

# **BRITISH WHEELCHAIR BASKETBALL**

## **LOCAL LEAGUE SANCTIONING**

### **SEASON 2021-22**

**(1<sup>ST</sup> SEPTEMBER 2021 TO 31<sup>ST</sup> AUGUST 2022)**





# LOCAL LEAGUES

## **WHAT ARE LOCAL LEAGUES?**

Local Leagues provide appropriate and accessible playing opportunities for all levels of participation. They are an extremely important part of the Wheelchair Basketball Pathway. Not all players, coaches and officials want the commitment and on court standards (rules and regulations) that come with competing in the BWB National Leagues.

## **LOCAL LEAGUE SANCTIONING**

Empowering more Local Leagues to develop competitive opportunities, with rules and formats to suit their requirements is vital to encouraging more people to play the sport across the UK.

BWB's Local League Sanction provides all of the off court support and governance required to ensure safe play, promotion and best practice.

## **WHAT IS A LOCAL LEAGUE SANCTION?**

A Local League Sanction ensures the league is covered by all relative safeguards and provides best practice and support for organisers and participants. It also provides an online platform and App to manage data, generate fixtures, league tables and communicate with league participants directly.

Playing an integral role in the sports' pathway, sanctioned Leagues will be an integral part of the Wheelchair Basketball family, providing local competitive opportunities in a more flexible environment.

## **WHAT IS INCLUDED IN A LOCAL LEAGUE SANCTION?**

Running a competitive league comes with a number of responsibilities when it comes to ensuring the safest possible environment. The BWB League Sanction covers your organisation to ensure best possible governance and support.

This includes:

- Public Liability and products liability insurance up to £10,000,00
- BWB governance, policies and procedures
- Safeguarding and Welfare support
- Rules and Disciplinary support
- Online digital system and mobile App compliant with GDPR and functions for:
  - Fixture Generation
  - League Tables
  - Member management and communication

- Instant results updating
- online fee collection
- Events organisation and invites (eg organisation of AGM and Meetings)
- Promotion and marketing of league in the lead up and during

### HOW DOES IT WORK?

Teams are covered by all benefits included in the League Sanction for all of your League games. You will decide on the format, rules and regulations for your league, as well as team and player eligibility. BWB does not require any influence over these decisions as it is based on local need. Variations in leagues rules and regulations come in the various areas, for example:

- Format –
  - 3x3, 5v5, Inclusive Zone Basketball
  - Age groups
  - Gender
  - Knock Out, Round Robin, Playoffs etc
- Eligibility – Some leagues may restrict the number of national league players per team or ensure a minimum number of females on court for instance
- Rules – Running Clock, Stop Clock, 2 halves, Team Fouls
- Classification – can range from no classification, through to full classification and combinations in between

\*Please note that teams are not covered for training or competition outside of their participation in the sanctioned league activity, unless they registered separately Club/Organisation with BWB directly.

### WHAT IS THE CRITERIA?

In order for a League to be sanctioned, BWB require a small number of requirements to be met:

Organisations must:

- Designate a Welfare Officer and Contact to liaise with BWB

- Submit a copy of rules and regulations
- Produce facility Risk Assessments
- Adhere to BWB Policies and Procedures
- Appoint a minimum of 1 qualified, registered BWB Referee
- Individuals must be registered as Members of BWB (ensuring enhanced personal accident insurance)
- Be registered with BWB as a Club/Organisation (ensuring Professional Indemnity, Management, Abuse and Employers' Liability Insurance)
- Have a designated COVID-19 Officer

Leagues must:

- Add value to the UK Competition pathway by providing positive playing opportunities for people not participating in BWB National Leagues and Competitions (Minimum of 60% non-BWB National League Player participation). This includes a commitment to support the development of teams to progress to their desired level within the established BWB UK Competition Pathway
- Administer their league fixtures, team sheets and league tables through the BWB Playwaze System and ensure all players and players and coaches produce a BWB license at games.

### HOW MUCH DOES IT COST?

In order to ensure the relevant support for Local Leagues, there is an annual Sanctioning fee based on the size of the league.

Organisation/Club Affiliation	£100
1 - 4 teams	£50
5 - 9 teams	£75
10 - 14 teams	£125
15 - 24 teams	£250

This includes any Playoffs or events organised within this such as Allstar Games or Cup Finals.



# LOCAL LEAGUE SANCTION APPLICATION FORM

Affiliated BWB Organisation wishing to apply for Local League / Event Sanctions in 2021/22 should provide as much information as possible in the application form below.

Organisations are requested to be as comprehensive as possible and complete all sections of the application form, as this information will contribute towards an assessment of the request.

All BWB sanctioned Local Leagues/ Event must be run via the BWB Playwaze membership system.

Submission Check List (please ensure you submit the following documents)

Local League/ Event Sanction Application Form

Venue Risk Assessment

Rules & Format

## Basic Details

Organisation Name	
BWB Affiliation Number	
Organisation Primary Contact Name	
Organisation Primary Contact Email Address	
Organisation Primary Contact Phone Number	
Organisation Welfare Officer Name	
Organisation Welfare Officer Email Address	
Organisation Welfare Officer Phone Number	
Name and contact number of lead contact on the date of fixtures	

## Financial Details

Please detail any in kind support and sponsorship	
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## Local League Outcomes

If successful with this application, what outcomes would the organisation be aiming for? (e.g. growth in Organisation members, increase in commercial sponsorship etc)	
Please outline the connectivity to the wider BWB UK Wheelchair Basketball Competition Pathway and the role your league plays in supporting the development of Athletes, Teams, Coaches and Officials to progress through the pathway?	

## Venue (Please supply photos of proposed space/equipment)

Proposed venue, including address	
Is there Parking at the venue? If so, it is pay and display or free?	
Size of Court	

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### Volunteers & Officials

How many volunteers will be required to deliver this Local League?

How many officials and at what level of qualification will be required to deliver this Local League?

Please confirm who the Local League is being aimed at?

### League Type

Expected age of Participants

Gender of participants (Male, Female or Mixed)

How many rounds of fixtures to be played

Dates of fixtures

### Fees

Please tick to indicate affiliation and/or sanction requirements:

Organisation Affiliation £100

1 - 4 teams £50

5 - 9 teams £75

10 -14 teams £125

15+ Teams £250

Total fees payable

Signed

Name

Role

Date

### Our Commitment

I confirm that the main driver of the League is to provide playing opportunities for people not participating in BWB National Leagues and Competitions (minimum of 60% non-BWB National League Players), with high quality competitive opportunities and provide a transitional pathway into the BWB UK National league structure for participants. This includes a commitment to actively recruiting new players and teams that aren't currently competing in National Leagues, and engaging with BWB to support the progression of players and teams to their desired level in the UK Competition Pathway.

### Please note:

- \* All participants must be individual BWB Members as per the criteria outlined
- \* All league or event organisers must be registered with BWB as a Club/Organisation or Inspire a Generation Local Delivery Partner

All Local League applications must be sent in to [membership@britishwheelchairbasketball.co.uk](mailto:membership@britishwheelchairbasketball.co.uk) at least 4 weeks prior to the first date of delivery.

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