



BASKETBALL BALLARAT

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Basketball Ballarat No Zone Policy

U8 through U14 No Zone Rule:

At no stage is a Zone defence permitted during a Basketball Ballarat game in the U8, U10, U12 or U14 age group.

No Zone Procedure

How the rule works:

- Coaches are not permitted to instruct players to play a zone defence, they must play a 'man to man' defence.
- If a coach has not instructed a team to play a zone, but their team is still playing one, it is the coaches job to enforce the rule. No excuses will be tolerated.

Basketball Ballarat court supervisors will determine if violations are correct based on:

- One or more players not in correct man to man positions, paying little attention to their opponent.
- A cutter moved all the way through the key and was not defended using acceptable man to man principals
- The defending team press the ball and did not assume man to man coverage once the ball advanced past half court

How to make a complaint:

- At no stage is a parent or player to make a complaint at all
- No one should approach a referee or opposition coach to make a complaint
- All complaints must come from a team coach or team manager, and be directed to the venue supervisor for their review
- Once the supervisor has viewed the game, they will decide if punishments need to be handed out and they will approach the referees, when appropriate

When the NO ZONE rule does not apply:

- If the team has only 4 players on the court

Penalties:

- **1st Offence:** Warning to offending team staff
- **2nd Offence:** Tech foul to offending team coach
- **3rd Offence:** Disqualifying foul to offending team coach
- **4th Offence:** Game will be forfeited by offending team upon it's completion
- **NOTE:** The warning will only be given out once per team, per game. After that the 1st offence will be a tech foul on offending coach.

