

PARKVILLE NETBALL BY-LAWS

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DEFINITIONS

In these By-Laws, except where stated, the following definitions apply:

Calendar Year – 1st January – 31st December of the Competition Year

Autumn Season – runs in the first half of the Competition Year

Spring Season – runs in the second half of the Competition Year

Week – is defined as commencing 00:00 Monday and concluding 23:59 Sunday

Competition games – all scheduled games in a Season in the Competition Calendar

Club/Team Contact – the nominated individual who will serve as the liaison between the Club/Team and Parkville Netball

Entity Teams – standalone teams that are not part of a club

Grading Rounds – a nominated number of matches played at the start of a season to confirm that team allocations into divisions is an accurate representation of the standard of play for each division. These matches may not count towards ladder positions

Parkville Netball Administration – Netball Victoria Performance Competitions Manager, Senior Competitions Coordinator and the Parkville Competitions Coordinator

Regrading – the reallocation of teams between divisions where there is a clear discrepancy within that division once the official season commences

Riverside Tennis & Netball Centre – playing venue of Parkville Netball located at Newsom St, Ascot Vale

State Netball Centre (SNC) - playing venue of Parkville Netball located at 10 Brens Drive, Parkville

Team Umpire – an umpire supplied by a team or club (all junior competitions)

Victorian Netball League Player – a player who has signed a Standard Player Agreement with a VNL Licensee in the current competition year. Players are confirmed once their name is published on the Netball Victoria website

VNL Open Player – a player who has signed a Standard Player Agreement with a VNL Licensee and is a member of a VNL Open Squad (Division 1 or Championship) in the current competition year

VNL 19 & Under Player – a player who has signed a Standard Player Agreement with a VNL Licensee and is one of the 12 named VNL 19 & Under Squad members in the current competition year



BYLAWS

These Bylaws govern Parkville Netball. They are the operating procedures that determine the conduct of the Competitions and its members. Any amendments to these Bylaws come into effect on the date they are approved by the Competition Administration and will remain in force until amended, repealed or replaced.

1. CORRESPONDENCE

- **1.1** All correspondence sent by a Club/Entity Team to Parkville Netball must be sent in writing from the Club Secretary or authorised person to the Competition Administration.
- **1.2** All correspondence from Parkville Netball to a Club/Entity Team will be addressed to the Club Secretary or authorised person.

2. FINANCES

- **2.1** Parkville Netball shall determine the fees to be paid by each Club and Team.
- **2.2** The fees shall be calculated to cover the costs of Parkville Netball management activities.
- 2.3 All monies due to Parkville Netball must be paid by the nominated due date. Clubs or Teams that have not paid by the nominated date will incur a penalty.
- 2.4 All players shall be fully paid members of their own Club or Team in order to be eligible to participate in any activities governed by Parkville Netball.
- 2.5 Any individual with outstanding debt to Parkville Netball shall not be permitted to take the court for any Club or Team in any competition until the outstanding debt is paid.
- 2.6 Any individual who breaches any Parkville Netball Bylaw may be subject to a fine as determined by Parkville Netball.

3. INFORMATION TO CLUBS

- **3.1** Parkville Netball shall provide information to all Clubs prior to the start of the season. This information may include:
 - Parkville Netball contact details
 - Parkville Netball venue address
 - Parkville Netball Bylaws
 - Fixtures
 - Details of courses, seminars etc.
- **3.2** Parkville Netball will ensure that clubs/teams are aware of and follow the correct administrative procedures and adhere to these By-Laws.

4. CLUB AND TEAM REGISTRATION

- 4.1 Online team entries will be available at least six (6) weeks prior to the season commencement. The Parkville Netball Office will promote when team entries will be available through the following channels:
 - (a) Posts on Parkville Netball's Facebook page
 - (b) Posts on Parkville Netball's website



- (c) Emails to nominated Club/Team Contacts
- **4.2** A Club/Team applying for entry into Parkville Netball shall:
 - (a) Complete and submit the online team Entry and pay the Entry Fee (as applicable) on or before the stated closing date and time. Any other relevant information may also be provided at this time. No late entries will be accepted, and no correspondence will be entered into.
 - (b) Satisfy to Parkville Netball Administration that they are prepared to field a team for all fixtured matches and are in a position to meet the financial requirements of the competition/s they are entering.
 - (c) Abide by the policies and bylaws of Parkville Netball.
 - (d) Agree to adhere to the requirements of any Competition sponsor/s they are participating in.
 - (e) Abide by Netball Victoria's Codes of Behaviour of Players, Coaches, Spectators and Parents.
 - (f) Register players via Netball Connect prior to the commencement of the season. These players must meet the eligibility as stated in sections 5, 7 and 11.
- **4.3** Parkville Netball reserves the right to refuse an entry from any Club/Team for any reason.
- **4.4** Teams entering for the first time may be accepted into Competitions subject to availability.
- **4.5** A maximum of six (6) teams from one club can be accepted in the Premier Open Competition (Tuesday).
- **4.6** Clubs/Teams must enter both Autumn and Spring seasons to be given preferential consideration for future entry.
- **4.7** Any outstanding fees will result in a Club/Team not being accepted into future seasons.
- **4.8** In the event of a team withdrawing from Parkville Netball:
 - (a) Within 14 days before the first game of the season the Club/Team will be liable for the Entry Fee.
 - (b) Once the Season's games have commenced the Club/Team will be liable for the Entry Fee and any outstanding Court Fees.

Note: Subsequent entry into future Competition/s may be jeopardised.

5. NETBALL VICTORIA (NV) MEMBERSHIP

- **5.1** The NV membership fees are set annually by Netball Victoria.
 - (a) In order to be eligible to participate in affiliated Association competitions or programs (including NetSetGO), as a player, coach or umpire, an individual must be a current financial Netball Victoria member. All Junior, Senior and All Abilities players, coaches and umpires must register through Netball Connect as provided by their Club or Parkville Netball.
 - (b) An off-the-court membership (administrative roles eg. President, secretary, timekeeper) will be offered to those members that have an off-court role.
- 5.2 No player, coach or umpire will be permitted to participate in any Parkville Netball activities in any capacity without a current NV membership. Any breach of this Bylaw will be subject to sanction to the individual, Team or Club as determined by the Competition Administration.
- **5.3** Single Game Vouchers may be used.



- (a) Individuals may purchase a Single Game Voucher which will allow the individual to participate as a player in Parkville Netball's activities for one game.
- (b) A player must purchase a Single Game Voucher through the Netball Connect prior to becoming eligible to participating in the relevant game or activity.
- **5.4** Team Insurance is available for Sunday Mixed Competitions instead of Netball Victoria memberships for individual players.

Note: If a Sunday Mixed netball player chooses to play at Parkville Netball on any other night of competition and/or at any other Netball Victoria affiliated Association/s, they must have a current Netball Victoria membership.

6. INCLUSIVE ENVIRONMENTS

- **6.1** Parkville Netball is committed to providing a safe, fair and inclusive sporting environment where all people can contribute and participate.
- 6.2 Parkville Netball may conduct cultural awareness training & inclusive workshops to ensure your club is providing a welcoming environment and creating awareness around cultural views and barriers.
- **6.3** Parkville Netball supports participation in netball on the basis of the gender with which a person identifies, as per the Netball Victoria Transgender and Gender Diverse Policy.
- **6.4** Parkville Netball observes the Netball Victoria Gender Regulation in regard to male participation.
- **6.5** Parkville Netball observes the Netball Victorian Gender Regulation in regard to mixed competition.

7. AGE REQUIREMENTS

- **7.1** Player age is determined as of 31st December, except in regard to males who are 13 years or older on the first day of competition.
- **7.2** Participants must provide their correct date of birth at the time of registering and failure to do so will result in ineligibility to participate in the Parkville Netball's activities.
- **7.3** Participants aged between 5 and 10 years are encouraged to participate in the NetSetGO Program.
- **7.4** Participants are only eligible to participate in certain age groups upon reaching the relevant age threshold (Minimum Age Requirements). The Minimum Age Requirements for each age group are:
 - a) Open 14 years
 - b) 17 & Under– 14 years
 - c) 15 & Under– 12 years
 - d) 13 & Under– 11 years
 - e) 11 & Under– 8 years
 - f) NetSetGO 6 years

Penalty: A Team or Club who breaches this Bylaw may be subject to a penalty of the loss of four (4) premiership points. 11 & Under and NetSetGO will be issued with a monetary fine as determined by the Competition Administration.

8. **COMPETITIONS & PROGRAMS**

8.1 Parkville Netball offers the following competition & programs:



- a) Monday Open Female (A Grade)
- b) Tuesday Premier Open Female
- c) Tuesday 17 & Under Female & Mixed
- d) Thursday Open Female (B Grade)
- e) Thursday 15 & Under Female
- f) Saturday Juniors
 - i. 17 & Under Female
 - ii. 15 & Under Female
 - iii. 15 & Under Modified Mixed
 - iv. 13 & Under
 - v. 11 & Under
 - vi. NetSetGO
- **8.2** Victorian Netball League (VNL) players in the current year are only permitted to play in the following divisions in the Tuesday Premier Open Competition:
 - a) VNL Open Players Premier Open Division 1 and 2
 - b) VNL 19 & Under Players Premier Open Divisions 1, 2 and 3

Note: There is no restriction for other competition nights.

- **8.3** Male players may participate in NetSetGO and 11 & Under competitions unrestricted.
- 8.4 Males may participate in the 13&U and 15&U Female competitions in the year in which turn 13 provided they are not already 13 on the starting date of the competition.
- **8.5** Males may participate in the 15&Under Modified Mixed division offered on a Saturday.

9. GRADING

- **9.1** Parkville Netball Administration will be responsible for grading and regrading teams each season.
- **9.2** Grading requests submitted to Parkville Netball by a club or team will be considered by the Competition without any obligation to take any further action in relation to the grading of that team
- **9.3** Teams will initially be allocated to divisions, with no more than 12 teams in any one division. The allocations may be determined by, but not limited to:
 - Division requested by the club/team
 - · Recent playing history of team
 - Playing ability and experience of the players
 - The need to fulfil the minimum number of teams required in a division
 - (a) Senior Competitions
 - Where possible, no club shall have two (2) teams in any one division. However, the Parkville Netball Administration will use its discretionary power to fill divisions if necessary.
 - ii. The teams placed in the bottom two (2) ladder positions of each division may be relegated (where possible) for the upcoming season.
 - iii. The teams placed in the top two (2) ladder positions of each division may be promoted (where possible) for the upcoming season.



iv. In the event of a team from the same club already holding a position in a higher or lower division, another team (top or bottom) may be promoted or relegated.

(b) Junior Competitions

- i. Teams shall be placed in an appropriate division regardless of whether more than one (1) team from the same club will be in that division.
- ii. The teams placed in the bottom two (2) ladder positions of each division may be relegated (where possible) for the upcoming season.
- iii. The teams place in the top two (2) ladder positions of each division may be promoted (where possible) for the upcoming season.
- iv. Junior teams have the right to decline a promotion to a higher age group.
- **9.4** Grading rounds may occur each season, and following this, divisions and teams may have their premiership points and goals reset to zero.
- **9.5** Re-grading may occur at any time within the first three (3) weeks of any season. Where there is an obvious discrepancy after this time, Parkville Netball may make any necessary changes.
- **9.6** If a team is re-graded during a season, premiership points and goals for and against accrued in the initial grade in that season will be transferred and apply in the new grade the team has been allocated into for the remainder of the season.
- **9.7** Parkville Netball Administration will be the ultimate adjudicator of all grading decisions.

10. UNIFORM

10.1 Players

- (a) All clubs/teams must nominate their playing uniform to the Parkville Netball Administration for approval.
- (b) All players must wear their club/team's registered playing uniform. Club/teams must register their uniform in any of the following combinations:
 - shirt and skirt; and/or
 - shirt and shorts; and/or
 - playing dress

Note: uniforms must be registered at the start of the season with the combination of playing uniforms included (if available).

- (c) Players must wear playing position initials 150 mm (6 inches) high which must be clearly visible and worn above the waist, front and back as per Rules of Netball 5.1.1. Positional bibs are reserved for the Competition sponsor.
- (d) Nails and/or jewellery may be taped. Taped nails must have one piece of tape over the top of the nail and down to the first knuckle, and at least one piece of tape around the nail. Rigid sports tape must be used, no band aids or paper tape permitted.
- (e) Leggings, tights, bike shorts, tracksuit pants and gloves are not permitted, except:
 - i. If registered as part of the team uniform.
 - ii. On the grounds of a medical condition which is confirmed with a doctor's certificate signed by a qualified medical practitioner and provided to the Competition supervisor; or



- iii. Religious, cultural or personal reasons upon application in writing to the Parkville Netball Administration.
- (f) Players in the Sunday Mixed Competition must follow the Parkville Netball Uniform Bylaws as outlined in Section 10.1 unless stated below:
 - i. Sunday Mixed Teams do not need to register their playing uniform, but must adhere to Parkville Netball Uniform Code, and bibs must be of the same colour.
 - ii. Players may wear gloves.
 - iii. Compression garments of any length may be worn by players but male players must wear compression garments underneath their playing shorts.
- (g) Individual club Sponsorship is acceptable but must not conflict with the major sponsors of Netball Victoria or Parkville Netball. Sponsorship logos are permitted on the Playing and Non-Playing Uniform.
- (h) All Competitions adhere to the guidelines provided in Netball Victoria's Sponsorship Guidelines for Associations/Clubs. This information can be obtained from Netball Victoria's website.

Penalty: Players not in the correct uniform or have not been granted an exemption will not be permitted to take the court.

10.2 Umpires

- (a) All umpires must wear white shirt or jumper/jacket that is distinct from the team's playing uniforms.
- (b) All umpires must wear either white bottoms (skirt/shorts) or the navy Parkville umpiring shorts (available for purchase).
- (c) Suitable shoes shall be worn.
- (d) Track pants or sporting tights may only be worn underneath the umpiring uniform on cold nights when umpiring outdoor games.

11. CLEARANCES

- 11.1 Clearances are required for players at Parkville Netball who wish to transfer from one club to another during the current calendar year. A player does not require a clearance to play for a new club if they have not taken to the court for a different club in a competition in the preceding calendar year or the current calendar year. A player does not require a clearance if they are playing for one club in one competition and another club in a different competition (i.e. Tuesday and Thursday).
- **11.2** Clubs can request a clearance through the Parkville Netball Administration, either using the online form or by email.
- **11.3** The player cannot take to the court until the application for clearance has been lodged and subsequently granted.
- 11.4 Clubs have 10 working days to refuse to grant a clearance for any player who owes outstanding playing fees or is in possession of club property (uniform/equipment). If a club refuses to grant a clearance, Parkville Netball must be notified in writing by the club/team contact within 10 working days. Parkville Netball will then notify the requesting club advising the reason for refusal. If no response is received to a clearance request within 10 working days, it will be granted automatically.



- **11.5** If a clearance is refused, the player may appeal in writing to Parkville Netball. Consideration of the appeal shall be within 10 working days of receipt.
- **11.6** Any dispute arising from clearance restrictions will be dealt with according to the grievance procedure outlined in Netball Victoria's Member Protection Policy.
- **11.7** No player will be granted more than one (1) clearance per calendar year.

Penalty: A loss of 4 points by the receiving club in each instance the player takes the court without approved clearance as determined by the competition.

12. CONDUCT OF GAMES

- 12.1 Game rules shall be those of INF Rules of Netball 2020 unless otherwise stated in these By-Laws.
- **12.2** Additional Rules for Mixed Competitions:
 - (a) At all times at least one (1), but no more than three (3) male players shall be on the court during play.

Note: Junior Modified Mixed teams may have zero (0) males on court.

(b) Male players may only play one in each third.

Note: This rule does not indicate that the male centre third player shall be the centre player; he may be WA or WD. It is not necessary for a male player to be opposed to a male player.

- **12.3** Fixtures for all Competitions indicating courts and times will be available online to be viewed by Clubs/Teams no earlier than 10 days prior to the season commencing.
- **12.4** Timing of games is as follows:
 - (a) Monday, Thursday, Saturday and Mixed competitions:
 - i. 4 x 10-minute quarters
 - ii. 1 minute intervals at quarter and three-quarter time
 - iii. 2 minute interval at half time
 - (b) Tuesday Premier Open Division 1:
 - i. 4 x 15-minute quarters
 - ii. 3 minute intervals at quarter and three-quarter time
 - iii. 4 minute interval at half time
 - (c) Tuesday 17&Under and Open Divisions 2 8:
 - i. 4 x 12-minute quarters
 - ii. 1 minute intervals at quarter and three-quarter time
 - iii. 3 minute interval at half time
- **12.5** Game time will not stop for injury, illness or blood stoppage. Umpires will hold time and players must leave the court immediately with substitutions made as quickly as possible
- **12.6** A game may be stopped by the umpires in extenuating circumstances to ensure a safe playing area is maintained.

13. SCORING

13.1 Scoring of matches will be using the Netball Connect App (Live Scoring)



- (a) Each team should provide a non-participating scorer for each game. These scorers must sit/stand together at the score bench for the duration of the match.
- (b) The first named team will be responsible for scoring on the App.
- (c) Each player who takes the court must be recorded in the app before the completion of the game. For Tuesday Premier Division 1, each positional change must be recorded in the App.
- (d) At the conclusion of the game, the scorers are to confirm and submit the score.
- **13.2** If a scorer, Team or Club believes the final score is incorrect they must:
 - i. notify the Competition Supervisor of their intention to protest
 - ii. lodge a dispute in writing with the Parkville Netball Administration within 48 hours of the game being played
 - iii. Parkville Netball will advise the result of the dispute and this decision shall be final and binding on all parties.

Penalty: A loss of 2 points if a team has not correctly listed the players taking the court.

14. COMPETITION LADDERS

- **14.1** Competition ladders will be available for all Competitions, except 11 & Under and NetSetGO. These ladders will be available to be viewed on the Parkville Netball website and the Netball Connect App.
- **14.2** Premiership points are awarded during the season as follows:
 - (a) Win: 4 points
 - (b) Draw: 2 points
 - (c) Loss: 0 points
 - (d) Bye: 4 points
 - (e) Abandonment (i.e. rained out matches): 2 points
 - (f) Forfeit for: 4 points
 - (g) Forfeit against: 0 points
- **14.3** Ladder placings will be determined by the number of premiership points.
 - (a) In the event of multiple teams being equal on points, placings shall be determined by calculating the goal percentage [goals scored / goals against].
 - (b) If there are multiple teams that finish equal on percentage, the placings shall be determined by which team scored the greater total number of goals for the season.

15. BORROWING PLAYERS

- **15.1** A player may play in a maximum of two games per night/day of Competition. Players may only play with the same club, except for circumstances in 15.2.
- **15.2** Entity Teams may borrow from another Entity Team from a team either in the same division or lower and comply with 15.4 otherwise the player will be deemed ineligible. Entity Teams are listed in Appendix B.
- **15.3** There shall be no limitation on the movement of players between teams of the same club during the season, except as stated in 15.4 and/or 15.5.



- **15.4** Once a player has played four (4) games in a division, they are ineligible to play in a lower division for their club on that particular day/night of competition for the remainder of the season; or
- 15.5 Where there are two or more teams from the same club in the same division, players may transfer between teams until the player takes the court for a fourth game with the one team. Once this occurs, the player must remain with the team they played their fourth game with for the remainder of that season.
- **15.6** Players needing to be added to a team list for a game can be done in one of three ways:
 - (a) Add the player to a team through the club's Netball Connect profile (club teams only), note the player must be registered to the club and the relevant competition division;
 - (b) Have the player register to the team prior (using the team's netball Connect link) to the match (Entity Teams only)
 - (c) Use the 'Borrowed' player feature on the Netball Connect App Refer to sections 5, 7, 11 and (c) for player eligibility.

16. FINALS

- **16.1** Finals will be played for all competitions and age groups except for 11 & Under and NetSetGO age groups who will continue to play regular round matches whilst other age groups play finals.
- **16.2** Finals format will be as follows:
 - (a) Autumn Season 2 week finals series
 - i. Semi Final 1: 1st placed v 4th placed; Semi Final 2: 2nd placed v 3rd placed
 - ii. Grand Final: winner SF1 v winner SF2
 - (b) Spring Season 3 week finals series
 - i. Semi Final 1: 1st placed v 2nd placed; Semi Final 2: 3rd placed v 4th placed
 - ii. Preliminary Final: loser SF1 v winner SF1
 - iii. Grand Final: winner SF1 v winner PF

Note: Parkville Netball may adjust the finals format of a season/competition if necessary.

- **16.3** If a final does not reach half time, it will be re-scheduled.
- 16.4 In the event of a drawn games in finals,
 - (a) At the end of the game when scores are tied, there is a 2-minute interval during which substitutions and/or positional changes may be made.
 - (b) At the end of the 2-minute interval, 2 x 5-minute halves will be played, with a half-time interval of 1 minute. teams change ends at half-time, and substitutions and/or positional changes may be made.
 - (c) The first centre pass in each half is taken by the team entitled to the next centre pass. If, at the end of the second 5 minutes, the scores are still level, then play continues until one team leads by two goals

17. PLAYER QUALIFICATION FOR FINALS

17.1 Players must play at least one quarter of the season (see Appendix A) in a particular division of a competition day/night to qualify for finals of that competition.



- 17.2 Once a player has played one quarter of the season for their club/team in one division, they are eligible for finals in that division or any higher divisions for that club/team on that competition day/night.
- **17.3** A player may play in one division only on a night/day of competition during the final series.
- 17.4 In extenuating circumstances, the Parkville Netball Administration may give special consideration for a player to play for a team outside of Player Qualification for Finals Bylaws. It is the responsibility of the club/team contact to apply in writing for special consideration.

Penalty: teams that play an ineligible player during finals will forfeit that game.

18. FAILURE TO TAKE THE COURT & FORFEITS

- **18.1** All Competition games commence at the time listed in the fixture.
- 18.2 In the event that there are fewer than five (5) players present for one team, a maximum period of 10 minutes shall be allowed for at least five players of a team to arrive. The non-offending team shall be awarded one (1) penalty goal per whole minute passed of this time. If at the end of this time, there are fewer than five players present; the game shall be awarded to the non-offending team (4 points, score 10-0).
- 18.3 In the event that there are fewer than five players present for both teams, a maximum period of 10 minutes shall be allowed for at least five players of a team to arrive. A team can only be awarded penalty goals per minute if the said team has at least five players in position ready to play. If at the end of this time, there are fewer than five players present for both teams the game shall be abandoned and no points or score shall be awarded to either team.
- 18.4 In the event that a team or club forfeits prior to the game clock starting at the scheduled time, the game shall be awarded to the non-offending team (4 points, score 10-0). A maximum of 12 nominated players of the non-offending team shall be credited a game for qualification purposes. Players of the offending team shall not be credited a game.
- 18.5 A forfeit fine (in addition to the match fees) will be imposed which must be paid before the next fixtured game for the offending team unless the team notifies the Parkville Netball office in writing (email info@parkville.netballvic.com.au) no later than 12:00pm the day of the game of its intention to forfeit. Teams playing Saturday Junior or Sunday Mixed have until 4:00pm on Friday to notify the Parkville Netball office of their intention to forfeit. Under these circumstances, no fine will be imposed, however weekly fees will still be applicable.
- **18.6** Multiple forfeits in any Competition by a Club/Team may result in being excluded entry into future Competitions.

19. CANCELLATIONS

- **19.1** If Parkville Netball cancels a game due to player safety (eg. wet weather, power outage) prior to the starting, both teams will be credited with two (2) points. A maximum of 12 nominated players can be credited a game for qualification purposes.
- **19.2** If a game is cancelled at, or after half time, the scores at the time will stand.
- **19.3** Once the game is underway, if one team abandons the game, then four points are awarded to the opposition. If both teams wish to abandon the game, no points are awarded. Court fees must still be paid as the game was not cancelled by the Competition.



20. SELECTION OF REPRESENTATIVE TEAMS

20.1 The Parkville Netball Selection Policy is available on the Parkville Netball website.

21. TEAM OFFICIALS

21.1 Coaches

- (a) All coaches are encouraged to hold a minimum 'Foundation Coaching Level Accreditation' in order to coach a Team or Club.
- (b) All coaches aged 18 or over must hold a current Working with Children Check (WWCC). Clubs are to manage their own WWCC register, and a copy must be submitted to Parkville Netball along with team entry.

21.2 Team Managers

- (a) Clubs or teams may have a Team Manager.
- (b) Team Managers aged 18 or over must hold a current Working with Children Check (WWCC). Clubs are to manage their own WWCC register, and a copy must be submitted to Parkville Netball along with team entry.

21.3 Umpires

- (a) A panel of umpires will be supplied by the competition for all Open, Tuesday 17&U and Thursday 15&U divisions who play at SNC.
- (b) Umpires for all junior competitions playing at Riverside (Tues/Thurs) or at SNC on a Saturday, are to be supplied by the teams.
- (c) Team umpires on the following competitions must be badged (minimum C Grade).
 - i. Tuesday 17 & Under Female (division 3)
- (d) Unbadged team umpires are permitted to umpire on the following competitions:
 - i. Tuesday 17 & Under Female (divisions 4-6 only)
 - ii. Thursday 15 & Under Female (divisions 3-7 only)
 - iii. Saturday Juniors Competitions.

Note: Unbadged umpires must (a) have completed an online Umpires Theory Exam or (b) be currently completing or have completed an Umpires Foundation Education Course, prior to or during the Competition Season.

- (e) Team umpires in Tuesday 17 & Under Female and Thursday 15 & Under Female competitions (Riverside only) will umpire their own club/team unless otherwise instructed by the Court Supervisor. Team umpires are to report to the Court Supervisor 15 minutes prior to the scheduled starting time to get their court allocations.
- (f) Umpires are not permitted to umpire more than three (3) games on any competition day/night.
- (g) Parkville Netball reserves the right to request a club/Team replace their umpire if the provided umpire is not to the standard of the grade in which they are officiating.



(h) In the event that a team umpire is late for their game, the non-offending team shall be awarded one (1) goal for every minute until quarter time the said umpire is late. At quarter time the game will be declared a forfeit. Four points will be deducted for a first offence. More severe penalties can be imposed by the Parkville Netball Administration for repeat offences. Repeat offences will jeopardise that club/Team entry into future Competitions.

22. AWARDS

- **22.1** All NetSetGO and 11&U participants will receive a participation award as deemed appropriate by Parkville Netball.
- **22.2** All players who participate in a grand final will receive an award to be determined by Parkville Netball.
- **22.3** Saturday Court Supervisors will nominate one unbadged umpire officiating the Junior Umpire Development Program to be presented with the annual Gail Schwabl award.
- **22.4** Each Autumn season the Most Valuable Player of the Tuesday Premier Open Division 1 competition, as voted by the officiating umpires will receive an award.

23. COURSES, SEMINARS & OTHER OPPORTUNITIES

- **23.1** Parkville Netball shall provide notification of opportunities for all members to improve their skills by attending courses, seminars and other personal development activities.
- **23.2** Parkville Netball shall encourage and support members who wish to attend appropriate courses, seminars and other personal development activities.

24. RISK MANAGEMENT

24.1 Game Day Checklist

- (a) A Game Day Checklist must be completed prior to all Parkville Netball competitions, tournaments, games, programs and training.
- (b) Any hazards identified will be:
 - i. Documented;
 - ii. Rectified if possible; and
 - iii. Reported to the appropriate agency (local council, venue management) if major repair is required.

24.2 First Aid and Injury Reporting

- (a) Parkville Netball will provide a qualified first aid officer at all competitions played at Parkville Netball venues.
- (b) Parkville Netball will have a designated room or area for the treatment of injuries. The room or area should be kept clean and accessible at all times.
- (c) Any injuries reported to the first aid officer will be recorded on an Injury Report Form.

24.3 Child Safety in Netball

(a) Parkville Netball and all Teams and Clubs are responsible for the observance, promotion, enforcement and monitoring of the Child Safety in Netball Policy and Code of Conduct.



- (b) Parkville Netball and all Teams and Clubs are responsible for the management and administration of the application of the Netball Victoria Working with Children Check Regulation.
- **24.4** Emergency phone numbers ambulance, police and an emergency procedure plan are to be displayed at the Competition venue/s.
- **24.5** In the case of extreme weather conditions, the Parkville Netball shall refer to the Sport Medicine Australia Hot Weather Guidelines.
- **24.6** Parkville Netball adopts a smoke free policy. Smoking is banned within 10 metres of an outdoor public sporting venue during organised underage sporting events and training sessions.
- 24.7 Parkville Netball will adopt a sun smart policy.
- **24.8** Parkville Netball will adopt all codes, policies, procedures and regulations from Netball Australia and Netball Victoria as amended from time to time.

25. DISPUTE RESOLUTION

- **25.1** Where a member breaches a Bylaw, and that Bylaw prescribes a penalty for such breach, then Parkville Netball may impose such penalty. For any other breach of the Bylaws, Parkville Netball will impose any other penalty it sees fit in accordance with these Bylaws.
- **25.2** Any member who does not agree with a penalty or action of Parkville Netball made under this Bylaw, may advise Parkville Netball in writing within a timely manner following the penalty or decision being made. Parkville Netball may then:
 - (a) Discuss the issue with the relevant party and then make a decision regarding the matter. Parkville Netball shall inform the party/s involved of their decision either verbally or in writing; or
 - (b) Have an informal meeting with the relevant party/s in order to discuss and resolve the dispute.
- **25.3** Any penalty imposed under Bylaw 25 is final.

26. PENALTIES

- **26.1** Any breach of these By-Laws will be reviewed by the Parkville Netball Administration. If appropriate, the Parkville Netball Coordinator may determine any of the following penalties to be incurred:
 - (a) A monetary fine
 - (b) Loss of premiership points
 - (c) Any other penalty as deemed appropriate.
- **26.2** Repeat instances shall be considered by the Parkville Netball Coordinator and may result in exclusion from the current and future Competitions.

27. SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES/PROVISIONS CLAUSE

Where a By-Law is silent, a decision can be made that ensures the integrity of Parkville Netball is maintained at all times.



The Parkville Netball Administration may, in using their reasonable discretion, in exceptional or extenuating circumstances, alter, vary or waive the requirements set out in these By-Laws relating to Parkville Netball.

28. INDEMNITY

Except where provided or required by law and such cannot be excluded, Parkville Netball and its officers, members, servants or agents are absolved from all liability however arising from injury or damage, however caused arising whilst participating as a member.

Appendix A – FINALS QUALIFICATIONS

Games Played	Quarter of Games	Games for Qualification
12	3	3
13	3.25	3
14	3.5	4
15	3.75	4
16	4	4
17	4.25	4
18	4.5	5
19	4.75	5

Appendix B – ENTITY TEAMS

Airport Saints 5

Fireball

Dolphins

Excellent Sharks

Valley Vixens

MOGs

Brunswick Boomers

Open A7

Open A7

Open A7

Open A7

Open A8 Open A8

Open A8

Open A8

Monday Competition	Division	Thursday Competition	Division
Angry Birds	Open A1/2	Blue Steel	Open B1
Eastern Falcons	Open A1/2	INFERNOS	Open B1
Flames	Open A1/2	Hot Pursuits	Open B1
Heights Old Girls	Open A1/2	Phoenix	Open B1
Sisters	Open A1/2	Wozzies	Open B1
The Jets	Open A1/2	Obliterate 2	Open B2
Western Flames	Open A1/2	Nero Jets Thursday	Open B2
Fifty Fifty	Open A3	Brunswick Lightning	Open B3
Firebirds	Open A3	Obliterate 3	Open B3
Obliterate	Open A3	Tyrannoballus Rex	Open B4
Moonlighting	Open A3	Genki	Open B5
Nero Jets	Open A3	The Young and the Restless	Open B5
The Mighty Ducks	Open A3	Carlton Neons	Open B6
Airport Saints 1	Open A4	Usual Chaos (UC)	Open B6
Beamers	Open A4	Blueys	Open B7
SAPV	Open A4		
Sweaty Betties	Open A4		
The Better Halves	Open A4		
Coconuts	Open A5		
The Flamingoes	Open A5		
Airport Saints 4	Open A6		
Purple Reign	Open A6		
The Breakaways	Open A6		