

THE CONSTITUTION
NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR BASKETBALL HALL OF FAME

ARTICLE (1) NAME:

Newfoundland and Labrador Basketball Hall of Fame

ARTICLE (2) LOCATION:

St. John's, Capital City of the Province of Newfoundland

ARTICLE (3) OBJECTIVES:

1. To recognize, honor and pay tribute to all individuals, groups, associations, families or teams on the basis of either:
 - i. Playing ability, sportsmanship, character, and achieving extra-ordinary distinction in basketball, in amateur and/or professional athletics.
 - ii. Having given distinguished services, or, have made a major contribution to the development and advancement of basketball in Newfoundland.
2. To encourage the development of all aspects of basketball by permanently recording the achievements and history of such individuals, groups, associations, families or teams.
3. To encourage the development of all aspects of basketball by permanently recording achievements and history of the sport of basketball.
4. To carry out these objectives by establishing and maintaining a repository or center for the official archives of basketball in Newfoundland and Labrador and thereby to give public prominence to the achievements of such individuals, groups, associations, families, and teams involved with basketball.

ARTICLE (4) ADMINISTRATION:

The affairs of the Newfoundland and Labrador Basketball Hall of Fame shall be administered by the Executive Director and the Chairperson of the Hall of Fame.

The Chairperson will:

- i) Be a member of the Executive Board
- ii) Be responsible for choosing a Selection Committee which must be approved by the NLBA Executive Committee
- iii) Present a budget for the Hall of Fame to the Executive Committee for approval.

ARTICLE (5) FINANCES:

The cost of establishing and maintaining the Newfoundland and Labrador Basketball Hall of Fame shall be the responsibility of the Newfoundland and Labrador Basketball Association. The Hall of Fame celebration will be held every two years, and, for the purpose of this document, will be referred to as the Event Year.

ARTICLE (6) CLASSIFICATION OF MEMBERS:

There shall be four (4) categories of membership and enrollment in the Newfoundland and Labrador Basketball Hall of Fame:

1. **Athletes** - defined as a competitor or participant (individual, group, association, family or team), either amateur or professional, in basketball recognized by the Newfoundland and Labrador Basketball Association.
2. **Builders** - defined as any individual, group, association or family which has made a major contribution toward the promotion, development and advancement of basketball in Newfoundland and Labrador. Builders may include officials, managers, trainers, coaches, physical fitness instructors, administrators, and executive of athletic clubs, groups and associations etc.
3. **Officials** - defined as any individual, group, family, association who has combined dedication and participation in amateur or professional sport with continued interest and contribution toward the promotion, development and advancement of basketball officiating in Newfoundland and Labrador. These will be nominated by the Newfoundland Association of Basketball Officials (NABO).
4. **Athlete Builder** - defined as any individual, group, family, association or team who has combined competition and participation in amateur or professional sport with continued interest and contribution toward the promotion, development and advancement of basketball in Newfoundland and Labrador.

ARTICLE (7) SELECTION COMMITTEE:

1. The NLBA will appoint a chairperson at the Annual General Meeting of the NLBA in the year prior to the Event Year. This individual may hold office for three (3) successive events.
2. The Chairperson shall preside at all meetings of the Selection Committee, however, a member may be chosen to preside over a meeting should the Chairperson be unavailable for a particular meeting.
3. The Selection Committee shall consist of five (5) members:
 - i. Whose prestige, judgment and integrity are most likely to ensure a fair and impartial assessment of the qualities of the candidates submitted for

- consideration, and, maintain a very high standard of excellence in the selections.
- ii. Who are knowledgeable in the history, traditions, accomplishments, ability, skill, achievements, and contribution of Athletes, Builders, Officials, and Athlete/Builders in Newfoundland and Labrador.
 - iii. Who agree to keep the results of voting and discussion of candidates confidential
4. For consistency within the committee, the Chairperson can only select two (2) members who have had no experience on the committee. The remaining two (2) members must have had previous Hall of Fame committee experience. In the event that the Chairperson has had no experience on the committee, then three (3) members of the committee must have had previous Hall of Fame committee experience. Members of the Selection Committee may be appointed for a term of one (1) event or two (2) events in order to meet the requirement of Article 7.4.
 5. No individual on the selection Committee should be appointed for more than two (2) successive events outside of the Chair.
 6. The quorum for any meeting of the Selection Committee shall be four (4).
 7. There shall be no proxy for a member.
 8. Each meeting shall determine its own procedure, however, wherever possible proper parliamentary procedure shall be followed.
 9. In the event of the death or resignation of a member of the Selection Committee, the President of the NLBA shall appoint an individual to complete the term of the predecessor.

ARTICLE (8) ELIGIBILITY FOR ELECTION:

1. Athlete candidates shall be chosen based on having achieved extra-ordinary distinction, in amateur or professional basketball, on the basis of their playing ability, sportsmanship, and, character.
2. Builder Candidates shall be chosen based on having made a major contribution to the development and advancement of basketball in Newfoundland and Labrador.
3. Official Candidates shall be chosen based on their contribution to development and advancement of basketball officiating in Newfoundland and Labrador.
4. Athlete Builder Candidates shall be chosen based on their combined competition and participation in amateur or professional sport, and, continued interest and contribution toward the promotion, development and advancement of basketball in Newfoundland and Labrador.
5. No individual, group, association, family or team, shall be eligible for election to the Newfoundland Basketball Hall of Fame until a period of three (3) years has elapsed from the date of their retirement from active competition.
6. Only Builder Candidates can be eligible for election while still active in Basketball.
7. Members of the Selection Committee shall not be eligible for election to the Newfoundland and Labrador Basketball Hall of Fame while serving in office.

ARTICLE (9) ELECTION POSTHUMOUS:

1. Any person who shall die between the date of his election to the Newfoundland and Labrador Basketball Hall of Fame and the date of the enrollment ceremony shall be duly enrolled posthumously.
2. A deceased person may be a candidate for election to the Hall of Fame; and if so elected shall be enrolled posthumously.
3. At any induction ceremony held for the purpose of enrollment into the Newfoundland and Labrador Basketball Hall of Fame, a deceased person, so elected, shall be represented by an individual selected by the family in conjunction with the Selection Committee.

ARTICLE (10) PROCEDURE FOR NOMINATION AND ELECTION:

1. Any member of the NLBA may complete and submit nomination forms.
2. Members of the Selection Committee may each nominate any number of players, builders and officials to a maximum of three (3).
3. All nominations shall be in the hands of the Executive Director on or before June 30th during the year of the AGM prior to the Event year.
4. Nomination forms not in the hands of the Executive Director by June 30th during the year of the AGM prior to the Event year. Shall not be considered by the Selection Committee but will be held for submission for the succeeding event.
5. The Executive Director will immediately forward all Nomination Forms and supporting materials to the Chairperson immediately following the June 30th closing deadline of the year of the AGM prior to the Event year.
6. Members of the Selection Committee can request a nominator to supply additional information if the content contained in the nomination form and supporting document is insufficient.
7. The maximum number of overall candidates to be elected for each event shall be three (3).
8. The Selection Committee shall use voice vote in order to select candidates for election.
 - a. No voting will take place without the quorum of four (4) members being present.
 - b. At any time, any member can request the voting process be changed to secret ballot to ensure confidentiality and free vote.
 - c. No member may proxy his or her vote.
 - d. Each member is initially entitled to vote for three candidates, the maximum number of allowable elected.
 - e. Any candidate receiving unanimous approval from all voters present shall be declared elected.
 - f. Should the maximum number of candidates (3) not be elected upon the initial vote, a series of additional elections will take place whereby each member present will be entitled to vote for the number of candidates remaining to be elected.

- g. If, during any vote, there is no unanimous selection, any candidate receiving a minimum of 75% of the votes will be declared elected.
 - h. If, during any vote, a candidate receives no votes, their name will be removed from the ballot for all following elections remaining in that meeting.
 - i. If no consensus for three (3) candidates can be reached after four (4) elections, the committee will declare less than three (3) candidates elected.
 - j. Upon written request, the Selection Committee may petition the Executive Committee for special approval for one (1) additional candidate.
 - k. The chairperson shall then make a declaration of the ballot results and the successful candidates to the Executive Director of the NLBA.
9. All candidates not selected for induction in the Hall of Fame will have their nomination forms and supporting materials stored for consideration for subsequent events.

ARTICLE (11) PUBLICATION OF ELECTION:

1. Each newly elected candidate, or proxy if said candidate is unavoidably absent, shall be formally inducted into membership in the Newfoundland and Labrador Basketball Hall of Fame at an official ceremony. Each newly elected candidate, or proxy if said candidate is unavoidably absent, shall be formally inducted into membership in the Newfoundland and Labrador Basketball Hall of Fame at an official ceremony.
2. The Selection Committee, upon approval of the Executive Committee, will determine the time and place of the official induction ceremony.
3. The new member shall receive a suitable form of recognition as deemed appropriate by the NLBA Executive Committee.
4. The NLBA shall be responsible for establishing and maintaining a permanent roll of members elected to the Newfoundland and Labrador Basketball Hall of Fame as designated by the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE (12) PROCEEDINGS CONFIDENTIAL:

No member of the Selection Committee or the Executive Director shall at ~~anytime~~ any time divulge or disclose the results or other particulars of the voting, nor shall they disclose the vote of any member at any time.

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ARTICLE (13) AMENDMENTS:

No repeal or amendment of this Constitution shall be made except under all of the following conditions:

1. Notice of such proposed repeal or amendment has been fully given to the Executive Director of the NLBA at least 21 days prior to the date of the Annual General Meeting;
2. The Executive Director of the NLBA has forwarded a copy of every proposed repeal or amendment to all eligible voting delegates of the Newfoundland and Labrador Basketball Association 21 days prior to the date of the Annual General Meeting;
3. The proposed repeal or amendment is presented for discussion to the voting members at the Annual General Meeting;
4. A change shall only be effected by a majority of those duly qualified voters who are present and vote at the Annual General Meeting.

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