

Scottish Student Basketball Trophy 2023/24 – Rules and Regulations

The fixtures will be published on SSS Playwaze within 10 days of the entry deadline having passed. The fixture details will be circulated via the relevant Sports Unions and via Scottish Student Basketball social media channels. Fixtures are to be updated with players on each team sheet before each match and scores by the Captains after each match. Please click [HERE](#) for a 'How To' Guide for the SSS Playwaze system to ensure you and your players are signed up properly.

The main points of contact for Trophy fixtures will be;

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Rules and Regulations

1. All fixtures shall follow the FIBA, BasketballScotland and BUCS rules and regulations, except where there are variations discussed below
2. One male and one female team per institution is permitted, this should be the 1st team, or highest performing team available (no 2nd teams will be allowed to enter unless very exceptional circumstances arise, at which their entry will be at the discretion of the SSS Competition Staff)
3. The play-by dates will be as follows

Round 1- 18th October | Quarter Finals – 8th November | Semi-Finals – 22nd November

4. Eligibility

- a) All players must be a fully matriculated student with a Higher Educational Institution in Scotland and have to be members of their relevant Sports Union
- b) All players must be eligible to compete under BUCS eligibility rules
- c) Players must have played in a previous round to the competition to be eligible to compete in the Final. Exceptional circumstances may be allowed; such as long standing injury where evidence can be supplied

5. Facility Requirements

- a) It is the responsibility of the Home Team to book the match facilities which should, whenever possible, conform to the standard set out by FIBA
- b) All matches require suitable team benches and a table for table officials and sufficient scoreboard visible to both parties for the duration of the match, as per BUCS regulations
- c) Balls: Women will play with a Size 6, Men will play with a Size 7. Either the new SBC Wilson game ball or existing Molten balls are permitted for use, as per BUCS regulations. Finals will be played with the current Scottish Basketball Championship game ball
- d) All matches will be played by 4 x 10 minute quarters, with a minimum 20 minute warm up and 10 minute half time



6. Officials

- a) All matches must be officiated by officials fulfilling the BUCS Match Officials Requirements (Appendix 5) pertaining to the Home Team
- b) Table officials should also fulfil the same criteria as above
- c) Shot Clocks will not become mandatory until the semi-final stage of the competition
- d) All matches will be officiated using FIBA standard paper scoresheets, available via BasketballScotland
- e) It is the responsibility of the Home Team to provide sufficient officials for the match and to pay official costs. However, both teams can contribute to the team of officials, where there is an agreement between both teams

7. Fixture Administration

- a) All communication regarding fixtures must be via the relevant Sports Union Fixture Administrator of the home and away team – not between Team Captains or Club Committee Members
- b) All fixture details must be confirmed 5 days before the fixture date
- c) Fixtures may be rearranged (using current BUCS Fixture Administration regulations as best practice) via the communication channels identified in Point 7a.
- d) Each round is to be completed by the play-by date set within the fixtures being released. Extensions will not be available unless under exceptional circumstances
- e) Where two teams cannot agree to a fixture date by the relevant play-by deadline, the match will go to coin toss by default, to be completed by the SSS Competitions Assistant with an independent verifier
- f) BUCS Walkover regulations will apply to all rounds of the competition. Where a winner cannot be determined, the process outline in Point 7e. will be followed

8. Reporting of Scores and Times

- a) A good quality copy/photo of the scoresheet should be sent to both Fixture Administrators after each fixture
- b) A good quality copy/photo of the scoresheet should be retained by both teams should it be required by SSS office
- c) It is the responsibility of the Winning Team to update SSS Playwaze with the result of each match and within 2 working days of the fixture being completed

9. Complaints

- a) If a team has concerns about a fixture not adhering to the regulations outlined in this document, it is recommended that they inform the SSS Competitions Assistant and the SSB Performance and Competitions Rep. A [‘Playing Under Protest’ \(PUP\) Form](#) should be completed in advance of the match taking place should either team be concerned
- b) If a team wishes to challenge a result, then they should provide all information possible (including [PUP](#)) to their Sports Union who should then get in touch with the SSS Office. SSS staff (with possible assistance from the SSB Performance and Competitions Rep) will consider the appeal and communicate the decision through the Sports Union