

Midweek Competition Policy 24<sup>th</sup> February 2020

ORANGE NETBALL ASSOCIATION INC

MIDWEEK NETBALL COMPETITION POLICY

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## 1. Season

The competitions shall be conducted based on the four school terms per year and each term is classified as a new competition.

## 2. Registrations

It is a requirement that every player participating in any Midweek Competition must be financially registered with **Netball NSW** before they commence playing.

.1 Method of registration. All registrations are to be completed using the Online Registration method.

.2 Term of Registration. From the time a player registers in any one calendar year that registration shall be current until 31 December in the year of registration.

.3 Player Guidelines. Should any player anticipate/is playing in the Orange Netball Association Winter Competition then the player is required to register online through the club they will participate with in the Winter Competition.

.4 PCYC Registration Form. All players must complete a PCYC Registration Form when participating in the Midweek Competition. There is no fee payable with this form and must be handed to the netball office on completion.

## 3. Team Nominations

.1 Team Nomination Form. Teams are required to complete a Team Nomination Form and submit to the organisers by the nominated closing date prior to the new competition. The form is available on the Orange Netball Association website or the office. No late team nominations will be accepted after the advertised closing date except where a vacancy in a division exists.

**.2 Teams are required to have at least 6 players listed on the nomination form that are registered with Netball NSW for that calendar year for the nomination to be accepted. Team must include no more than 5 players who play Division 1 in the ONA winter competition.**

.3 Team Fees. Teams nominating to play in any Midweek Competition must pay the prescribed competition fee at the time of nomination for a competition to be accepted.

A team may not be accepted for a new competition if that team is unfinancial from the previous competition or has outstanding disciplinary issues.

This fee is to be paid directly to the association by way of bank transfer that clearly identifies the payment is for Midweek with a team name.

#### 4. Team Grading

Teams are to clearly indicate on the team nomination form the preferred division of entry for the team. **It will be at committee discretion what division your team is placed in.**

#### 5. Competition

All games are played as per Netball Australia governing rules.

.1 Structure. The Midweek Competition shall cater for teams in Ladies and Mixed competitions. Consideration may be given by the Orange Netball Association for the conduct of a junior division in this competition. Following the completion of the last round in a competition teams eligible to play in finals will be determined using normal Orange Netball Association guidelines for the final round whilst the remaining teams will play in a social draw.

.2 Players. Minimum age for participation is 12 years of age unless a junior division of this competition is played. In mixed divisions a team is only permitted to have three male players on the court at any one time with only one per team in each circle. **Teams cannot nominate more than 5 players who play in Division 1 for ONA Winter Competition.**

.3 Uniforms. Players are required to participate in clean neat clothing for games with matching top **colour** preferred and appropriate footwear. No crop-top type clothing is to be worn.

.4 Game Times. Games shall be played at 6pm, 6.45pm, 7.30pm and 8.15pm dependent on the number of nominations received for the various competitions. Game times shall consist of 2 x 20 minute halves with a break of 1 minute at half time.

.5 **Players/Player Substitutions. All players must sign the scoresheet as a record of their participation in any competition match. Signatures must be the same for each round. Borrowed players must sign the scoresheet and list the team/grade from which they came. No player shall play in a lower grade than what they are registered in. Players may only fill in for a team if they are across the same grade or higher than they are registered in. To be eligible to play in any Grand final game, players must have played at least 2 games with the team prior to grand finals.**

During a game teams may substitute on a rolling basis at their teams centre pass or during back play where it does not interfere. A player is only permitted to play in one team in any one time slot.

.6 Points. Points are awarded for games based on the current Orange Netball Association Competition Policy.

.7 Umpires. Umpires are allocated by the governing competition committee for all games. Should a person wish to be included for umpiring purposes then the person is to approach

the committee. All umpires will be paid by Orange Netball Association after **rounds 5 and 10 (GF)** upon submission of bank details for electronic transfer of payments to the committee.

.8 Game Cancellation. Should the need arise to cancel a game/s then information will be posted on the ONA website and Facebook page and teams will be notified.

.9 Forfeits. Teams are to notify the Midweek competition Secretary before 12 noon on the day of competition, if your team intends/needs to forfeit a game so as the opposition team **and umpires** can be given sufficient timely advice. Do not leave it till the afternoon of the game to advise. Teams failing to give sufficient advice will be penalised with **a fine and** loss of team points as set out in the Appendix.

**When a team receives a notified forfeit, all players fully registered at the time of the forfeit are deemed to have played in that game.**

**A team which forfeits two (2) comp matches during any one season will be disqualified from the competition, but may appeal the decision. Appeals are to be received by the comp secretary in writing within 7 days of the 2<sup>nd</sup> forfeit.**

**The competition secretary will notify when they have one forfeit left.**

**Teams forfeiting will receive no competition points. Opposition teams will receive 3 points.**

.10 Injuries and Blood Rule. All injuries that occur during a game are to be recorded on the game scoresheet with as much detail as possible of the nature of the injury. If the blood rule is enforced during a game then the player concerned is to leave the court within thirty seconds of being informed by the umpire.

.11 Codes of Conduct. All players must adhere to the NSW Codes of Behaviour.

.12 Novelty concepts. Novelty concepts such as "Powerplay" or the like will be introduced at the discretion of the Midweek competition Secretary on approval from ONA committee.

## APPENDIX

### 6 Fees and Penalties

.1 Fees. Fees will be set each year by the Association as per the Competition Policy.

.2 Penalties.

Playing an unregistered player	Loss of game points
Notified Forfeit	No game points awarded
Un-notified Forfeit/ <b>Late Notification of Forfeit</b>	No game points awarded and loss of 2 game points and \$30 fine

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