

COOMA NETBALL ASSOCIATION INC. BY-LAWS

Adopted by Cooma Netball Association Inc. Committee on 12th September 2022.

1. TEAMS

- a. Teams must register on the official Cooma Netball Association (herein known as 'the Association') registration form.
- b. Teams must have a nominated coach/manager/captain and shall provide reliable contact details.
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2. FEES/REGISTRATION

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 - ii. Non-player
- f. A maximum of twelve (12) players may be registered per team.
- g. Players are able to play in two (2) teams of different divisions upon payment of an extra nominal fee set yearly by the Association.
- h. No more than three (3) Association Representative players for the calendar year can register in the same team in the Cooma Netball Association competition for the same calendar year without prior clearance from the Committee. The exceptions are:
 - i. Players who were registered with a team prior to being selected as a player in the Association Representative team for that calendar year.
- i. Representative teams playing as whole entities in the division equal to or above their age group, will be handicapped at the beginning of the relevant competition and at the discretion of the committee.

3. COMPETITION

- a. **Net-Set-Go**
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 - ii. Children turning five (5), six (6), seven (7), eight (8), nine (9) or ten (10) years old in the calendar year of the competition in which they wish to participate meet the age criteria.
 - iii. Males and females are eligible to participate in the Net-Set-Go competition.
- b. **Junior**
 - i. To cater for and foster further involvement and development of skills by netball players up to twelve (12) years of age, the Association will conduct a competition, in accordance with Netball Australia Junior Sport Policy.
 - ii. The age criteria is met by children turning up to twelve (12) years old in the calendar year of competition in which they wish to participate. Children who are of the age of the Intermediate competition may participate in the Junior competition at the discretion of the committee.

- iii. Males and females are eligible to participate in the Junior competition.
 - iv. All players in the Junior competition must play at least half of each game at which they are present, including during the final series.
- c. **Intermediate/Open**
- i. To cater for further involvement and development of players from the Intermediate age group up to the Open age groups the Association will conduct Intermediate and Open competitions.
 - ii. The Intermediate division will include players who are turning thirteen (13) years old to fifteen (15) years old in the calendar year of competition in which they wish to participate.
 - iii. Males are eligible to participate in the Intermediate/ Open competitions. There must be no more than two (2) males on the court for each team at any given time, and no more than one (1) male shall start play in each starting third of the court (1. GS, GA or WA, 2. C, 3. WD, GD or GK).
 - iv. The Open division can include players of any age. Players aged less than sixteen (16) years of age however, require prior approval from their parent/guardian and the Association.

4. Competition Matches

- a. Game start and end times are indicated by a centralised timer. The game officially starts and ends on the umpire's whistle.
- b. Injury time will be allowed during games but will not be added to the overall game time except in the finals series.
- c. Net-Set-Go, Junior and Intermediate games will consist of four (4) twelve (12) minute quarters. There will be a two (2) minute break between quarters and a three (3) minute break at half time.
- d. Open games will consist of four (4) fifteen (15) minute quarters. There will be a two (2) minute break between quarters and a three (3) minute break at half time.
- e. There will be at least a five (5) minute break between the end of one game and the start of the next.
- f. Play will commence at the set time if each team has five (5) or more registered players of their team present. If five (5) or more registered players of their team are not present by the end of the first quarter the offending team will forfeit the match.
- g. The players of the team receiving the forfeit must sign the score sheet in order for the forfeit to be awarded and to meet qualification criteria for the final series.
- h. The forfeiting team members present will not be deemed as 'playing' under the qualification criteria for the final series.
- i. If a team has notified the Committee of their intended forfeit at least 30-minutes prior to the commencement of the game, all the members of the opposing team will be deemed to have been present on the day of competition.
- j. If neither team has five (5) registered players of their team present by the end of the first quarter, the game will be declared abandoned and no points will be awarded to either side. The umpires must sign the score sheet and ensure all relevant details are completed.
- k. Teams will be subject to disqualification from the competition after three (3) consecutive forfeits. Teams, which are subject to disqualification, can apply in writing to the Committee, giving reasons why they should be allowed to remain in the competition. The Committee will adjudicate such applications.
- l. If a team withdraws from the competition, individual players from that team can apply to the Committee to transfer to another team, to keep playing in the competition in the same season.
- m. Individuals may register in a second team in a higher division within the Association but not for another team in the same or a lower division.
- n. Once a player has played for a second team in an equal or higher division three (3) times in a competition they must pay an extra nominal fee set yearly by the Association.
- o. Part of the registration fee, not including the Insurance premium already paid to Netball NSW,

- may be transferred or refunded at the discretion of the Committee, if a player has not taken the court at any time during the current competition after paying the registration fee.
- p. The Committee reserves the right to refund part-fees to teams or players that have applied in writing, setting out the circumstances surrounding the withdrawal of the team or player.
 - q. Game Points
 - i. 3 points for a win
 - ii. 3 points for a win on forfeit
 - iii. 2 points to both teams for a drawn game
 - iv. 1 point for a loss
 - v. 0 points for games abandoned because of adverse weather
 - vi. 0 points for a loss on a forfeit
 - vii. 2 points for a bye
 - viii. 0 points for an abandoned game
 - ix. -2 points for failure to supply an umpire or duty person (-2 points per commitment)
 - x. -3 points and a forfeit against the infringing team for courting an unregistered and/or nonfinancial player
 - xi. -2 points for failure to complete the scoresheet with your signature and name (where applicable)
 - r. Score sheets to be completed as per section 9. *Score Sheets*.
 - s. Games that have been played to half time or beyond are deemed as played and the win/loss/draw will be awarded according to the completed scoresheet at the time of abandonment
 - t. The decision on when to abandon games due to adverse weather will be made by the Committee members present after consultation with umpires of the games in question. Wet weather decisions will be made in accordance with Netball NSW policies and procedures
 - i. If games are abandoned due to adverse weather, it will be at the Committee's discretion to abandon the round or replay the round or affected games.
 - u. When seven (7) or more of the registered team players are present and able to play, substitution of other registered players is not allowed. If substitutes are used when seven (7) registered team players are present and able to play, the game will be classed as a forfeit against the infringing team.
 - v. If at least five (5) of the registered team players are present a number of substitute players may be used from an equal or lower age division, but only where the total number of players in that team does not then exceed seven (7).
 - w. Should play commence with at least five (5) registered team players and one (1) or two (2) substitute players are playing as your 6th or 7th player: If a sixth and/or seventh registered team player arrives to play, time must be called and a registered team player/s must take the court in place of a substitute player and their respective playing position. The substitute player/s who have left the court to allow for a registered team player to take the court cannot return to the game, unless in the case of an injury to one of the courted registered players. It must be noted on the scoresheet of these changes and will officially be recorded as a fill-in game for that team.
 - x. On the third occasion that a player plays as a substitute for the same team in an equal or higher division, automatic transfer of registration from the original registered team to the substituting team will occur. Note: this will therefore cause the player to be unable to substitute back into their original team.
 - y. At least five (5) of the registered team players must be present on the court at any one time. If for any reason this reduces to less than five (5) registered team players on the court at any one time, this will result in a forfeit.
 - z. A member of the Committee will be on duty during competition games to answer any queries that may arise.

5. RULES OF PLAY

- a. At the first meeting after the AGM, sub-committees will be formed where required for the

following roles:

- i. Junior Wet Weather
 - ii. Senior Wet Weather
 - iii. Publicity
 - iv. Juniors / School gala Day
 - v. Umpiring
 - vi. Draw
 - vii. Presentation
 - viii. Bank Access and Signatories
 - ix. CNA Delegates
- b. The Association and its competitions will be governed by the All Australian Rules of Netball, the Cooma Netball Association Inc. Constitution, the Cooma Netball Association Inc. By-laws, and in accordance with such other regulations as the Committee approves. Exceptions to these rules are in the area of timing, and include:
- i. All competition games will be centrally timed;
 - ii. The Grandfinal match will be individually timed and subject to stoppages under umpire direction.

6. SEMI FINALS AND GRAND FINALS

- a. Before participation in Finals, Semi-Finals or Grand Finals, each player in the team must be financial and each player is to have signed their name on the score sheet as having played (or been present for games won on forfeit) for three (3) competition matches in that competition.
- b. Players in Grand Finals must arrive at least ten (10) minutes before the start of their game and have signed their names on the score sheet so eligibility can be checked.
- c. In exceptional circumstances, teams may request the Committee Executive (herein known as 'the Executive') to permit approval of registered players who do not meet the criteria of circumstances in By-laws 6.a. Requests must be in writing to the Executive a minimum of five (5) days prior to game day.
- d. Semi-finalists in each division shall be determined by the teams with the highest number of points. When two (2) teams vying for a spot have an equal number of points, the team with the highest aggregate score (for and against) shall be deemed above the other.
- e. The structure and details of the finals series will be determined by the CNA committee at the start of the competition
- f. When goals scored are even at full time in any Final an additional five (5) minutes each end shall be played and if the score is still even at the end of the additional five (5) minutes each end, there is to be additional play until the next goal is scored.
- g. During the finals series if a team is deemed to have forfeited, the game will be classed as a 'forfeit'.

7. UNIFORMS

- a. Team colours must be registered on the team's registration form notified to Cooma Netball Association. Similarities/discrepancies in colours are to be put to the Committee.
- b. Notification of shirts, skirts/shorts/pants and bib colours are essential.
- c. Should two (2) opposing teams have the same or similar playing bibs or shirt colour the team listed second on the scoresheet will be required to change the colour of the playing bibs for that game.
- d. Should a representative team play in the same division, a team may not nominate COOMA NETBALL ASSOCIATION Inc. colours – PURPLE, GOLD & BLACK as their team uniform.
- e. Prescription or sports specific glasses and sunglasses are permitted to be worn while playing, as long as the lenses are not glass and the style is wrap around or close fitting with no protruding frames.
- f. Players may not wear anything that could endanger themselves or other players, specifically:
 - i. No adornment or jewelry may be worn other than a wedding ring which must be

- covered with tape
 - ii. A medical alert bracelet may be worn provided it is covered with tape
 - iii. Fingernails must be short and smooth
 - iv. Hair must be suitably tied back
 - v. Hats with hard brims
- g. Registered playing uniforms and suitable sports footwear must be worn during games. Players are permitted to wear extra clothing, as long as there is a determined attempt to wear the team colours.
- h. Teams will have two (2) competition rounds grace, before the uniform code will be enforced. NO player will be allowed to take the court if they are not wearing the appropriate and registered uniform on the third week of competition. Uniform disciplinary action will be at the discretion of the committee.

8. UMPIRING

- a. No official match shall be played without two umpires.
- b. Umpires must supply their own whistles.
- c. The umpires are to choose the best and fairest from each team at the end of each game and record this on the score sheet.
- d. In adverse weather conditions, umpires are to consult with the committee on duty to determine if play should continue.
- e. Umpires should preferably wear a white shirt/jumper, but definitely not the same colour as the teams they are umpiring.

9. SCORE SHEETS

- a. Each team is to provide their own scorer. All players are to clearly sign their name on the score sheets prior to taking the court. Failure to do so will result in the loss of two (2) competition points from the offending team.
- b. The winning team is responsible for returning the completed score sheets and folders to the control desk immediately after the game.
- c. ALL required names and details must be completed on the score sheets.
- d. Umpires and scorers' names must be printed legibly on the score sheet.
- e. The Executive has the power to call any team before the Judiciary that is alleged to have falsified score sheets or fielded unregistered players.

10. ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS

- a. Any registered member of the Association may attend ordinary Committee meetings.
- b. One delegate from each team in the Open, Intermediate and Junior divisions is encouraged to attend Committee meetings.
- c. Delegates from teams are entitled to one vote each on each motion put forward at committee meetings.
- d. If a delegate is representing two (2) or more teams, the delegate may have a number of votes equal to the number of teams they are representing, upon presenting a duly completed Proxy form.
- e. To be entitled to exercise voting rights, nominated delegates must be registered and financial with the Association as a playing member, non-playing member, or life member.
- f. Executive and Committee members are permitted to vote on any issue.
- g. Executive members and Committee members may also act as delegates of their own teams when required.
- h. The Executive may choose, at any given time, to hold a closed meeting.
- i. Notices of meetings will be advertised to all members of the Association.

11. COMPLAINTS

- a. Any match complaint or protest must be recorded on the back of the score sheet and must be

- signed with the name of the complainant in block letters, along with contact details.
- b. The complaint must be followed by a detailed official written communication, which must be received by the Association Secretary, within 48 hours of the game. The Secretary must acknowledge receipt of the communication by appropriate means within 48 hours.
 - c. The Committee will consider the matter and if necessary, will convene the Judiciary.
 - d. The Judiciary will handle the following matters.
 - e. Breach of Netball NSW's endorsed Codes of Conduct;
 - i. Complaints
 - ii. Appeals; and
 - iii. Any action bringing the game into disrepute.
 - f. The Association President (unless involved in the complaint) will be the Judiciary Chairperson (herein known as 'the Chairperson'). The Chairperson will, in consultation with the Executive, appoint four (4) other members to the Judiciary. The members will be drawn from financial, registered members of the Association. The judiciary members will not be drawn from team(s) of person(s) associated with the complaint and will include at least one executive committee member.
 - g. The Chairperson will be responsible for notifying all persons concerned with the case before the Judiciary.
 - h. If matters concern a person(s), they will be notified by the Chairperson, by the most appropriate means, at least two (2) days before the Judiciary meet to discuss the matters alleged against the person(s) and inviting him/her/them to be present at that meeting.
 - i. Should that/those person(s) not be able to be present at that meeting, they will be given the opportunity to present their case in writing, or to provide someone else to be present in their place, upon presenting a duly completed Proxy form.
 - j. A parent or guardian may accompany persons under 18 years of age if they so choose.
 - k. If the breach of Netball NSW's Codes of Conduct involves persons who are not registered members coming into contact with Association members, then the Executive committee shall meet to resolve the conflict.
 - l. If sufficient information has been received, the judiciary can hold a closed meeting to make a determination.
 - m. All Judiciary decisions can be subject to appeal within seven (7) days of the Judiciary decision being given. Appeals must be in writing and lodged with the Chairperson. Any player who is suspended from playing, and who registers an appeal to the Chairperson of the Judiciary within seven (7) days, shall be able to continue to play until the appeal is heard.

12. REPRESENTATIVE TEAMS

- a. The Association reserves the right to field Representative teams in any or all levels of competition that the Committee sees fit.
- b. The Association may nominate teams to participate at Netball NSW events.
- c. In the lead up to Championship Carnivals, teams will participate in carnivals and competitions as directed by the Association.
- d. The Association, in its absolute discretion, reserves the right to be the final arbiter of any decision to field or not to field a team.
- e. The Association will abide by the Netball NSW Junior and/or Senior State Titles Competition Rules.
- f. **Selection Protocol for Representative Coaches and Managers:**
 - i. The Association will, for each new calendar year, call for expressions of interest from suitably qualified persons to fulfill the role of Coach and Manager for any of its Representative teams.
 - ii. A Selection Committee will be formed by the Association each season to select officials and players for all Representative teams in that season.
 - iii. The Selection Committee may decline to appoint an applicant to a position of Coach or Manager. In this event, the Association may, at its absolute discretion, elect to

re-advertise the position in question. In the event that no further suitable applications are received, the Selection Committee may authorise the President to approach a preferred person for the position.

- iv. Representative players, coaches and administrative personnel shall abide by Netball NSW's endorsed Codes of Conduct and shall be subject to discipline under the code. Serious breaches may result in the Association acting to remove a person from the appointed position.
 - v. At the discretion of the Committee, the Association may contribute to course fees involved for Representative Coaches.
 - vi. At the discretion of the Committee, the Association may contribute to course fees involved for Umpires preparing for National C or higher accreditation, including updates, as a reimbursement only. Such course costs will be met only once.
 - vii. Umpires, appointed Coaches and Managers of Representative teams attending Netball NSW events will have expenses reimbursed at a rate proposed by the Representative Coordinator and approved by the Committee, prior to attending.
- g. **Selection Protocol for Representative Players:**
- i. Any player who is successful in obtaining a position on a Representative Team must be a registered player of the Association.
 - ii. Selection trials will be conducted at a time and place specified by the Committee and will comprise one or more sessions, as necessary.
 - iii. The selected training squad will be required to train as directed by the Coach of the squad.
 - iv. The Coach, in consultation with the Committee, will, at an appropriate time, reduce the squad, who will comprise the Representative Team for that age group.
 - v. At the discretion of the Selection Committee, a player selected in their own age group may be considered for inclusion in a higher age group if no team has been formed in their own age group in that year.
 - vi. To be eligible to represent the Association in the Netball NSW events, players must be current financial members of Netball NSW.
 - vii. Players must fulfill all commitments and regulations as stated in the Representative agreement.
 - viii. Representative players must pay any fees/costs associated with Representative selection, carnivals, uniform requirements and attendance at Netball events by any listed due date (or by other individual arrangement as agreed to by the Committee).
 - ix. Financial members of the Association, following the approval of such fundraising by the Committee, may undertake fundraising.

Cooma Netball Association, Social Competition

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- a. Net-Set-Go, Junior, Intermediate and Open game times, length of games, scheduled breaks, competition structure and additional considerations will be determined by the committee at the start of the current competition and outlined in the 'Social Competition Team Information' sheet.
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7. GRAND FINALS

- a. Qualifying teams play each other, ie;

i.	1	v	2
ii.	3	v	4
iii.	5	v	6
iv.	7	v	8
v.	9	v	10
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 - ii. Appeals; and
 - iii. Any action bringing the game into disrepute.
- f. The Association President (unless involved in the complaint) will be the Judiciary Chairperson (herein known as 'the Chairperson'). The Chairperson will, in consultation with the Executive, appoint four (4) other members to the Judiciary. The members will be drawn from financial, registered members of the Association. The judiciary members will not be drawn from team(s) of person(s) associated with the complaint and will include at least one executive committee member.
- g. The Chairperson will be responsible for notifying all persons concerned with the case before the Judiciary.
- h. If matters concern a person(s), they will be notified by the Chairperson, by the most appropriate means, at least two (2) days before the Judiciary meet to discuss the matters alleged against the person(s) and inviting him/her/them to be present at that meeting.
- i. Should that/those person(s) not be able to be present at that meeting, they will be given the opportunity to present their case in writing, or to provide someone else to be present in their place, upon presenting a duly completed Proxy form.
- j. A parent or guardian may accompany persons under 18 years of age if they so choose.
- k. If the breach of Netball NSW's Codes of Conduct involves persons who are not registered members coming into contact with Association members, then the Executive committee shall

meet to resolve the conflict.

- l. If sufficient information has been received, the judiciary can hold a closed meeting to make a determination.
- m. All Judiciary decisions can be subject to appeal within seven (7) days of the Judiciary decision being given. Appeals must be in writing and lodged with the Chairperson. Any player who is suspended from playing, and who registers an appeal to the Chairperson of the Judiciary within seven (7) days, shall be able to continue to play until the appeal is heard.