



LAKESIDE REC CENTRE POLICY AND PROCEDURES:

NETBALL BYLAWS

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LAKESIDE RECREATION CENTRE NETBALL BYLAWS (Revised June 2023)

1) General

- a) All Netball WA rules shall apply unless otherwise detailed in these bylaws.
- b) Day-to-day interpretation of these bylaws shall be the responsibility of the Centre Netball Co-ordinator. Appeals against interpretation shall be lodged in writing with the Centre Manager.
- c) Lakeside Recreation Centre Management Team reserves the right to adjust fees as required
- d) Wednesday morning Competition, All Children must be supervised by an adult on the sidelines

2) Registration

- a) New registration will be required at the commencement of each season.
- b) All players play at their own risk
- c) New Players may be introduced at any time during the season, providing that they comply with the requirements of By-laws.

3) Team Uniforms

- a) All players in each team are required to present themselves in conforming uniforms for each match
Crop tops and Sports bras are not acceptable game attire.
- b) Three weeks will be allowed from the commencement of the season for players to procure conforming uniforms. After which, one goal will be deducted for each quarter that a player is out of the required uniform. ie, two quarters played, two goals deducted, two players means two goals per quarter, etc.
- c) All teams are required to wear Team colours.
- d) A conforming uniform is the shade of the shirt and the colour of the bottoms.
- e) Monday & Wednesday Ladies Competition may wear skirts, shorts or tracksuit pants of their team colour. No outside pockets are permitted.

4) Jewellery

- a) The wearing of jewellery is not permitted however, in instances where removal is not possible, or the jewellery is required for religious reasons and the particular adornment will not endanger other players a player may be permitted to wear the item in question providing it is covered appropriately with tape.

5) Eligibility

- a) A team is required to ensure that the full names of players who take the court are written on the official score sheet.
- b) The penalty for including the names of players who did not take the court is the loss of all premiership points accrued for the season.
- c) Once a player has played five (5) games with a team they become a regular player of that team and the team may require regrading if the player changes the skill level and strength of the team.
- d) Finals eligibility for players is that they must have played one-third of the regular season.

6) Team Responsibility

- a) All teams must provide their own scorer for the duration of the match. No correspondence will be entered into the final score if the team did not supply a scorer.
- b) The team rep shall be responsible for the conduct of players and spectators.
- c) All players must ensure to the satisfaction of the Umpire/Centre Netball Co-ordinator, that fingernails and wedding rings do not present a hazard to other players and must remove any such item as directed. Gloves and taping are permitted.
- d) Any player deemed to be under the influence of alcohol or drugs shall be denied entry to the stadium and will be subject to a report by match officials.
- e) Whilst we recognise the need for teams to introduce new players during a season, we reserve the right not to allow teams to increase their playing strength beyond the compatibility of the grade in which they play, by the introduction of such players. Teams may be regraded if required.
- f) Registered Players who are filling in on another team, may only play in a wing position. Players can not fill in for a team below their registered Team's grade. This does not apply if there is only one grade.

7) Illegal Players

- a) The penalty for playing illegal players is an automatic forfeiture of the match(s) in which the offence occurred.
- b) Illegal players will be defined as follows:
 - i) *Playing whilst under suspension
 - ii) *Playing under an assumed name.
- c) A Player, knowingly playing, under an assumed name, or a coach playing a player under an assumed name, may be reported for misconduct to the Lakeside Recreation Centre management.

8) Time Clock operation

- a) In minor round matches, the clock shall not stop for injury. Any player who cannot move from the court should not do so. If due to the injury the game is abandoned, then management shall decide the outcome of the match.

9) Times

- a) All minor round matches shall consist of the following times unless indicated by the program:
 - i) Monday Night Competition – four nine (9) minute quarters, with two (2) a minutes half-time break.
 - ii) Wednesday Morning Competition – four ten (10) minute quarters, with two (2) minutes half-time break.

10) Premiership Points

- a) Monday Night Competition shall be 3 points awarded for a win, 2 points for a draw and -2 points for a forfeit.
- b) Wednesday Morning Competition shall be 3 points awarded for a win, 2 points for a draw and 0 points for a forfeit.

11) Drawn Matches

- a) In the event of an equal score in any minor round match, the match will be considered a draw and each team will be awarded 2 premierships points.
- b) In the event of a draw in a final round match, after a rest of two (2) minutes, the teams will play two rounds of five (5) minutes without a rest but changing ends between rounds. If a draw still occurs after this extra time ANA rules apply of play continuing until one team is ahead by two goals.

12) Finals Matches

- a) To qualify for finals matches, a player must be registered and have played at least one-third of the season, for the team which is participating in the finals.
- b) Finals will be fixtured. A time and date are to be decided by Lakeside Recreation Centre.
- c) Management reserves the right to grant permission for an ineligible player to play in finals. This player may only play in a wing position.

13) Forfeits

- a) When a team has five players the match must start. Should the other players arrive ready to play before the expiration of the first quarter, the match shall proceed as a normal game. For every minute that the game was late starting the offending team shall have a penalty of one goal for every minute late on court.
- b) Should a team not have five players by the end of the first quarter, this will be deemed an unannounced forfeit. The winning team may fill in the scoresheet for eligibility and play a scratch match if they desire. The score shall be 20 v nil.
- c) An unannounced forfeit will incur a \$90.00 fee, a forfeit announced before 5 pm will be \$70.00 and an announced forfeit at least 24 hours prior to the fixtures game will be \$50.00. (Centre Management Team reserves the right to increase these fees.) Repeated Forfeits against the same team will incur a \$90 fine.
- d) Any forfeit fees must be paid before the commencement of the team's next fixture game. Failure to pay by this date will render the team un-financial and no premierships points will be registered. These points cannot be reclaimed after payment has been made.
- e) In the event of an unannounced forfeit, the non-offending team shall receive a refund of game fees, unless they take part in a scratch match involving centre officials.

14. Abandoned Matches

- a. Decisions in relation to the outcome of abandoned matches will be determined by the Netball Coordinator, in consultation with the Centre Manager.

15. Player Reports

- a. Players and team officials shall be subject to report, by the umpire or any official for any form of misconduct.
- b. Any player reported will be required to answer the allegation made, either by phone with the Centre Manager or by appearing in person at a Lakeside Recreation Centre Tribunal. Tribunal hearings will be conducted in accordance with the Lakeside Recreation Centre Tribunal.
- c. Lakeside Recreation Centre is a “swear-free” stadium and the use of unacceptable and offensive language will not be tolerated. Such language may result in an official report and be handled in accordance with the Lakeside Recreation Centre Tribunal or may incur an immediate exclusion from the game without warning.
- d. Umpires may be approached at the break respectfully. Players/Spectators will be penalised for unsportsmanlike behaviour towards umpires and players

16. Fixtures

- a. Competition fixtures will not necessarily display complete rounds, hence the premiership points system (see 10a)

17. Bleeding

- a. Any player who is bleeding on the court must come off the court immediately and has 2 minutes to stop the blood flow and have the wound completely covered. Any blood on the ball or clothes must be removed before re-entering the court.

18. Netball Bibs

- a. Teams should provide their own netball bibs as part of the playing uniform. Lakeside Recreation Centre has bibs available for loan if required.
- b. Bibs will be provided when two teams have the same colour shirts/bibs