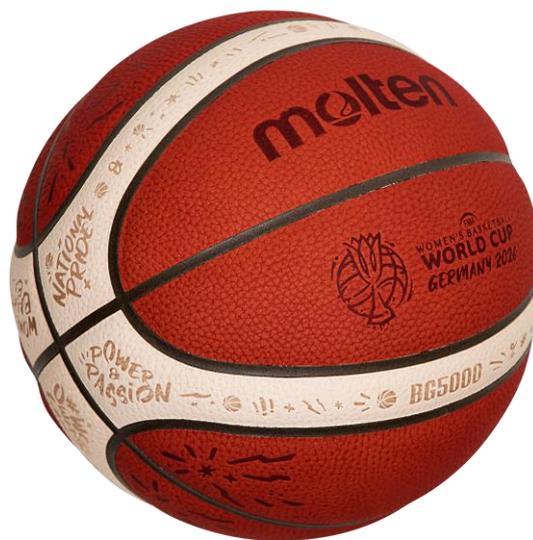


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Molten to release the official limited-edition game ball for the FIBA Women's Basketball World Cup 2026



B6G5000-W6G

Molten Corporation (Headquarters: Nishi-ku, Hiroshima City, Japan; President and CEO: Kiyoko Tamiaki) will supply the official limited-edition game ball for the FIBA Women's Basketball World Cup 2026 to be held in Berlin, Germany from September 4 to September 13, 2026. Ahead of the tournament, sales of the official game ball and replica model will start at sporting goods retailers in select markets.

The official game ball was jointly developed by FIBA and Molten, based on BG5000 used in international matches held by FIBA. A major feature of the design is the worldview of celebrating women's basketball, reflected in a Berlin inspired look, with a handmade feel. It draws inspiration from the spirit of the subculture and street art in Berlin, which is home to diverse cultures.

Molten is committed to developing optimal products and to creating an ideal environment through which everyone, regardless of their role in sports, can experience the powerful emotions that only sports can inspire. Through this commitment, Molten strives to make a world where sport is an integral part of everyday life.

■ Product Features

1. Limited edition design for the World Cup tournament

The official game ball has a limited-edition tournament design that symbolizes the FIBA Women’s Basketball World Cup 2026.

The logo and image design of the World Cup incorporate elements of Berlin’s subculture and street art, reflecting the games catchphrase, “From Berlin to the world, a celebration of passion and diversity,” and expressing the World Cup concept, “We Own the Game,” while highlighting the passion and diversity of women’s basketball. Based on the concept of the World Cup, the official game ball has a limited-edition tournament design that reflects the individuality and creativity of the host city, Berlin. To further symbolize this concept, the replica model has bold graphics and striking coloring of street art to also emphasize the individuality of Berlin and the worldview of the World Cup.



The key visual



Official game ball
B6G5000-W6G



Graphics



Replica ball
B6G3800-W6G



Replica ball
B5G2000BW6G



Replica ball
B6G2000-W6G

2. Improved Control

2-1. Less Slippery

New surface texture helps give an ideal grip even in contact with sweat or moisture. Branded logos also give a tackier grip than transfer printing method used in prior model. Printed proportion was reduced by 25% which also contributed to giving a better grip

BG5000 Branded Printing

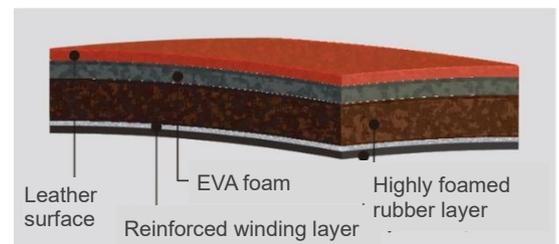


Previous Models



2-2. Improved Grip Performance

Foam concentration increased by 35% and EVA foam backing layer has been newly applied, making the ball softer and easier to control.*



Internal Structure of the BG5000

*Compared to our previous models

3. Authentic Texture

BG5000 takes full advantage of the natural leather properties to ensure better texture. All lettering design on the BG5000 is branded into the ball to offer an authentic look to the natural leather basketball.

■ Product Specifications

	Official Game Ball	Replica Ball					
Item number	B6G5000-W6G	B6G3800-W6G	B5G2000BW6G	B6G2000-B-W6G	B6G2000-R-W6G	B6G2000-Y-W6G	B1G200-W6G
Size	6	6	5	6	6	6	1
Cover Material	Premium Leather	PU	Rubber	Rubber			
Official Approval	FIBA		-				
Country of Origin	Thailand	China					

■ Tournament Official Website

<https://www.fiba.basketball/en/events/fiba-womens-basketball-world-cup-2026>

■ About Molten's sports equipment business

Molten's sports equipment business has been manufacturing and selling sporting goods, including basketballs, handballs, soccer balls, volleyballs and other match balls since 1958, and has continued to pursue higher quality as the global standard. The business aims to "create the most optimal product and the most optimal environment that bring out the real emotion felt from participating in sports and make a world where sports is always close to your life" from not only players but also everyone involved in sports (including coaches, managers and parents).

Please visit our website for more details.

URL: <https://www.molten.co.jp/sports/en/>

■ About the initiatives for solving social issues taken by Molten's Sporting Goods Business

We are conducting our business activities and creating products with the aim of becoming a social brand that solves social issues through our products and services. In addition to the basketball brand "molten B+," which aims to spread and enhance basketball, we also offer the "[MY FOOTBALL KIT](#)" football that requires no air, reduces the gap in experience among children and is also an excellent education kit. We are also working to review the materials used for our existing products and reduce the environmental footprint.

■ Molten Corporation Corporate Profile

The company began from the manufacture and sale of match balls and automobile parts, and since then, we have expanded our business utilizing our two core technologies of "hollow body technology" that conditions the inner pressure and "polymer chemistry"

involving polymeric materials such as rubber and resin. Currently, in addition to the sports business including match balls and automobile parts business, we contribute to society through product development and academic research in the healthcare business, as well as manufacture and sell elements that comprise social infrastructure such as floating piers and rubber bearings for bridges in the marine industry business. We will continue to pursue the possibilities in a variety of fields.

URL : https://www.molten.co.jp/index_en.html

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