

# **TIBROS NETBALL CLUB**

## LADIES SOCIAL NIGHT NETBALL POLICY

COMPETITION RULES AND GUIDELINES

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## **Tibro's Social Netball Competition Policy**

## **Competition Conditions**

- Games will be played and umpired under the official International Netball Federation (INF) "Rules of Netball" 2018 Edition and set by Netball QLD.
- It is the responsibility of the Team Captain to ensure that team members are fully aware of the Rules of Netball as well as the information written in this Competition Manual.
- Any alterations to the official Rules of Netball and applied to Social Netball Competitions are specified in this Competition Manual.
- Netball QLD and Tibros Netball club have the right to change and update any ruling within this Competition Manual to ensure the best possible competition for its members.
- Any changes to these conditions will be communicated to umpires and players in a timely manner prior to implementation.
- These conditions will apply to both Women's and Mixed Social Netball Competitions and across all divisions.

## **Competition Outline**

- Ladies Social Netball Competition will be played on Tuesday nights.
- All games are played outside at Glass House Mountains Club (902 Steve Irwin Way Glass House Mountains)
- The minimum playing age for the Women's competition is 14 years.
- All players MUST be registered with Netball connect BEFORE they can take the court.

### Fill in players-

- Teams may use a fill in player if necessary.
- A member of another team may fill in but can only play in wing positions of WA / WD then C
- if a third fill in is used.
- An outside fill in player can play in any position. If an outside fill in player has played three games, they then must register to play any further games.
- To qualify for finals, all players must have played 4 Games.

## Team Captain

- Teams must have one designated Team Captain for the season.
- They are the Primary Contact for all on and off-court matters for their team.
- The Team Captain responsibilities also include:
  - Conducting the initial team nomination.
  - Ensuring all players are registered to the team on Netball Connect
  - Team fees are paid in full.
  - ALL players have played the minimal number of games to qualify for finals.
  - ALL players meet the age requirements as per the competition conditions.
  - ALL players acknowledge and abide by competition conditions as outlined.
  - ALL players are informed of game times and/or game changes.

## **Team Communication**

• The Ladies Convenor will direct all important communication to the Team Captain and/or players via email and/or phone.

## **Game Times**

• Games times are a 6:30 start or a 7:30 start

## **Byes**

• We cannot guarantee an even number of teams across all grades and divisions. As a result, byes may be necessary to fulfil the draw.

## Draw and Ladder

- The full season draw will be made available after the 3rd round on netball connect
- The season draw will be sent to the team captain
- The following points system will be used during the Grading games as well as the regular season
- **Fixtures**: Win = 2 pts

Loss = 0 pts Draw = 1 pts Bye = 2 pts Forfeit Loss\* = 0 pts Forfeit Win = 2 pts \*Subject to the nature of the forfeit see Forfeits for further details \*

## **Player Registration**

- The player registration fee is \$50.00 per player per calendar year (2024 fees).
- Final's series are included in these fees
- This registration fee also includes insurance coverage for all players registered
- Failure register may result in competition penalties for the team. Penalties could include but are not limited to, suspension of competition points or suspension from taking the court, deduction of competition points and/or removal from the competition.
- Team Captains will be provided with player registration instructions upon nominating a team.
- Teams can register a total of 10 players.

## Weekly Game Fees

- The weekly game fee is \$80.00 (2024 fees) per team to play (excluding Grand Final).
- Game fee is to be paid in 1 payment via team captain or a nominated person per team.
- There will be NO credits carried over from previous seasons or towards future Social Netball seasons.
- There will be NO refunded fees for BYEs or Win on Forfeit

## **Individual Players**

• Individual players who do not have a team may contact the Ladies Social Convenor to express their interest to play. Appropriate teams/divisions will then be contacted with the individual's contact details and the Team Contact will be responsible for further contacting the player.

## **Withdrawals**

- No refunds to players can be made if a player decides to leave the competition.
- It is up to the Team Captain as to how payments are received and/or transferred amongst players.
- Registration is not transferrable to another player.
- Draws and ladders will be appropriately adjusted by the discretion of Tibros Netball club for any team who is withdrawn from the competition by choice or by expulsion.

## **Forfeits**

• If a team needs to forfeit their game, they MUST contact the Competition Convenor.

## The following Forfeit penalties will apply:

- Early forfeit BEFORE 3pm on the day of the scheduled game will receive no competition points.
- Late forfeit AFTER 3pm on the day of the scheduled game will be deducted two (2) competition points.
- Without Notice Teams will be deducted two (2) competition points and fined \$100. The offending team cannot take the court until the forfeit fee is paid.
- Teams given the Extreme Late Forfeit penalty for the third time in a season will be removed from the competition and will not receive any refund on registration fees.
- To take the court a minimum of five (5) players are required.
- If a team fails to have 5 players on court by the start of the game, the opposition will be awarded one (1) goal for every full minute that elapses until the minimum player requirement is met.
- If after ten (10) minutes the team cannot meet the minimum of five (5) players, they will forfeit the game. The offending team will be penalized with an Extreme Late Forfeit.

## **Finals Series Format**

- The Finals Series will be played after the conclusion of the regular season fixtures.
- The top four (4) teams with the most competition points in each division will compete in the final series.
- If teams are tied for competition points, the finals positions will be determined using the following steps:
  - Team with the highest goal percentage during the regular season rounds (goals for divided by goals against multiplied by 100).

If teams are still tied:

• Team in whom won the match between the 2 teams concerned during their last fixture round.

If teams are still tied:

• Team with the better For and Against (the difference between goals for and goals against)

If teams are still tied:

- Most Goals during the full regular season rounds
- The format for each division's final series is as follows:
- Semi-Final 1: 1 st vs 2nd and Semi-Final
- 2: 3 rd vs 4th
- Preliminary Final: loser of Semi-Final 1 vs Winner of semi-Final 2
- Grand Final: Winner Semi-Final 1 vs Winner of Preliminary Final
- The draw for the final's series will be determined at the conclusion of the regular fixtures.
- Tibros Netball Club has the right to alter Final's format to best suit the competition needs.
- A team may make themselves unavailable for finals however they must do so before the finals draw has been released.
- If a team does withdraw from finals before the draw is released a subsequent team below them on the ladder can be made available to take their place.
- If a team withdraws after the finals draw has been released, the team in which they were planned to play will win on forfeit and automatically move through to the next Finals round.

## **Finals Eligibility**

- Players must be registered through Tibros Netball Club and listed on the team sheet.
- Players must have played a minimum of 4 games for that team during the season
- Team attendance sheets will be reviewed for the Finals Series before teams take the court.

### **Drawn Finals Games**

• In the event of a draw during the Final the following will take place

- At the completion of regular time there will be a one (1) minute break o After the one (1) minute break, teams will change ends and two (2) halves of five (5) minutes extra time will be played.
- After the first five (5) minute half teams will change ends and continue their 2nd (5) minute half with no break. o If the game is still drawn at the end of the 2nd five (5) minute half, play continues until one team gains a two (2) goal advantage.
- Unlimited substitutions during extra time are permitted.

### • <u>Awards</u>

• Presentations for the Winners and Runners-up will be held at the venue after Grand Final.

### Wet Weather

• It is at the discretion of the competition convenor to cancel/postpone games due to wet or dangerous weather. The decision will be communicated to the team captain who will pass on the information.

• Games in regular season will be cancelled.

- Games in finals series will be postponed to the following week OR a suitable alternative night. All attempts will be made to reschedule the games to a night that suits both teams, however, is dependent on court and umpire availability.
- Should games have already commenced and need to be cancelled due to wet weather the following will stand:
- For regular rounds Play will be paused for 5 minutes to see if wet weather passes. If after 5 minutes rain is continuing and is unsafe to play a decision will be made by the Convenor in conjunction with the umpires.
- If less than one quarter has been played, the round will be cancelled, and no competition points awarded. No game fees required to be paid.
- If more than one quarter, but less than half a game has been played, the round will be cancelled, and one competition points awarded to each time. Game fees are required to be paid.
- If more than half a game has been played, than the team winning at the time the game is cancelled will receive the competition points. Game fees are required to be paid.

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- If less than half a game has been played, the game will be cancelled and rescheduled to an alternative night.
- If more than half a game has been played, than the team winning at the time the game is cancelled will receive the competition points.

## Team Uniform

- Uniforms are NOT compulsory at for social netball.
- Appropriate attire suitable for outdoor sports is required skirts, shorts, bike pants or tights are to be of an appropriate length (no Buttocks on display) and t-shirts / singlets covering the torso are required.
- Suitable outdoor sports footwear is required (spiked soles are not allowed) Netball shoes are recommended.
- Players are permitted to wear skins or other compression/sportswear type pants.
- All teams must supply their own team bibs/positional patches in matching colours and in good condition.
- If by the umpire's discretion teams must change their bibs (i.e., colour clash amongst the two teams playing) then the team will be able to borrow bibs from the convenor for no further fee.
- If however teams need to borrow bibs without any appointment from the umpire, they will be required to pay a \$5 fee to the Ladies Convenor on the night.
- No item of jewellery, except a medical alert bracelet/necklace.
- If a medical adornment is worn, a medical certificate must be supplied to the Convenor before any commencement of play.
- The medical adornment must be taped to prevent the risk of injury to the wearer or any other person on the court.
- If earrings or similar are unable to be removed, dispensation must be sort from the Convenor, and they must be taped. The player can then continue to play, however they do so at their own risk of injury and may not be covered by insurance.

- Fingernails will be short and smooth to the umpires' satisfaction. Gloves are permitted.
- If glasses are worn, they must be properly secured to the umpires' satisfaction.
- No game will be delayed beyond the scheduled commencement time to permit any uniform offence to be rectified. The offending player will not be allowed on the court until uniform requirements are satisfied.

## **Scorers**

- Teams will be required to provide a scorer for their games.
- If a scorer is unavailable teams may score, the GS and GK from the club house end will be responsible for keeping score.
- All score sheets will be provided.
- All scorers must be at least 12 years of age.
- The final score on the score sheet is deemed to be final.
- Umpires, Captains of both teams, and the Scorer for the game will be required to confirm the scores at the completion of the game.
- During the Finals series both teams are required to supply a scorer.

## Team Attendance

- Team attendance will be taken for each team via the score sheet prior to the game starting
- If a player fails to enter their name on the score sheet, their game will NOT be counted towards their Finals Eligibility
- Insurance can only be guaranteed for players who are financially registered through Netball Connect with Tibros Netball Club.

## **Substitutions**

- Substitutions cannot be made during the game unless injury time is called.
- Substitutions may be made during the quarter time, half time and three-quarter time intervals. There is no limit to the number that can be made.
- Play will be stopped if injury time is called, and a player may be substituted on, and position swapped during injury time. The umpire can stop a game for any period to deal with an injury, however, the clock will not stop, and no time will be added to the final quarter.
- Players can only enter the play once the subbing player has completely exited the court and the player coming on is wearing the correct bib.
- During a stoppage for injury or illness both teams will be allowed to make substitutions and/or team changes if desired. Blood Policy
- Players sustaining bleeding injuries will move or be removed from the court as soon as possible.
  Any blood marks on the court, clothing/bib or the ball must be removed and disinfected immediately by the bleeding player or competition convenor
- Players will not take the court with bleeding wounds or wounds that are not adequately covered. First Aid
- Competition convenor is authorized to provide the appropriate medical treatment including ice bags and calling for an ambulance.
- Injury Report Forms will need to be completed on the night of which the injury occurred.

## Personal Injury Claim

- Only players who are financially registered through Netball Connect under Tibros Netball Club are covered under the Netball QLD insurance policy.
- Information about the insurance can be requested from Tibros Netball Club.
- The injury claim form can be requested from the competition Convenor.
- Players are required to complete all relevant sections of the paperwork.
- The declaration by association/club will require the Competition Convenor's signature.
- Once all areas of the paperwork are completed player must return it to Tibros netball club.

## **CONDUCT OF PLAYERS AND TEAMS**

- This competition is social and is conducted in a positive environment.
- All players and spectators must conduct themselves in a respectful, safe and appropriate manner.
- Tibros Netball Club does not tolerate rough play, abusive or derogatory language, back chat, any negative behaviour, or challenge to the umpire's authority (or similar).
- Team captains must take responsibility for their teams and ensure all matches are contested in the spirit of the game.
- Players participating as individuals on an assigned team will treat their new team members fairly and with respect while partaking in any Night Competition.
- No player or spectator can be under the influence of alcohol or drugs whilst at the sporting venues. Such behaviour will result in immediate removal of offenders from the premises.
- The umpire is entitled to send off any player at any stage for any reason for any period if they feel it necessary to do so for player safety or their ability to effectively control the game. The decision regarding whether this player can be replaced during this time is at the discretion of the umpire. Depending on the seriousness of the disciplinary breach, players may be penalised, sent off for a period (without being replaced), or sent off for the remainder of the match.
- A player sent off for the match can take no further part in that game and will receive an automatic two-week suspension.
- No substitute player is allowed to replace a player who is sent off in the game in which the dismissal occurred.
- At the discretion of the Competition Convenor and Tibros Netball Club Executive, serious infringements by any player, team official or spectator may be further investigated.

## **Complaints, Protests and Suspensions**

- Netball Queensland and Tibros Netball Club requires all Players, Umpires and Parents/Spectators to comply with the General Code of Behaviour Policy (as outlined in the 2020 Netball Queensland Code of Conduct) and to be read upon player registration.
- Team Captains are responsible for the behaviour of all team players and spectators on and off the court.
- Inappropriate behaviour, disrespect and foul language will not be tolerated.
- This behaviour and any other behaviour deemed to not be in the good spirit of the game will result in players being sent from the court at the discretion of the Umpire. Spectators will also be removed.
- Players who are sent off from the game will receive an automatic two-week suspension. Further disciplinary action may be applied at the discretion of the Competitions Convenor.

• Players who are repeatedly reported for foul language or aggressive behaviour will be removed from the competition at the Competitions Convenor's discretion.

## Submitting a protest/complaint

- A player or umpire may submit a complaint/protest to the Competitions Convenor.
- Any protest or complaint made relating to that specific game must be submitted within 48hrs after the completion of that game.
- The complaint will be reviewed initially and if the club deems there is a need to investigate further, they will. The club will decide on any actions that need to be taken
- A protest or complaint must include a team name, opposition team name, time, nature and details of protest or complaint, and the names of people involved.

## PRIVACY STATEMENT

• Tibros Netball Club collects, stores, and uses personal information only for the purposes of administering Tibros Netball Club programs and services. The information collected will not be disclosed to third parties without your consent, except to meet government, legal or other regulatory authority requirements.