



**MEMO**

**Date:** October 31, 2017  
**To:** ASAA Member Schools  
**cc:** Marla Van Gelder, ABOA  
**From:** Deanna Metro, Assistant Director  
Jeromy Hall, Boys Basketball Commissioner  
Wade Hicks, Girls Basketball Commissioner  
**Re:** Adoption of new FIBA rules for 2017/18 ASAA Basketball season

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FIBA released a new set of updated rules that came into effect as of October 1, 2017. As per ASAA policy (Section V ACTIVITIES, 9. Page 63) the rules in place at the start of the Season of Play will be followed for the entire season. ASAA **will be adopting** all proposed FIBA rule changes for the 2017/18 season.

**IMPORTANT:** Below are three important highlights of the rule changes but there are a number of other minor changes that should be reviewed by all schools. A Google Drive file has been created by ABOA to store all relevant documents that serve to identify the new rules but also to clarify them. The file is located on the [ASAA website](#).

1. **Travelling Rule**

New wording:

*While moving and having one foot on the floor while catching the ball or ending a dribble the next foot or feet to touch the floor is "Step 1" and will become the pivot foot.*

2. **Uniform and Accessories**

*All accessories must be of the same colour for all players of the team (either black, white or team uniform dominant colour).*

3. **Game Disqualification (Player/Coach Ejection)**

*Purpose: The game disqualification is now also valid for 1 technical foul and 1 unsportsmanlike foul.*

*Changes: A player shall also be disqualified for the remainder of the game when he is charged with 1 technical and 1 unsportsmanlike foul. A player coach shall also be disqualified for the remainder of the game when he is charged with 2 technical fouls against his person where 1 of these fouls may also be an unsportsmanlike foul against him as a player.*

I strongly encourage all coaches to review the rules and videos located in the Google Drive file noted above.

Please note that the ASAA Board of Governors will review the Game Disqualification rule (Player/Coach Ejection) at the ASAA Annual Planning Meeting on November 30-December 1, 2017. The Board of Governors will determine how this new rule will be applied at the 2018 Provincial Championships with respect to the 1 game suspension that results from a player/coach game disqualification. Communication on this direction will be sent out following the meeting.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact Deanna Metro at the ASAA office at 780-427-8182 or [deanna@asaa.ca](mailto:deanna@asaa.ca).

Good luck in your upcoming basketball season.

