



## Melton Basketball Association Stadium Heat Policy:

Modified Heat Policy as per Basketball Victoria policy:

- All stadiums must be fitted with a thermometer.
- On hot days, court temperature must be taken hourly whilst the stadium is in use and must be recorded in a permanent record kept at the stadium. If the stadium is in sections, the temperature must be taken in each section.
- When the court temperature reaches 30°C, the Referee Supervisor on duty must consider implementing and where the temperature reaches 35°C, must implement the following timing rules:
- If a game is played in halves, the game time must be reduced by 2 minutes per half with 2 team timeouts per half. The referee must call an additional compulsory timeout close to the half way mark in each half. The clock must stop on the Referee Timeout. Each team must call a timeout at least once during each half. In the event the coaches do not call a timeout as required, the referees will intervene and call a timeout and attribute them to the respective teams.
- If a game is played in quarters, the referee must call an additional compulsory timeout in each quarter if no timeout has been called by halfway through the quarter.
- The clock must stop for every whistle in the last minute of the first half and the last 3 minutes of the second half (this may be modified for local conditions in domestic basketball).
- When the court temperature reaches 40°C games must be abandoned. Subject to any rule or ruling by a competition organiser.
- All other normal program playing/timing rules apply.