



# **FIBA RULE CHANGES**

## **Implementation in MWBA Local Competitions**

In October 2018, FIBA issued a series of Rule Changes. Not all of the changes are relevant to MWBA Local competitions, but those that are relevant are listed below.

**These rules changes will all be implemented from the start of the new season in February 2019.**

### **Article 17 – Throw in after an Unsportsmanlike Foul, Disqualifying Foul or Fighting**

All throw ins as part of an Unsportsmanlike Foul, Disqualifying Foul or Fighting shall be administered from the throw-in line in the team's front court.

The throw in to start the second half shall remain from the centre line as this is not part of a penalty for an infraction.

### **Article 29 – Time Out in Last Minute**

In the last minute of the second half the coach with a team's backcourt throw in will decide after his Time Out if the game will be resumed in the front or back court.

If front court, the game will be resumed at the throw in line opposite the score table. If back court, the game will restart at the nearest point to the foul or violation prior to the Time Out.

### **Article 36 – Technical Foul**

If a Technical Foul is called, 1 free throw shall be awarded. After the free throw, the game shall be resumed by the team which has control of the ball or was entitled to the ball from the point when the Technical Foul was called.

#### **Working example**

A1 is in control of the ball in his front court when a Technical Foul is called on A3 for swearing at the referee.

Interpretation: The game shall be stopped and the free throw for the Technical Foul will be administered immediately. After the free throw is taken by any Team B player for A3's Technical Foul, the ball will be awarded to Team A for a throw in from the front court, at the nearest point on the sideline from where the ball was when the game was stopped for the Technical Foul.

On multiple fouls and special situation, the technical foul/s will be shot immediately and all remaining penalties will be administered in the order they occur.