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## **RULES AND REGULATIONS**

### **1. GENERAL INFORMATION**

1. It is the responsibility of the team captain to ensure that team members are fully aware of the rules and regulations as set by Netball Queensland.
2. Any enquiries must be directed to the Social Programs Officer, at the State Netball Centre, 90 Klumpp Rd, Mt Gravatt 4122.  
Ph: 0439 790 645, or via email at [snc@netballq.org.au](mailto:snc@netballq.org.au).
3. Teams not regarded as financial will not be eligible to participate further until all outstanding fees are paid.
4. Teams are required to make an upfront payment of all fees before the commencement of the season. There will be no credits carried over to the following season.
5. Teams will not pay fees for week 1 grading.
6. Teams will receive an early bird discount for paying up front 2 weeks prior to the commencement of the season.
7. Season 1, 2018 fees are \$1615.00

### **2. CONDITIONS OF ENTRY**

1. The team shall abide by the rules and regulations governing play of the State Netball Centre as set herein by Netball Queensland, and in signing the nomination, agree to do so.
2. The team shall register on the official nomination form. The nomination form shall be received by the nominated closing date.

### **3. TEAM COMPOSITION**

1. Teams shall consist of a minimum of seven (7) players;
2. The minimum playing age is 15 and no player under 15 years of age will be permitted to play nor become State Netball Centre Members;

### **4. PLAYERS ELIGIBILITY**

1. Players may not qualify in more than one team in the same night of any competition.
2. Fill ins who are members of another team playing on the same night should not be written on the team card as they cannot become qualified players in more than one team and are unable to participate in finals as a fill in player.
3. Team members shall have played at least three (3) games during the season for the (1) team and be current State Netball Centre Members, to be eligible to play in the series finals.

## **5. SCORERS**

1. Each team is required to provide a scorer to every game in the State Netball Centre Social Competition. If a scorer is not provided this will result in a player being removed from the court to undertake scoring duties. All scorers must be at least 12 years of age.
2. The scoresheet will be deemed to be the official result.

## **6. MATCHES**

1. Matches shall be played at the State Netball Centre.
2. A draw of all matches will be available at [mynetball.com.au](http://mynetball.com.au) the Friday prior to any season commencing.
3. A ball will be supplied by the State Netball Centre.
4. Umpires will be provided by the State Netball Centre.
5. Points are awarded as follows:

Win	= 2 points
Loss	= 0 points
Forfeit Loss	= 0 points
Forfeit Win	= 2 points
Draw	= 1 point
6. Premiership ladder can be viewed at [mynetball.com.au](http://mynetball.com.au) (State Netball Centre).
7. No player arriving after play has commenced is allowed to replace a player on court until an interval or injury. The player may enter the match, if a position is vacant, while play is in progress only after a goal has been scored, immediately following an interval, at stoppage for injury/illness. The player must firstly notify the umpires if she/he wishes to enter the game.
8. Time for matches as follows:

4 quarters	10 minutes
¼ time interval	1 minute
Between games	2 minutes
9. Team Card must be completed at the Games Counter with team fees paid in full prior to the commencement of the match (if paying weekly). All members of the team must complete their details and sign the team card.

## **7. INJURY TIME**

1. Injury time is not replayed during fixture matches. However, each injured player can take up to 30 seconds to leave the court. This player may be replaced when they leave the court.
2. Injury time will be played during finals.
3. During a stoppage for injury or illness both teams shall be allowed to make substitutions and/or team changes if desired.

## **8. SUSPENSION**

1. Any player reported during a game by an umpire or official will be suspended immediately, pending investigation by the Social Programs Officer.
2. Umpires' continued reports of team misbehaviour will result in the team being removed from the competition and a possible indefinite ban at the discretion of Netball Queensland.
3. Players suspended are unable to enter the premises for any reason. Any violation of this will result in a charge of trespass and the Police notified.
4. Staff members (including umpires and scorers) playing in competitions will be bound by this policy and face instant dismissal.

### **Minimum Penalty**

- Abusive language towards players	2 weeks
- Equipment abuse	2 weeks + fine
- Fighting	Indefinite ban
- Intentional striking	1 year
- Facility abuse	2 weeks + fine
- General misbehaviour	1 week
- Threatening an umpire	Indefinite ban
- Swearing at/intimidation of an umpire	1 year
- Assault	Life + legal action

This is a minimum guide only and a more significant penalty may be imposed at the discretion of the Social Programs Officer.

## **9. BLOOD POLICY**

1. Persons sustaining bleeding injuries shall move or be removed from the court as soon as possible and any blood marks on the court and/or the ball must be removed and disinfected immediately by the bleeding player or her/his appointee.
2. Playing persons shall not take the court with bleeding wounds or wounds that are not adequately covered.
3. Also, (fresh) blood contaminated clothing is to be removed prior to the game recommencing.

## **10. GRADING OF TEAMS**

1. Final Grading Decisions will be made after this. Teams will not be regraded upon request.
2. The Social Programs Officer will consider all information and grade each team appropriately in the context of the competition.
3. There will be no regrading during the season.

## **11. FORFEITS**

1. Each team shall provide 5 or more players (including fill-ins) on court by the scheduled game start time. If a team does not have five players available, the opposition will be awarded 1 point for every full minute that passes until sufficient players are achieved and the game commences, only if they have 5 or more players on court in position and ready to play.
2. If after 10 minutes the team cannot provide 5 or more players in position to play, then the match is abandoned and the opposition will be awarded the game by forfeit. The offending team will be charged \$182 forfeit fee and lose 2 competition points.
3. The forfeit fee must be paid prior to the forfeiting team re-entering the competition in the next round.
4. Games may not be rescheduled for any reason.

## **12. FINALS SERIES**

1. The final series will be played after the fixture rounds in each division.
2. All teams are to be available for all game times, as finals times will not be altered.
3. The four (4) teams that have gained the most competition points in each grade shall compete in the final series. Finals series grades will be determined by the Social Programs Officer.
4. In the event of teams being on equal competition points, positions shall be determined by goal percentage.
5. To be eligible for the final series all players must have played three (3) matches for that team and be registered in one team on any given night, prior to commencement of final series and be current State Netball Centre Members.

6. Each team member prior to taking the court in finals must present at the games counter and complete the sign on sheet. This will then be cross referenced with qualified players from the team card. Any player that is not qualified will be unable to take the court.
7. Teams found playing ineligible players will be considered to have lost the match in which the ineligible player has taken part.
8. Matches are played on the hour starting at 6.15pm.
9. Times for the final series shall be:
 

2 halves	20 minutes
$\frac{1}{2}$ time	2 minutes

Plus, extra time as outlined below, in the event of a drawn game
10. In the event of a drawn match in the semi, preliminary and grand finals, the following shall apply:
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  - a) After a one (1) minute interval teams change ends and two (2) halves of five (5) minutes extra shall be played. Teams shall change ends at  $\frac{1}{2}$  time and there shall be no  $\frac{1}{2}$  time interval.
  - b) Neither positional changes nor substitutions may be made during change over time.
  - c) If the match is still drawn play continues until one team gains a two (2) goal advantage.
  - d) Substitution during extra time is permitted only in the event of an injury or illness.

### **13. AWARDS**

1. Suitable prizes shall be awarded to the winner and runner-up teams in each division.
2. Teams will be provided with 8 prizes.

### **14. UNIFORMS**

1. Uniforms shall consist of shirt and sports briefs or bodysuit, skirt, shorts, bike pants and tights, socks, positional patches and suitable sports footwear. Spiked soles are not allowed, and bummers are considered underwear and must have shorts or skirt worn over them.
2. All players must play in matching uniforms. This means that shirts must be identical in colour and shorts/skirts, tights must match in colour. Shorts and skirts length must be on or above the knee.
3. Players are permitted to wear skins; however, these do not form part of the uniform and therefore playing shirts, skirt/shorts must be worn over them.
4. All teams should supply their own team bibs. However, these can be hired for \$2 from the games counter.
5. No item of jewellery, except a wedding ring and/or medical alert bracelet, shall be worn. If either or both are worn, each shall be taped. No adornment that may endanger player safety shall be worn.

6. Fingernails shall be short and smooth to the umpires' satisfaction. Gloves are permitted.
7. If glasses are worn they must be properly secured to the umpires' satisfaction.
8. No match shall be delayed beyond the scheduled commencement time to permit any uniform offence to be rectified. The offending player shall be considered a late player and the appropriate rules applied.

## **15. CANCELLED GAMES**

1. Should circumstances occur which make it unsuitable to play, and all matches are cancelled for the round, teams will not be awarded competition points (even if their game has been completed) and the competition shall continue as per the fixture program.
2. Game fees will not be refunded if more than half the game has been completed.
3. These circumstances can include but not limited to electrical failure and wet courts and weather events.

## **16. OFFICIALS**

1. Netball Queensland will supply all required umpires.
2. All matches shall start at the time specified.
3. All teams will provide a scorer.

## **17. CARE OF SURFACE**

1. Smoking is not permitted in the Stadium.
2. The following items are prohibited from the court area, toilets and change rooms:
  - Chewing gum and lollies
  - All food, chips etc
  - All drinks and drink bottles
  - Drinking Glasses and cans
  - High heels or black soled shoes
  - Spitting on the surface is not permitted

## **17. FOOTWEAR**

1. All footwear shall be cleaned and dried of all exterior rubbish (stones, dirt, mud etc) before entry to the playing surface.

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2. Players and officials are required to wear suitable non-marking footwear on the court surface to be policed by the Hirer.