



**Mel Young Easter
Classic
18th - 21st April 2025**

**TOURNAMENT
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Hosts:

Tauranga City Basketball Association





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Association Team Information

Closes 21st February 2025 (If places are available, entries will be accepted from non-Basketball Pacific teams)

2025 Mel Young Easter Classic Grades		
Age Groups	U12 (2014 - 2015)	All entries will be processed through Game Day Day Please email competitions@tauranga.basketball for registration and login details
	U14 (2012 - 2013)	
	U16 (2010 - 2011)	
	U18 (2008 - 2009)	
	U20 (2006 - 2007)	
	Inclusion teams	
	TUPU Women's	

Costs:

\$1,500.00 per team for Basketball Pacific Members

\$500.00 per team for Inclusion Teams

As part of the requirement of entry each Association must commit to bring to the tournament, a referee that is able to referee at a relevant level for each team, plus a referee trainer and a referee trainer course participant. BBNZ will be facilitating referee education.

FAILURE TO MEET ANY OF THE ENTRY COMMITMENTS WILL RESULT IN A \$250.00 CHARGE TO THE ASSOCIATION PER FAILURE

Basketball Pacific reserves the right to determine final team entries. If teams don't have a nominated referee their entry will not be accepted. Referees MUST be available to referee a minimum of 2 games per day. No player refs are allowed. If an association has a ref missing a rostered game for whatever reason a coach from that association will be rostered to ref.

Referees' accommodation and meals are the responsibility of their Association.





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Control

The Basketball Pacific Mel Young Easter Classic will be under the control and jurisdiction of Basketball Pacific Inc. as per the rules outlined.

The Event Coordinators for the Mel Young Easter Basketball Classic are:

Event Director

Mark Rogers

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Event Manager

Helen Richardson

Ph: 022 167 7113

Technical Commissioner

Alex Pou Poasa

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There will be venue controllers at each venue identifiable by the Blue Staff polos and hoodies. Referee educators will be in red polos and hoodies.

Game Details

➤ **U12 / U14 / Inclusion**

- 4 x 8-minute stop clock
- **Time Outs** 1 time-out per team per quarter (time-outs do not carry over into the next period).

➤ **U16 / U18 / U20 / TUPU**

- 4x 10-minute stop clock
- Time outs – as per FIBA rules

All Grades:

- **Quarter Times** - 1 minute
- **Half Time** - 2 minutes
- **Over Time** - 2 minutes for U12 / U14 / Inclusion
3 minutes for U16 / U18 / U20 / TUPU

Warm Up - Warm up time will depend on the completion of the previous game. If there is not enough time between the completion of the previous game and the start of the next game, teams will need to find an alternate warm up area. Games need to start on time!

Spectators and team players who are not involved in the actual game on the court, will not be permitted to be on the court during time-outs, or quarter and half-time breaks.

Venues:

- Mercury Baypark, 81 Truman Lane, Te Maunga (off SH29) (formerly Trustpower)
- Haumaru Centre, 483 Cameron Road, Tauranga (formerly The Warehouse, opposite Pak'nSave)
- Tauranga Boys College, Gym entrance Devonport Road, Tauranga
- Mt Sports Centre, 2 Hull Road, Mt Maunganui.





The venues will only open their doors half an hour before the first game.

Medical Information

Tauranga Hospital is situated at 798 Cameron Road, Tauranga.

The closest seven-day medical centre to Mercury Baypark / Mt Sports Centre is Bayfair Doctors which is situated at 42 Girven Road, Mt Maunganui.

In Tauranga, the Accident and Emergency Clinic is situated at the corner 2nd Avenue and Devonport Road it also has an emergency dental clinic attached.

Prize Giving

There will be short prize giving Ceremonies 15 mins after the Final for each grade is played. All Prize Giving's will be at Mercury Baypark and will be upstairs in the Suites. There are medals for 1st, 2nd and 3rd in each grade.

Team Bag Pickup

Team bags can be collected from Mercury Baypark on Friday morning (from 9.30am) by the Manager of each team. The Manager will need to complete the sign in form to collect the bag.

Rules

All FIBA & BBNZ rules will apply throughout this tournament. Should any situation arise which is not covered by these rules, then the Tournament Committee (Technical Commissioner, Tournament Director, a Basketball Pacific Executive Member) will have the sole power and discretion to make whatever ruling it deems appropriate given the circumstances. The decision of the Tournament Committee will be final.

Player eligibility rules are as those adopted by BBNZ in February 2022.

Judicial

Should any judicial or disciplinary issues arise, then these will be dealt with by the Tournament Disciplinary Committee (Technical Commissioner, Tournament Director, Basketball Pacific Executive Member) using the BBNZ Judicial Procedures and Guidelines which pertain and are in existence from 2019.

Any person that is ejected from a game whilst at the tournament will be given an automatic one game stand down and depending on the outcome of any Judicial Hearing further punishment may be imposed.

The penalty for any second or subsequent breach of the rules will be at the discretion of the Tournament Committee.

Team Responsibilities

- a) Team Rosters must be submitted before the team's first game. Names must be registered on the iPad, players cannot not be changed or added to after the team's first game. Players **can only be registered with one team** and must only play for that team throughout the tournament.





- b) All teams must play in regulation (and numbered) playing strip. Players in breach of this rule will not take the court until the appropriate uniform is worn.
- c) All team staff must be in appropriate attire (**no jandals, singlets, hats to be worn**)
- d) **All teams must provide two competent people to complete score bench duty for their team's games.**
- e) All teams and players must comply with the direction of the Tournament and Venue Staff. All stadium rules will apply to all players, management, and spectators
- f) Teams must be ready to take the court at the prescribed time for their respective games. Teams cannot take the court with less than five players. Should teams not have a minimum of five players available; by no later than five minutes after the scheduled start time of a game, then the offending team will forfeit the game. Two-win points will be awarded to the opposition team and zero to the offending team as per FIBA Rules.

MERCY RULE – Keeping within the spirit of the game at this Easter Tournament, the Mercy Rule will apply. Any team who is ahead by 30 points or more (for U16 grades and older and 20 points or more for U14 grades and younger) cannot play full court defence and must retreat to their 3-point line every time after they score. The defensive team cannot pick up the opposition until the ball crosses the centre line into their back court. Venue Controller may be called upon to ensure this happens. Failure to comply will result in an official warning followed by a technical foul on the coach for any second or future failure.

- g) Please make sure all valuables and rubbish are removed once your game has finished. Basketball Pacific Inc. is not liable for any valuables misplaced or stolen.
- h) Only players and three management staff (as listed on the score sheet) are permitted to sit on the team benches (no spectators, extra staff, or children).
- i) Teams are to supply their own ball to use in competition games. The referee will determine which ball will be used.
- j) Team benches will be determined by the name on the score sheet. Team A will sit on the left side and Team B will sit on the right side of the score bench (determined if you are standing on the same side as the score bench facing the court).
- k) Uniform colour will be determined by the name on the score sheet. Team A is to wear their light-coloured uniforms and Team B is to wear their dark coloured uniforms if there is a clash.
- l) Filming of games for team use is permitted. Recording devices must be placed to avoid obstruction or clutter. Teams will be asked to move these devices if tournament staff believe they need to be relocated.





COACH BEHAVIOUR CODE OF CONDUCT

To participate as a coach Basketball Pacific Mel Young Easter Classic, coaches are required to read and acknowledge agreement to the following Code of Conduct / rules of Basketball Pacific.

- Coaches shall always conduct themselves in a manner that reflects the spirit of fair play and sporting behaviour.
- They shall encourage positive communications between themselves and players, referees, administrators and the public.
- Coaches shall conduct themselves in manner that reinforces their place as a leader and role models for their players and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and by demonstrating positive support for all players, opposition coaches, officials and spectators at every game.
- Observe the letter and intent of the rules and regulations of basketball, and of the game, tournaments or competitions in which they are participating in, and insist that the players and teams under their direction do likewise.
- Remember that they have undertaken the responsibility of assisting their player to acquire the necessary knowledge and skills of basketball to achieve their potential, as well as promoting desirable traits in them. As youth coaches, remember that the game is for the players/children and not adults.
- Coaches shall accept refereeing decisions with good grace:
 - On-court approaches to referees shall be done by the on-court captain only and in accordance with the provisions of the FIBA Official Basketball Rules.
 - Coaches are to approach referees in a courteous and reasonable manner.
 - In matches involving Junior Referees, approaches can only be made to the Senior Referee, Referee Coordinator or Floor Controller.
- Coaches should refrain from:
 - Continually questioning decisions.
 - Dissenting from decisions, whether by words or body language.
 - Making gestures by waving arms, indecent body language, facial expressions, and other similar actions
 - Using rude, offensive, and/or threatening language.
- Head Coaches shall not encroach onto the playing floor during a game (other than as authorised by the FIBA Official Basketball Rules) or move out of the coach's box while the game is in progress.
- Given that assistant coaches must normally remain seated on the team bench, assistant coaches shall not assume actions or positions reserved for head coaches.





PLAYER BEHAVIOUR CODE OF CONDUCT

Players shall conduct themselves in a manner which brings credit to themselves and the game and shall:

- Play according to the letter and intent of the rules and regulations of basketball and of the game, tournament, or league in which they are participating.
- Play in a spirit of competitive sportsmanship accepting the official's decision without dissent.
- Control their behaviour on and off the court and refrain from any violent or abusive actions and language.
- Co-operate fully with their coach and teammates remembering that they are participating in a team sport.
- Respect their opponents and not participate in any baiting, verbal abuse, or intimidating activities.
- Be humble in victory and gracious in defeat.

- Players shall accept refereeing with good grace:
 - Approaches to referees shall be by the (court) captain and/or head coach only and in accordance with the provisions of the FIBA Official Basketball Rules.
 - Court captains (and coaches) are to approach referees in a courteous and reasonable manner. In matches involving Junior Referees, approaches can only be made to the Senior Referee, Referee Coordinator or Floor Controller
 - Players shall refrain from:
 - Continually following officials to question decisions.
 - Dissenting from decisions, either with words or body language.
 - Making gestures with waves of arms, indecent body language, facial expressions and other similar actions of dissent.
 - "Mouthing off" when officials turn their backs, or the player turns away from the official.
 - Using rude, offensive and/or threatening language.





PARENT & SPECTATOR BEHAVIOUR CODE OF CONDUCT

We have seen on occasion a range of poor behaviours demonstrated by spectators in the past.

- Parents and spectators should:
 - Remember that although the basketball at the event may, or may not, be at an elite level, it is still sport, and often junior sport, and is to be enjoyed by all participants.
 - Respect all participating players and officials as you would respect your own children and friends and applaud good performances by all participants.
 - Demonstrate appropriate social behaviour by not using foul or abusive language or actions, and by not harassing players, coaches, officials or other spectators.
 - Remember that destructive criticism has no place in basketball and especially in junior basketball. It is very hurtful to the recipient and ultimately reflects poorly on the game.

A reminder that even as a spectator you are a representative of your Association and the team your child plays for.

All spectators are to be seated or stand away from the court.

There will be ZERO tolerance for abusive / aggressive language or personal remarks directed at referees, coaches or players.

Any spectator not keeping to this Code of Conduct will be asked to leave the premises.





Technical Officials' Code of Conduct

Referees and other technical officials (including score bench personnel) have an important role in ensuring that acceptable behaviour is always displayed by all participants on the court. They shall:

- a. be mentally and physically prepared for the entire game or event.
- b. always maintain complete neutrality.
- c. accept their role as a communicator and role model for fair play.
- d. accept their role as a member of the "officials' team," embrace teamwork, co-operate with and assist fellow officials, score bench personnel and others associated with the game or event.
- e. ensure that all players have a fair and reasonable opportunity to perform to the best of their ability, within the rules and regulations of basketball and the game or event.
- f. conduct themselves in a professional manner both on and off the court.
- g. attend organised functions as a representative of referees and officials.
- h. remain open to constructive criticism and suggestions from the Technical Committee, or delegated authority, showing respect and consideration to those helping.

