



Basketball Events (2)

Men's

Women's

How Olympic Basketball Works

Team USA has simply dominated Olympic basketball. The men's team is in search of their fifth straight gold medal and the women's team will be aiming for an unprecedented eighth-straight medal. The women will also bring in their 55-game Olympic win streak to Paris and will once again be heavy favorites.

You're likely at least somewhat familiar with how basketball works, but there are a couple of differences between Olympic (FIBA) rules compared to the NBA.

- An Olympic basketball game is played over four, 10-minute quarters. Players foul out after five fouls.
- The three-point line is the same one used in college basketball and the WNBA (hello, Steph Curry)
- Although allowed in the NBA, a "gather step" is not permitted in the Olympics, so the rules for traveling are a bit more strict.
- Goaltending rules are also a bit different. Players still are not permitted to hit or block the ball out of the air if the ball is on a downward trajectory towards the basketball. However, if the ball hits the rim (and is not in the cylinder of the basket), players on both offense and defense may play the ball even if the ball is still on the rim.
- Olympic or FIBA courts are slightly smaller, measuring 91.9 x 49.2 feet compared to a more traditional American court of 94 x 50 feet.



Tournament Format

Both the men's and women's events begin with **group play**. The teams are separated into three groups. Each team will face each of the opposing teams in their respective groups and the top two teams in each group (as well as two third-place teams) will advance to the **knockout stage** of the tournament.

In the knockout stage, the teams will be divided into four "pots" with two teams in each pot. Pot D is made up of the two top-ranked group winners from the group phase. Both teams in Pot D will face a team from Pot G in the quarterfinals which contains the two third-place teams from the group stage. Pot E and F contains the other group winner and the three second-place teams. If that seems confusing (fair), think of it this way: the teams are reseeded 1-8 after the group stage and the bracket is set up accordingly but is done in such a way that two teams who were together in the group stage don't face one another in the quarterfinals.

Groups

Men's Group A



Men's Group B



Men's Group C



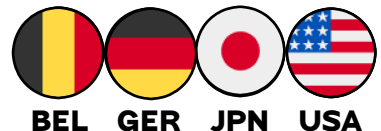
Women's Group A



Women's Group B



Women's Group C



Men's Basketball Schedule

Events in ET, medal events in **bold**, **Team USA** in blue

Date	Time	Group	Event
Sat, July 27	5:00 AM	A	Australia vs. Spain
Sat, July 27	7:30 AM	B	Germany vs. Japan
Sat, July 27	11:15 AM	B	France vs. Brazil
Sat, July 27	3:00 PM	A	Greece vs. Canada
Sun, July 28	5:00 AM	C	South Sudan vs. Puerto Rico
Sun, July 28	11:15 AM	C	Serbia vs. United States
Tue, July 30	5:00 AM	A	Spain vs. Greece
Tue, July 30	7:30 AM	A	Canada vs. Australia
Tue, July 30	11:15 AM	B	Japan vs. France
Tue, July 30	3:00 PM	B	Brazil vs. Germany
Wed, July 31	11:15 AM	C	Puerto Rico vs. Serbia
Wed, July 31	3:00 PM	C	United States vs. South Sudan
Fri, Aug 2	5:00 AM	B	Japan vs. Brazil
Fri, Aug 2	7:30 AM	A	Australia vs. Greece
Fri, Aug 2	11:15 AM	A	Canada vs. Spain
Fri, Aug 2	3:00 PM	B	France vs. Germany
Sat, Aug 3	11:15 AM	C	Puerto Rico vs. United States
Sat, Aug 3	3:00 PM	C	Serbia vs. South Sudan
Tue, Aug 6	5:00 AM		Quarterfinal #1
Tue, Aug 6	8:30 AM		Quarterfinal #2
Tue, Aug 6	12:00 PM		Quarterfinal #3
Tue, Aug 6	3:30 PM		Quarterfinal #4
Thu, Aug 8	11:30 AM		Semifinal #1
Thu, Aug 8	3:00 PM		Semifinal #2
Sat, Aug 10	5:00 AM		Bronze Medal Game
Sat, Aug 10	3:30 PM		Gold Medal Game

Women's Basketball Schedule

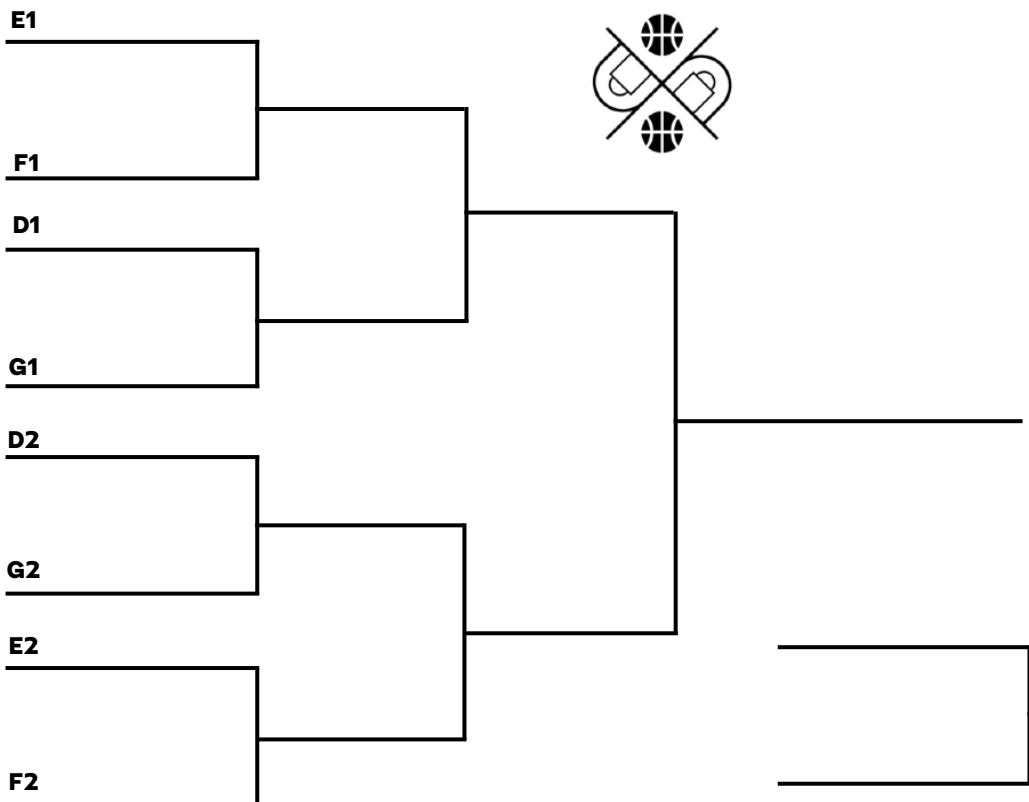
Events in ET, medal events in **bold**, **Team USA** in blue

Date	Time	Group	Event
Sun, July 28	7:30 AM	A	Spain vs. China
Sun, July 28	3:00 PM	A	Serbia vs. Puerto Rico
Mon, July 29	5:00 AM	B	Nigeria vs. Australia
Mon, July 29	7:30 AM	C	Germany vs. Belgium
Mon, July 29	11:15 AM	B	Canada vs. France
Mon, July 29	3:00 PM	C	United States vs. Japan
Wed, July 31	5:00 AM	A	Puerto Rico vs. Spain
Wed, July 31	7:30 AM	A	China vs. Serbia
Thu, Aug 1	5:00 AM	C	Japan vs. Germany
Thu, Aug 1	7:30 AM	B	Australia vs. Canada
Thu, Aug 1	11:15 AM	B	France vs. Nigeria
Thu, Aug 1	3:00 PM	C	Belgium vs. United States
Sat, Aug 3	5:00 AM	A	China vs. Puerto Rico
Sat, Aug 3	7:30 AM	A	Serbia vs. Spain
Sun, Aug 4	5:00 AM	C	Japan vs. Belgium
Sun, Aug 4	7:30 AM	B	Canada vs. Nigeria
Sun, Aug 4	11:15 AM	C	Germany vs. United States
Sun, Aug 4	3:00 PM	B	Australia vs. France
Wed, Aug 7	5:00 AM		Quarterfinal #1
Wed, Aug 7	8:30 AM		Quarterfinal #2
Wed, Aug 7	12:00 PM		Quarterfinal #3
Wed, Aug 7	3:30 PM		Quarterfinal #4
Fri, Aug 9	11:30 AM		Semifinal #1
Fri, Aug 9	3:00 PM		Semifinal #2
Sun, Aug 11	5:30 AM		Bronze Medal Game
Sun, Aug 11	9:30 AM		Gold Medal Game

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Men's Bracket



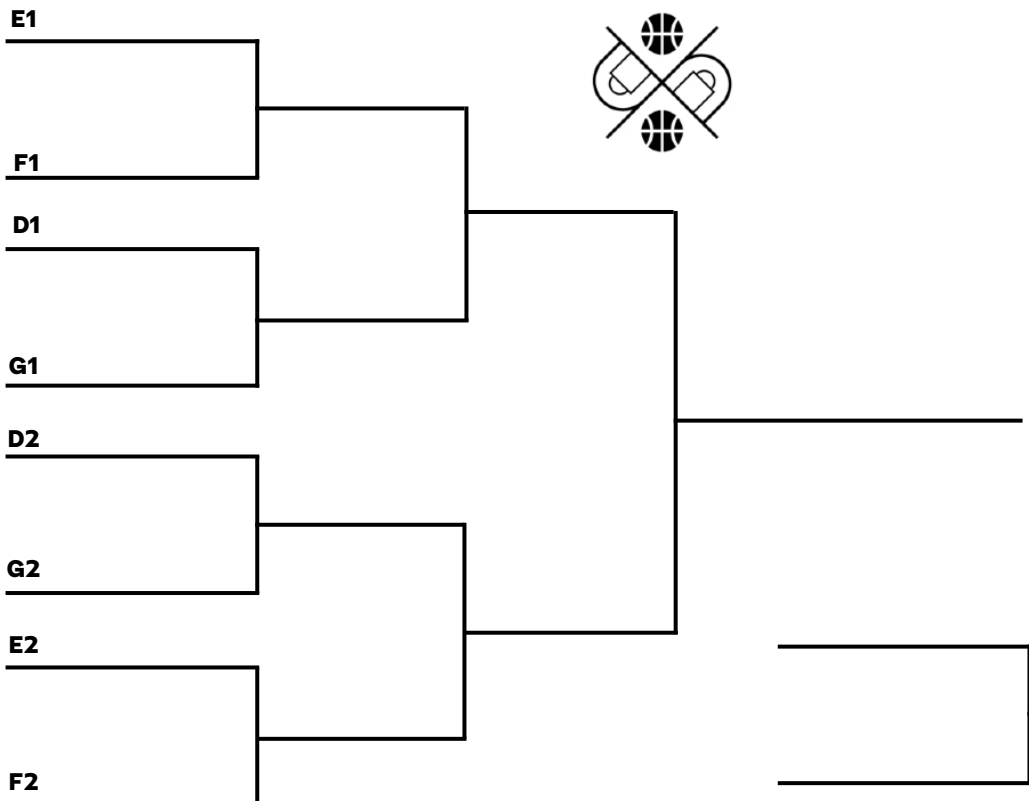
Brackets

2020 Results




-  **UNITED STATES**
-  **FRANCE**
-  **AUSTRALIA**

Bronze Medal

Women's Bracket



2020 Results

-  **UNITED STATES**
-  **JAPAN**
-  **FRANCE**

Bronze Medal

