIBA may in its discretion grant National Member Federations that fail to complete their team registration prior to the expiry of the team registration deadline, a 48 hours extension at the cost of an administrative fee as regulated in [Annex 1 to FIBA 3x3 Handbooks](#).
- 10.5. National Member Federations that wish to participate in FIBA 3x3 Zone Cups must confirm the registration of their team(s) in the *NT Management* section of the Backend within 30 days following FIBA's invitation to register, unless otherwise specified in the invitation. FIBA shall not accept any team registration by email or other means of communication. Upon expiry of the registration deadline, the registration of a team that
 - a. was confirmed by the National Member Federation becomes legally binding;
 - b. was not confirmed by the National Member Federation is deemed withdrawn and FIBA may elect a substitute team in its discretion.
- 10.6. FIBA may require registration fees for FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competitions. Such fees, if any, shall be communicated in FIBA's invitation to register to a specific competition. The registration fee is non-refundable in case of team withdrawal.

In case a registration fee is applicable, the team registration shall only be considered complete once FIBA receives the payment or a proof of payment. In case the payment for such registration fee is not settled by the due date, FIBA may consider the team registration void and remove the team(s) from the list of

participating teams and elect insofar necessary a substitute team in its discretion.

- 10.7. National Member Federations that have confirmed the participation of their team(s) in a FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competition and cancel their participation after the confirmation became legally binding or fail to appear at the opening of the given competition, will be sanctioned, as follows:

Automatic ineligibility to participate from the next edition of the same FIBA 3x3 National Team Competition, regardless of the fault or negligence of the National Member Federation.

A monetary fine which shall be measured depending on the fault or negligence of the National Member Federation, as follows:

World Cup & Zone Cup (open)	up to CHF 100,000
NL	up to CHF 80,000
Qualifiers* to World Cup & Zone Cup (open)	up to CHF 50,000
Youth Cups and related qualifiers	up to CHF 50,000

* in the case where Qualifiers are played back-to-back with the corresponding Cup, the maximum fine applies

Additionally, a ban from participating in any FIBA 3x3 National Team Competition, in any case not exceeding one (1) Olympic cycle may be imposed by the Secretary General.

- 10.8. National Member Federations that wish to participate in the NL must confirm the participation of their team(s) in the Backend during the registration period communicated by FIBA.
- 10.9. Other or additional registration requirements may be enacted by FIBA in the special competition provisions of the FIBA Internal Regulations or in competition-specific documentation (e.g. this Handbook, manual).
- 10.10. Process and deadlines for team registration for FIBA 3x3 Recognised National Team Competitions will be defined and communicated by the organising body of the respective competition, as approved by FIBA.

11. Player Eligibility for FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competitions

- 11.1. Players must be registered in play.fiba3x3.com with a confirmed FIBA 3x3 Profile. Players with Pending or Non-registered Profiles are not eligible for FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competitions.
- 11.2. In order to play for the national team of a country in the senior (Open) category of a FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competition, a player:
- Must hold the legal nationality of that country; and
 - Must present a passport of that country issued by the competent authorities before 1 January of the calendar year prior to the relevant FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competition; in case of Olympic Games or any Qualifier for the Olympic Games a player must present a passport of that country issued by the competent authorities before 1 January of two (2) calendar years prior to the relevant edition of the Olympic Games; and
 - Subject to Special Cases below, may not have previously played for the national team (5v5 or 3x3) of another country in a main official competition of FIBA (see [2-2 IR](#); 6-26c IR)
 - Must turn 19 years of age or older by the end of the calendar year during which the FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competition takes place.

Latest year of passport issuance:	
Rule for Cups (excluding Olympics) in 2023:	Passports must be issued <u>before 1 January 2023</u>
Calculation:	year of the competition minus 2
Example for Cups (excluding Olympics) in 2023	2024-2 = 2022
Rule for Olympics and Olympic Qualifiers in 2024	Passports must be issued <u>before 1 January 2022</u>
Calculation	year of the competition minus 3
Example for Olympics and Olympic Qualifiers in 2024	2024-3 = 2021

- 11.3. In order to play for the national team of a country in the underage categories (U17, U18, U23) of a FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competition, a player:
- Must hold the legal nationality of that country before 1 January of the calendar year prior to the relevant FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competition; and
 - Must present a passport of that country issued by the competent authorities before the end of the registration period for the relevant underage FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competition; and
 - Subject to Special Cases below, may not have previously played for the national team (5v5 or 3x3) of another country in a main official competition of FIBA (see [2-2 IR](#), 6-28 IR)

Latest year of passport issuance:	
Rule:	Nationality must be obtained <u>before 1 January 2023</u>
Calculation:	year of the competition minus 2
Example for underage Cups in 2023:	2024-2 = 2022

- 11.4. FIBA may waive the requirement of [Article 11.2.b](#) and [11.3.a](#) of this Handbook in the case of players who have met this requirement at a previous FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competition or who had their national status confirmed by FIBA pursuant to 3-12 et seq. IR prior to the date mentioned in letter 11.3.a of this Handbook. Such confirmation shall be registered through a corresponding entry in FIBA’s MAP.
- 11.5. In addition to the mandatory data and documents set forth in this Handbook, FIBA may request any data or documents it deems appropriate in order to verify that these eligibility requirements are met.
- 11.5.1 For players in U17, U18 and U23 Competitions FIBA may request at its discretion other supporting documents in addition to a passport to clarify the nationality of a player in case such player cannot prove with a FIBA MAP entry or a passport that the respective nationality was obtained before the deadline mentioned in [Article 11.3.a](#) of this Handbook. However, such documents shall only establish the eligibility for U17, U18 and U23 competitions, but not for competitions in the Open category.
- 11.5.2 Subject to articles 6-26 IR through 6-28 IR, a change of nationality of a player who has already had their national status confirmed shall always enter into effect as of 1 January of the year when such player would be considered eligible for the 3x3 national team of the new National Member Federation (see 6-26). In principle, a player can request change of nationality only once.
- 11.6. For Olympic Games (incl. Youth Olympic Games), other or further eligibility criteria may be established and communicated by circular letter of FIBA following IOC approval.
- 11.7. A player who has played for a national team in a main official competition of FIBA (see article 2-3 IR) may not play for a national team of another country. However, in exceptional circumstances and his sole discretion, the Secretary General may authorise such a player to play for the national team of another country provided that there are close links (sporting or otherwise) between the player and this country. In exercising this discretion, the Secretary General shall take into account, amongst other possible considerations, whether such authorisation is in the interest of the development of basketball in this country.
- Before making his decision, the Secretary General shall consult with both National Member Federations and the player involved.
- Decisions by the Secretary General on special cases may be subject to the payment of an administrative fee of up to CHF 20,000.
- A national team participating in a FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competition may have only one (1) player authorised under this article.
- 11.8. For the avoidance of doubt, a player who has transferred as a young player according to [3-75 IR](#) (transfer linked to basketball) may not play until he has reached the age of eighteen (18) in a FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competition for the national team of any country other than the country from which the player transferred.
- 11.9. To the extent that FIBA or its Regional Offices have enacted special eligibility provisions for players from city states or dependent territories, those provisions shall apply also to FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competitions.
- 11.10. Players must be at least 16 years old at the end of the calendar year during which the FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competition takes place; however, for the extended roster in the Open and U23 category, all



players must turn 19 years or older by the end of such calendar year.

12. Player Verification

12.1. Verified Players are players whose eligibility for the respective age category for a particular National Member Federation has been confirmed by FIBA and who are enrolled in FIBA's 3x3 Backend as verified players. National Member Federations can track the verification status for each of their players in the *Players* section of the Backend.

12.2. Players are verified upon request of a National Member Federation in the Backend – insofar as passports are being provided – or automatically upon becoming part of the roster of a team in a Challenger, Women's Series or World Tour based on the presented passport during registration to such competition.

12.3. Players need to get verified only once. Verification is individual- and category-driven, but not competition-driven.

Subject to articles 6-26 IR through 6-28 IR, a change of nationality of a player who has already had their national status confirmed shall always enter into effect as of 1 January of the year when such player would be considered eligible for the 3x3 national team of the new National Member Federation (see 6-26). In principle, a player can request change of nationality only once.

12.4. Player verification may get requested by a National Member Federation at any time. However, player verification may take up to 10 working days. Timely verification requests shall be a National Member Federation responsibility.

12.5. Only players with a Confirmed Profile on play.fiba3x3.com can get verified. National Member Federations can track the confirmation status for each of their players in the *Players* section of the Backend.

12.6. Players are verified exclusively based on their passports or their FIBA MAP entries. Expired passports are accepted for player verification. A player enrolled in FIBA's MAP is not automatically verified in the Backend, unless requested by the National Member Federation.

12.7. A National Member Federation that wishes to verify a player shall upload the currently valid passport – together with an expired passport if the currently valid passport was issued after the deadline mentioned in [Articles 11.2.b](#) or [11.3.a](#) of this Handbook – when requesting the verification of a player in the Backend. The verification request shall only be approved if name, gender and date of birth of the profile match exactly the data on the submitted passport. If this data does not match, the player shall edit the profile accordingly before verification is requested.

12.8. In case the expired passport was kept by the passport issuing authority, a confirmation from the passport issuing authority with a certified translation to English stating the passport number as well as issue and expiry date of this expired passport shall be submitted.

12.9. Further, a FIBA MAP entry that clarifies that the player had met the passport criteria before the deadline mentioned in [Articles 11.2.b](#) or [11.3.a](#) of this Handbook may replace the passport during the verification process.

12.10. For players in U17, U18 and U23 Competitions FIBA may request at its discretion other supporting documents to clarify the nationality of a player in case such player cannot prove with a FIBA MAP entry or passport that the passport criteria had been met before the deadline mentioned in [11.3.a](#) of this Handbook. However, such verification then shall only be valid for U17, U18 and U23 competitions, but not for competitions in the Open category.

12.11. For competitions where players must hold a particular ranking position or a minimum number of ranking points in order to be considered eligible for this competition, only players verified before 12.00 UTC of one day prior to the opening of the player registration for this competition will be considered. Players verified



after the communicated deadline will not be considered nor eligible.

13. Player and Delegate Registration to FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competitions

[Note: FIBA recommends National Member Federations to maintain a pool of at least ten (10) potential national team players per category].

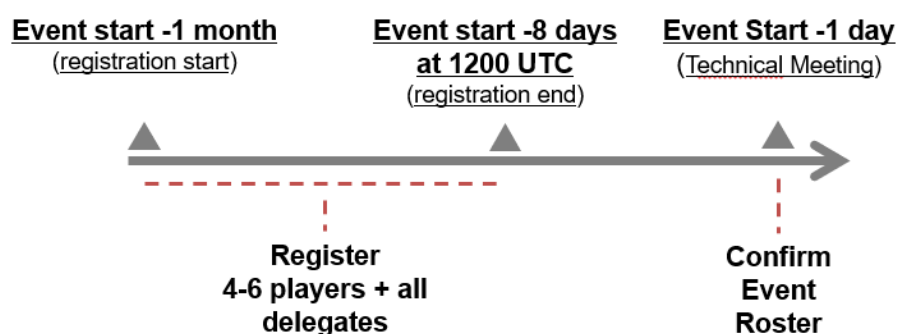
- 13.1. Player and team delegate registration for all FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competitions shall run exclusively through the *NT Management* section in the Backend. FIBA shall not accept any player or team delegate registration by email or other means of communication.
- 13.2. The mandatory data for each player during player registration shall include height and jersey number that the player will wear at the event. Registering incorrect jersey number(s) that require FIBA to change the jersey number(s) at the Technical Meeting shall lead to an administrative fine per incorrect number as regulated in [Annex 1 to FIBA 3x3 Handbooks](#), incorrect jersey number(s) in a game shall lead to an administrative fine per incorrect number as regulated in [Annex 1 to FIBA 3x3 Handbooks](#).
- 13.3. National Member Federations must register four eligible players for the four Event Roster slots per team for each competition. National Member Federations may only register players whose eligibility has already been verified by FIBA (see article 6-29).
- 13.4. For all FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competitions, except for the NL, National Member Federations should register two (2) eligible potential Substitutes for the two Substitute slots until one week prior to competition start. After the lapse of this deadline, no other potential Substitutes can be nominated.

Further, all team delegates shall be registered until one week prior to the competition start. Delegates shall only require a confirmed play.fiba3x3.com profile. Verification of delegates is not necessary.

FIBA may, in its discretion, grant an extension of this deadline, by applying an administrative fee per player or team delegate as regulated in [Annex 1 to FIBA 3x3 Handbooks](#).

- 13.5. Player and team delegate registration for all FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competitions, except for the NL, opens one month prior to the event and closes one week prior to the event (see Diagram 1).

Diagram 1: Player and Team Delegate registration deadlines



FIBA may amend by circular letter to the National Member Federations the above registration deadlines.

FIBA may in its discretion grant National Member Federations that fail to register four (4) players by closing of registration an extension of 48h to complete their registration. Such extension shall come at an administrative fee.

- 13.6. With the closing of registration, any player registered for one of the four Event Roster slots and any player registered for one of the two Substitute slots is locked into the Extended Roster and cannot be removed anymore from the roster. FIBA may grant exceptions to this limit of six players until 24 hours prior to the competition start for an administrative fee as regulated in [Annex 1 to FIBA 3x3 Handbooks](#).
- 13.7. At all FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competitions the National Member Federation may substitute the registered Event Roster players with registered Substitutes at their discretion until the Technical Meeting of the competition without giving any reasons to FIBA. Such substitutions shall be done by the National Member Federation in the Backend via the *Substitute* button next to each event roster player in the *NT Management* section. After the closing of the Technical Meeting no more roster changes are possible.
- 13.8. For FIBA 3x3 World Cups and World Cup Qualifiers in the Open category, four players from the extended roster (and minimum two of the players from the event roster) shall be within the country's top 10. These players shall be eligible and verified players in the applicable gender category of the FIBA 3x3 Individual World Ranking one day (at 1200 UTC) before the start of player registration to the relevant competition. For the avoidance of doubt, this article is not applicable to FIBA 3x3 U18 and U23 World Cups or any FIBA 3x3 Zone Cups.
- 13.9. National Member Federations that fail to register four players per team prior to the closing of registration or the extended deadline referred to in [Article 13.6](#) of this Handbook shall lose their participation right, may be replaced through a decision of FIBA by a substitute team, and sanctioned as set forth in article 6-40 IR. Additionally, a ban from participating in any FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competition for a period of time not exceeding one Olympic cycle may be imposed by the Secretary General.
- 13.10. National Member Federations that appear with only three players for a team at the Technical Meeting of a competition may be sanctioned with an administrative fine as regulated in [Annex 1 to FIBA 3x3 Handbooks](#).
- 13.11. For the NL, National Member Federations may carry an Extended Roster of six players per team for the season. Players are locked into the Extended Roster and cannot be removed anymore as soon as they play in one leg of the NL. FIBA may grant exceptions for removing up to two locked-in players for an administrative fee as regulated in [Annex 1 to FIBA 3x3 Handbooks](#). Players that have not yet played may be removed from the Extended Roster at any time. In case a National Member Federation has more than one team of a gender in the U23 NL, no player shall play in more than one U23 NL team of the National Member Federation.

For the NL, the relevant National Member Federation shall register a minimum of four players until one week prior to the start of the respective Conference and shall maintain a minimum of four players on the registered roster at all times during the NL season (including the Final). It shall be possible to add in the Backend, until the start of the Technical Meeting of a leg, further players or replace players not yet locked into the roster.
- 13.12. The final roster of a team for a NL stop shall be announced by the National Member Federation at the Technical Meeting of the respective leg. FIBA staff on site of a NL stop will not check player eligibility. Therefore, players not registered by the Technical Meeting are not allowed to enter the competition.
- 13.13. Processes and deadlines for player registration for FIBA 3x3 Recognised National Team Competitions will be defined and communicated by the organising body of the respective competition.

14. Pool Seeding

14.1. In all FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competitions, teams are seeded into pools according to the rank of the National Member Federation in the respective category of the FIBA 3x3 Federation Ranking as of the first day of the month in which the pools are published, as per Diagram 4. Special rules may be enacted for Olympic Games, Youth Olympic Games, Olympic Qualifying Tournaments, and the NL.

For NL seedings, please refer to articles 14.3 and 14.4 of this Handbook.

Diagram 4: Pool seeding methodology table

Pool A	Pool B	Pool C	Pool D
Team 1 <i>(highest rank)</i>	Team 2 <i>(2nd highest rank)</i>	Team 3 <i>(3rd highest rank)</i>	Team 4 <i>4th highest rank</i>
		Team 5 <i>(5th highest rank)</i>
Team n <i>(lowest rank)</i>			

Note: Dashed arrows in the original diagram indicate the seeding process: Team 1 to 2, 2 to 3, 3 to 4, 4 to 5, 5 to n, and n to 1.

14.2. For the NL, teams shall be seeded according to the FIBA 3x3 Federation Ranking seven (7) days prior to the respective Triple/Sextuple.

In a NL Triple with two pools teams shall be seeded as follows:

Stop 1		Stop 2		Stop 3	
Pool A	Pool B	Pool A	Pool B	Pool A	Pool B
highest rank	2nd-highest rank	2nd-highest rank	highest rank	highest rank	2nd-highest rank
4th-highest rank	3rd-highest rank	4th-highest rank	3rd-highest rank	3rd-highest rank	4th-highest rank
5th-highest rank	6th-highest rank	5th-highest rank	6th-highest rank	5th-highest rank	6th-highest rank

15. Technical Meeting

15.1. Unless otherwise decided by FIBA, the technical meeting shall take place at 21.00 local time of the day prior to competition start.

15.2. Every participating National Member Federation must be represented by at least one English-speaking team representative with all required documents and the team uniforms.

For teams missing the Technical Meeting, FIBA shall arrange a second Technical Meeting in the morning of Day 1 of the competition, for which FIBA may charge an administrative fee to the team that failed to appear at the Technical Meeting as regulated in [Annex 1 to FIBA 3x3 Handbooks](#).

15.3. The team representative must bring the following to the Technical Meeting:

- Original passport of each participating player (ID cards are not accepted)
- One complete set of dark-coloured uniforms and one complete set of light-coloured uniforms
- Team roster with jersey numbers
- [FIBA 3x3 Player Entry Forms](#), if not already provided in another FIBA 3x3 Official Competition in the current year. The entry form must be signed by all players or their legal guardian in the case of minors
- Registration forms for Dunk Contests (as relevant) (will be sent out by FIBA)

15.4. Documents still missing at the end of the Technical Meeting may be handed in at the latest by the start of the relevant team's first game. FIBA may charge an administrative fee for this late submission as regulated in [Annex 1 to FIBA 3x3 Handbooks](#).

Players who are not identified to FIBA's satisfaction or who have not provided the signed FIBA 3x3 Player Entry Form before the start of their first game, shall not be allowed to enter the competition.

16. National Team Uniforms

- 16.1. The national team uniforms for all FIBA 3x3 Official National Competitions must comply with the regulations on team uniforms in FIBA Official Competitions, as set forth in [Book 2 of the FIBA Internal Regulations](#). Regarding additional accessories the provisions of the Official 3x3 Basketball Rules shall apply.
- 16.2. The FIBA 3x3 “infinity” logo may not be displayed on national team jerseys except if the team wears apparel of FIBA’s Global Partner. In any case, the [FIBA 3x3 Branding Guidelines](#) must be followed.
- 16.3. Each team must bring two sets of jerseys – one set of light colour and one set of dark colour.
- 16.4. Players may not change their jersey number during the competition, irrespective of dark or light jersey. Players must wear the jersey number confirmed in the Technical Meeting.
- 16.5. For uniforms not complying with this Handbook, the FIBA 3x3 Branding Guidelines, or the FIBA IR, an administrative fine may be applied as regulated in [Annex 1 to FIBA 3x3 Handbooks](#).
- 16.6. For other ancillary gear, accessories, or equipment not complying with the Official 3x3 Basketball Rules, an administrative fine per player per game may be applied.
- 16.7. For incorrect jersey number(s) in a game, an administrative fine per incorrect number may be applied as regulated in [Annex 1 to FIBA 3x3 Handbooks](#).

17. Delegations in FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competitions

- 17.1. Team delegations in FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competitions are made up of a maximum of eight persons per team. Consequently, each team is entitled to a maximum of eight accreditations; National Member Federations with a men's and a women's team in a FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competition are entitled to a maximum of 16 accreditations. This shall not include National Member Federation staff members that are registered through the media accreditation system.
- 17.2. Any team delegate for a competition shall be registered through the Backend. Only delegation members holding a confirmed profile on play.fiba3x3.com can get registered. Passport upload shall not be required. The same deadline as for players registration shall be applicable. FIBA will channel all communication during the competition with the teams through these registered team delegates. In case no team delegates are registered, no accreditations for team delegates will be issued and the maximum number of accreditations per team as per Article 17.1 of the present Handbook shall be reduced accordingly. Registration of team delegate(s) after the closing of registration shall come with an administrative fee per team delegate as regulated in [Annex 1 to FIBA 3x3 Handbooks](#).
- 17.3. Accreditations for individual and personal use and are not transferable. Abuse of accreditation privileges, such as but not limited to passing on the accreditation to third persons, ignoring access limitations, shall lead to the removal of accreditation privileges, in addition to the imposition of administrative fines to the respective National Member Federation as regulated in [Annex 1 to FIBA 3x3 Handbooks](#).
- 17.4. The host of a FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competition is responsible for covering the full-board accommodation and local transportation of
- a. four players and one team delegate per team in the U17 and U18 category and
 - b. four players per team in the U23 and Open category
- This responsibility of the host shall be from hotel check-in time, one day before competition start, until hotel check-out time, one day after the competition ends. The National member Federation shall cover full-board accommodation and transportation costs for any additional persons travelling with the team or any extended stay.
- 17.5. The host of a FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competition is responsible for assisting the participating National Member Federations by providing invitation letters for the visa application upon request by the participating National Member Federation. The participating National Member Federation is entirely responsible of covering the costs of the visa application, contacting the host for the necessary documents and obtaining the necessary visas on time.
- 17.6. National Member Federations not providing their travel details for a FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competition within the deadline communicated by FIBA in the circular letter may be deprived of airport transfer as provided by the host.
- 17.7. The host of a FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competition shall only hold the minimum number of rooms per team (two double rooms in U23 and Open category; two double rooms and one single room in the U17 and U18 category) if a National Member Federation does not provide the required number of rooms for their teams within the deadline communicated by FIBA in the circular letter.
- 17.8. National Member Federations arranging the arrival of their teams or departure from airports other than the ones communicated by FIBA in the circular letter shall be entirely responsible for the arrangement and the



costs for the transfer to and from such airports.

- 17.9. National Member Federations are entirely responsible for arrangement and costs of their delegation's international travels to a FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competition.

18. Individual Contest

- 18.1. The Dunk Contest shall be held only at FIBA 3x3 World Cups in the Open category. The format of the Dunk Contest is regulated as per the Appendix 1 to this Handbook.
- 18.2. In each Dunk Contest one gold medal, one silver medal and one bronze medal shall be awarded.
- 18.3. Every participating National Member Federation may register one male athlete for the Dunk Contest in FIBA 3x3 World Cups in the Open category. Said athlete may be registered in addition to the team roster of four players but he may participate only in the Dunk Contest. In such a case, the additional athlete's National Member Federation must cover full-board accommodations for him during his stay. Further, any athlete who has won a Dunk Contest at a FIBA 3x3 World Tour event during the season preceding the FIBA 3x3 World Cup in question, may be invited by FIBA to take part in the Dunk Contest of said World Cup. Such invitation will not impact a National Member Federation's quota of a maximum of four players plus an optional athlete participating in the Dunk Contest. Every player/athlete participating in the Dunk Contest shall wear his National Member Federation's national team uniform. In case the National Member Federation does not allow the additional athlete to wear the national team uniform in the Dunk Contest, FIBA may allow the athlete to participate with a neutral uniform under the FIBA flag.
- 18.4. FIBA, acting through the Secretary General, is entitled to modify the format of an Individual Contest.

19. Fees, Fines & Sanctions

- 19.1. FIBA may apply a standard set of administrative fees, fines and sanctions for exceptions to and infractions and violations of the present Handbooks as per the [Annex 1 to FIBA 3x3 Handbooks – Fees, Fines & Sanctions Catalogue](#).
- 19.2. In case of outstanding competition-related fees or administrative fines imposed in connection to participation in previous FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competitions (i.e. team registration fees, administrative fees or fines, hosting-related license or contribution fees) the teams from such National Member Federation may not be able to register for any FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competition until all such pending payments have been settled.
- 19.3. If a National member Federation does not provide all documents listed in [Article 15.3](#) of this Handbook prior to the first game of a registered team, such a team may be disqualified by FIBA and in that case will be deemed to have withdrawn after the team's participation became binding.
- 19.4. A disqualified team will
- f) not be awarded individual ranking points
 - g) will not be ranked in the standings of the given event.
- 19.5. The disqualification will have no impact on the standings of other teams in the same event.
- 19.6. National Member Federations are jointly liable for any fines imposed upon a player of their teams. Accordingly, such National Member Federation will be invoiced for such a fine.
- 19.7. If a player is suspended or disqualified during a FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competition, the suspension will be served in the next FIBA 3x3 Official Competition where the player's national team or Pro Circuit team (if applicable) is qualified and registered, whichever happens first.
- 19.8. If a player is charged with a Disqualifying Foul during a FIBA 3x3 Official National Team Competition, such a player will be disqualified for the rest of such competition and face an automatic one FIBA 3x3 Official Competition suspension, without prejudice to the imposition of an administrative fine as regulated in [Annex 1 to FIBA 3x3 Handbooks](#). Depending on the severity of the violation, FIBA may also initiate disciplinary proceedings against the player.
- 19.9. As per rule 1-107 letter c IR, players and team delegates shall accept the referees' decisions without arguing. To that extent, players and team delegates must refrain from approaching referees after the conclusion of a games to challenge field of play decisions. Appropriate forms to make any observations or complaints regarding the conduction of the game are available with the Sports Team on site. Depending on the seriousness of a violation to this article, FIBA may impose administrative sanctions as regulated in [Annex 1 to FIBA 3x3 Handbooks](#) and may also initiate disciplinary proceedings against the player or delegate.
- 19.10. Any player or team delegate involved in violent conduct, verbal abuse or physical aggression against game officials (3-156 IR) or Basketball Officials (1-88 IR) will be disqualified for the rest of the competition and face an automatic one FIBA 3x3 Official Competition suspension, without prejudice to the imposition of an administrative fine as regulated in [Annex 1 to FIBA 3x3 Handbooks](#). Depending on the severity of the violation, FIBA may initiate disciplinary proceedings against the player or delegate.

Appendix 1: Format of the Dunk Contest

1. The Dunk Contest format is as follows:

a) Rules:

The jury is composed of five members or, if not feasible, by three members. Each judge will score zero or any number from five to 10). Only successful dunks are graded.

In each round the first successful dunk of up to three attempts will be counted. If the first or second attempt is successful, there will be no further attempts.

It is considered an attempt if the ball or hand touches the rim with the intention to complete the dunk. An attempt is considered successful if the ball, after leaving the athlete's hand and entering the basket from above, does not leave the rim in an upward vertical direction.

In case of three unsuccessful attempts in a round, the athlete will receive zero points for this round. The highest and the lowest score are not taken into consideration and only the remaining three scores account for the score of a successful dunk.

In case of a draw the tied dunkers are each given one additional dunk (three attempts). Tie-breaking dunks are not graded, but the jury will take a majority decision after the last player has completed the final dunk attempt. Tiebreakers shall only be implemented for medal positions or positions to advance to further rounds.

b) Qualification:

There will be two rounds. The results of the two rounds are added up to a total score.

The athletes will start in alphabetical order (by family name).

Athletes will have 75 seconds to execute a dunk, starting from the moment their name is announced. The athlete needs to start his final attempt before the time runs out.

The four athletes with the highest score after the two rounds shall advance to the Semi-Final.

c) Semi-Final:

The same format of competition will apply as in the qualification rounds.

The athlete with the lowest score in the qualification rounds will go first and the athlete with the highest score will go last. In case of a tied score, the alphabetical order (by family name) will define the starting order.

The scores of the qualification rounds are not carried over to the Semi-Final, i.e. the scores start from zero again.

The two athletes with the highest score in the Semi-Final will advance to the Final.



The athlete with the third highest score in the Semi-Final will be the winner of the bronze medal.

d) Final

The same competition format will apply as in the qualification rounds and the Semi-Final with two exceptions: the athletes will compete in three rounds and there will be no time limit for the dunk attempts in the third round of the Final.

The athlete with the lower score in the Semi-Final will go first and the athlete with the higher score will go second. In case of a tied score, the alphabetical order (by family name) will define the starting order.

The scores of the Semi-Final are not carried over to the Final, i.e. the scores start from zero again. The athlete with the highest total score in the Final will be the gold medal winner, the second finalist will be the silver medal winner.