



General Information & Competition Guidelines

January-July 2023

MEMBERSHIP/REGISTRATION

To be covered under insurance players **must** pay their applicable fees prior to taking the court to be legally covered under Insurance. Registration fees include Netball Australia, Netball Tasmania Affiliation and Insurance and Devon Membership and **must** be paid in full prior to commencement of first roster game or players will not be permitted to take the court. Registration must be completed online via PlayHQ.com.au

Players registered with another Netball Tasmania Member Association must pay the roster fee only.

All fill-in players are required to pay a single game fee each time they play.

REGISTRATION AND ROSTER FEES

Netball Australia (11 and Over)	\$4.49
Netball Australia and Netball Tasmania (10 and Under) Includes NetSetGo Pack	\$75.00
Netball Tasmania (18 and Over)	\$80.25
Netball Tasmania (11-17 years)	\$52.19
Netball Tasmania Officials/Coach:	\$39.28
Women Roster	\$75.00
Mixed Roster	\$20.00
Secondary Roster	\$55.00
Primary Roster	\$50.00
Netta Roster	\$30.00
Development Squad Training	\$50.00
Volunteer / Manager	\$0.00
Single Match	\$10.00

Players must be of high school age, or over, during that roster to be eligible to play in a Women's / Mixed Team.

FORFEIT FEES

Teams will be charged a fee of \$30.00 if they forfeit a game (\$24.00 to the opposing team, \$6 Administration DNA).

This is to be paid at the office prior to the start of your next game. Money will be forwarded to the opposing team as compensation for competition fees paid. The money will be paid only after a team has paid their fees in full.

CLUBS

Teams that are entered into a roster that are like named will be considered as a Club, e.g. Soft Bears, Teddy Bears, Grizzly Bears. They would be considered a Bears Club.

All clubs must have a contact person, with email and phone number.

TEAM LISTS

All teams are requested to notify the office immediately of any player changes to avoid problems with rostered duties. Teams who do not notify of team changes will be held responsible to fulfil rostered duties. Please ensure team lists are updated and a copy left at the office as soon as any changes occur. Teams are responsible for covering any duties of players named on their team list and will incur a penalty if it is not covered.

UNIFORM & COLOURS

- Each club, team or school shall register each roster their name, uniform and colours with the Office. No club, team or school is permitted to use the State colours, these being Myrtle Green, Rose and Primrose.
- Any club, team or school wishing to make any change in its uniform during the Season, must seek Committee approval before doing so.
- Players must play in club uniform colours as at the third roster.
- Uniform including bibs must be easily identifiable to the umpire.
- In Women's Social and Mixed, players may any appropriate sportswear, provided that they are the same colour as their nominated team colours and they look like a team. School teams are required to wear their school nominated playing uniform.
- Neoprene (soft capped) visors may be worn in summer. Baseball caps are not suitable.
- Gloves are not recognized as part of the playing uniform and are therefore not allowed, unless a medical certificate is supplied.

JEWELLERY

No item of jewellery except a wedding ring and/or medical alert bracelet/necklace shall be worn. If either or both are worn, each shall be taped securely. All body piercing **must be removed, (unless approved medically with a Doctors certificate)**. **Taping is not allowed.**

ROSTERED DUTIES

(Umpiring – Canteen – Match Manager) Any player failing to report at times specified or to find a substitute of equal ability will be **suspended for one roster match (women's fined \$10.00 as well)**. *Suspended Players cannot take to the court.*

Canteen workers must stay in canteen until time slot is completed.

Match Managers are to stay and time matches as well as undertaking any other duties as required.

It is not acceptable to email the office or leave a message on the answering machine to say that you are unable to do your duty. If you have been allocated a duty then you must find a replacement.

Notification to the Umpire Convenor for a paid umpire replacement must be received no later than Sunday 5.00pm.

UMPIRES

Please ensure you understand the Rules and umpire all games to the best of your ability. *Umpire in the manner you wish your own game to be umpired.* Umpire allocations to matches can be difficult at times but we endeavour to allocate each umpire to their capability. The Umpire's committee would appreciate anyone willing to umpire and/or coach umpires on a regular basis to leave their details at the office.

COACHES & OFFICIALS

All must be registered members of the Devon Netball Association Inc.

All Coaches and Officials **must** sign a "Code of Conduct Agreement Form". A current WWVP is required if dealing with underage players.

All Coaches should have or be working towards, a minimum of:

- i. Foundation Coaching Accreditation
- ii. Level 1 Umpiring

Umpires are encouraged to complete a minimum of Level 1 Umpiring.

CONDUCT OF MATCHES

- a. Teams shall be graded according to their ability.
- b. The grading of teams shall be prepared by the Office Administrator in conjunction with the and will have the power to upgrade or downgrade any team until the completion of three rostered games. Teams being upgraded may bring points equivalent to that of the top team in the above grade.
- c. The rules shall be those of the All Australia Netball Association.
- d. Points shall be awarded as follows:

Win	4 points	Win on forfeit	4 points
Draw	3 points	Loss	2 points
Forfeit	0 points	Bye	4 points

After the start of the roster, 2pts will be deducted per unregistered player (Max 4pts)
- e. The score allocated for a forfeit will be 20-0 to the non forfeiting team.
- f. All teams shall assemble regardless of the weather conditions unless officially notified to the contrary by the Committee.
- g. Should the Association officially cancel matches due to inclement weather, no points shall be allocated. In the event of final matches being abandoned due to inclement weather, matches must be replayed.
- h. In the event where some games are completed and the other timeslot/s cancelled, all games will be recorded as a drawn matches, with a 0-0 score and 3 points each allocated.
- i. In the event of a split round, all teams in each grade shall play an equal number of games.
- j. Any player, who may have outstanding debts from a previous year, must clear those debts before they will be permitted to play in the new season.
- k. All matches shall commence at the time set down in the roster.
- l. All protests or grievances shall be lodged in writing to the Office Administrator, P O Box 689, Quoiba 7310, no later than forty-eight hours after the match and shall be considered by the Officers of the Association prior to the next roster match.
- m. All score cards must be placed by the umpire in the official box/tray provided on the day of the match.
- n. All teams are to provide a scorer and they are to sit in allocated area.
- o. Umpires to be allocated by a person with umpiring knowledge.
- p. Single mixed/women's team members may play 2 rostered games with another single mixed/women's team in any one competition. Refer to (u) for finals.
- q. If a team cannot play a match on the day set down in the roster, they may appeal to the Committee for an alternative date/time to be set down. This application must reach the Committee 7 days prior to the date set down for the match. Games must be played at the Devon Netball Centre. Finals will be played on the date nominated by the Association.
- r. Should a team elect to forfeit, it is the responsibility of the Captain of the forfeiting team to notify the Captain of the opposing team, the umpires and the scorers as soon as possible once the decision to forfeit has been made. Forfeit fees apply.

- s. At the conclusion of the roster, finals shall be played between the top four teams unless there are insufficient teams in the grade. Rosters up to 10 weeks – 1v4, 2v3; Grand final: winners play off. Rosters of more than 10 weeks – 1v2 (A), 3v4 (B); winner B v loser A (C); Grand final: winner A v winner C.
- t. In the event of any two teams eligible to play in the semi-finals being on level points, their position shall be determined by a goal percentage for the Season.
- u. All players in semi-final or final matches should have played at least 3 games in a short roster and at least 5 games in a long roster with their club or school prior to that game. Provided a person has met the above criteria they are eligible to play in finals of a grade or team higher than the one they have been playing in. If a team/club is unable to field seven players in a final, they must appeal to the Committee to co-opt a named player, of similar ability, at least 48 hours before the final.
- v. In finals matches (within the spirit of the game) priority must be given to the regular team members.
- w. No player may play in more than one game in any one timeslot in finals matches, ie: Players are not permitted to commence playing Bears 1 then swap to play with Bears 2 in any one timeslot.

PROBLEMS

Reminder to all players, coaches and umpires any problems during matches should be reported IMMEDIATELY to the office. Please do not wait until the game is completed, it is difficult to take action after the event has occurred; we need to recognise what the problem is. Umpires who have a problem or are feeling questioned/harassed (on court or sidelines) are requested to hold time on the match and report the incident to the office where Committee personnel will attempt to resolve complaints. See grievance procedure on website – www.devonnetball.com.au

TEAM/SCHOOL REGISTRATION & CLEARANCE

- a. Teams are to nominate a minimum of seven players and a maximum of 10 players on their team list. Schools/clubs must number teams highest (top team) to lowest (bottom team) when there are more than one (1) team in each age group/division at the time of nomination.
- b. Secondary teams only - equal participation for all players in roster matches and no player shall play less than a half in a finals match.
- c. Players may play in any grade/team higher than the one their team has been allocated to, and one grade/team below their allocated grade (provided they comply with point d.)
- d. **Once a player has played;**
 - i. **7 matches in a roster of more than 10 weeks (including finals)**
 - OR
 - ii. **4 matches in a roster of less than 10 weeks in a grade or team, they are ineligible to play below that grade/team.**

Loss of all points for that game will result if a player plays and is ineligible to do so. The match is forfeited.
- e. Players selected in the current year's Open and 19&U Tasmanian Netball League are only eligible to play in Division 1 Women's competitions. Should any club/team be unable to find a Division 1 game for an Open Tasmanian Netball League player, they may apply to the Committee for permission to play Division 2. Consideration will be given to single teams on application to the Committee.
- f. Players must be of high school age, or over, during that roster to be eligible to play in a Women's/Mixed Team.
- g. Mixed Teams are only permitted to have 3 males on court at any one time. One male is permitted in each area.
- h. Should a team play a match with an unregistered player or a player registered to another club/team/school, the game shall be forfeited to the opposing team.
- i. In the event of a transfer of a player from one club to another being desired during the calendar year, the following procedure should be adhered to:
Players will be committed to a club/team for the duration of a roster. At the end of the Roster player may change club/team by notifying in writing the office and original club that the player wishes to transfer to another club/team. Should the player owe club/team any outstanding monies the debt must be cleared before the transfer takes place.
- j. In the event of a club disbanding during a roster, its members shall be at liberty to play with any club with the consent of the Committee.
No club shall be considered to be disbanded, unless notice of such disbandment is in the hands of the Office Administrator.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Playing Areas – No persons except players and umpires are allowed on playing areas or Umpire's areas during matches, this is all the red and green area. This is for everyone's safety.

First Aid – Basic First Aid is supplied in the first aid room at no expense to players. Please treat this room with respect. Please wash and return to the office any crepe bandages, triangular bandages, ice bags, towels etc. used for injuries. The cost of these items to be continually replaced is becoming extreme. Band aids and bandages are now available at the office. Incident reports must be filled in for all injuries except those requiring only a bandaid.

Smoking – As with all sporting venues The Marj Kerlake Netball Centre is a smoke free venue. Please refrain from smoking anywhere on our grounds.

Chewing Gum – We ask everyone not to bring and/or eat chewing gum whilst at the centre. Gum stuck to the courts and run-off areas damages the surface.

Office Hours – Wednesday and Thursday 9.00am - 4.00pm. This will vary on occasions.

Committee Meetings – These are usually held each month. Each Club is encouraged to have a representative attend the meeting, this does not need to be the same person at each meeting. If you have ideas, issues or concerns you should send them in writing to the Secretary.

School Information Meeting – Prior to the start of any new school roster there will be an information meeting. It is compulsory that each team have a representative at this meeting. The representative may be a teacher, parent, coach, grade 10 player. If a team fails to have a representative at the meeting they will not be included in the roster. This representative will become the team contact person and will be responsible for passing all information onto the team and ensuring that they team abides by the Competition Guidelines and the Codes of Behaviour.

Committee Positions – If you are interested in helping out please make yourself known at the office. We have smaller jobs available for those who don't have much time to spare.

Codes of Behaviour – Comprehensive lists of Codes of Behaviour for players, parents and spectators are available at www.devonnetball.com.au

Coaching & Umpiring Courses – These are offered regularly throughout the year and will be advertised.

*Devon Netball Association Competition Guidelines should be utilised in conjunction with the
All Australia Netball Association Rule Book*

Volunteers – the Association relies on volunteers and any assistance would be appreciated. Persons able to assist in any capacity large or small are asked to leave their name and phone number at the office or advise one of the committee

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*Roster information can be found on our website and social media along with
other news and upcoming events at our club.*

CANCELLATIONS: *We will endeavour to post cancellations on social media as early as possible.*

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