



CANNON HILL DISTRICT NETBALL ASSOCIATION BY-LAWS

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- formally incorporated or adopted into a club's constituent documents (being the Memorandum and Articles of Association; Constitution of a company; or the rules of an incorporated association) or the rules, regulations or by-Laws made under the constituent documents;
- be agreed to as part of a membership application, agreement, form, other contract with CHDNA, which relevant members and other persons intended to come within the scope of this policy are required to sign.

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1. Our Mission

The Cannon Hill District Netball Association (CHDNA) mission is to ensure that members have the opportunity to participate in the sport of netball in a way that brings them good health, recognition, achievement, involvement, satisfaction, or other such outcomes that they seek.

2. Competition & Conditions

- a. The CHDNA Netball Competitions will play under the conditions and rules as per the Rules of Netball (International Netball Federation), and according to the CHDNA By-Laws.
- b. All netball games will be played on outside courts, including finals, unless otherwise directed by the CHDNA Netball Committee.
- c. Game times will consist of:
 - i. 4x10 minute quarters
 - ii. 1 min break $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{3}{4}$ time
 - iii. In the instance of a variation, the game times will be published prior to the season starting
- d. If any game/s are not started 5 minutes after the appointed starting time, a forfeit will be called by the umpire/s against the team late on court.
- e. Points for games will be allotted as follows:
 - i. Two (2) points for a win.
 - ii. One (1) points for a draw
 - iii. Nil (0) points for a loss.
 - iv. One (1) points for a bye.
- f. If play is abandoned due to extreme weather conditions, prior to commencement of game, the game will be rescheduled for the allocated wet weather weeks. If reschedule is not available, points will be allocated as if a draw. (i.e. one (1) points per team).
- g. If play is abandoned due to any unforeseen circumstances the following will apply:
 - i. If play is abandoned before $\frac{1}{2}$ time points will be allocated as if a draw.
 - ii. If play is abandoned after $\frac{1}{2}$ time points will be awarded as per the score card at stoppage time.

3. Meetings & Committee

- a. CHDNA competitions are administered by an elected committee (CHDNA Netball Committee)
- b. Only registered members of CHDNA are eligible to vote at Association Meetings to appoint the committee members
- c. The CHDNA Netball Committee has the right to enforce or nullify any penalty.
- d. Nomination of Candidates to Executive Positions: Nominations of candidates or election as Executive members of the Netball Executive of the Association is per the CHDNA constitution

4. Fees & Membership

- a. The CHDNA Netball Committee will set the Membership and Registration Fees for all players teams prior to the commencement of the season (including grading games).
- b. Membership to CHDNA is important as it enables clarity on who our members are (also a constitution requirement), recognises a player as a member of CHDNA for any applications through CHDNA insurance and allows eligibility to vote at CHDNA meetings.
- c. In order to become a member, a person must complete a membership form. This will be made available electronically.
 - i. Active CHDNA Netball Committee members may receive a discount on membership fees

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- d. All players must be a member of CHDNA before commencing play.
 - i. A team will be awarded a forced loss every time it plays a non CHDNA Member. The appointed game will be awarded to the opposing team.
- e. All players must pay a registration fee prior to playing their third game.
 - i. A team will be awarded a forced loss every time it plays a non CHDNA Member. The appointed game will be awarded to the opposing team.
- f. All players must sign on the score card before taking the court. Players may only sign against their own name. Players are not to sign on as other members, other than themselves
 - i. A team will be awarded a forced loss every time it plays a non CHDNA Member. The appointed game will be awarded to the opposing team.
- g. Game fees must be paid upfront and prior to the game commencing

5. General

- a. Each team will provide one person to undertake the duty of scoring. Scorers are to be 14 years or older.
 - i. CHDNA will take no responsibility for final scores if a scorer wasn't provided and there is a dispute
 - ii. Only scores recorded on the official score card will be used to determine the result of the game
- b. A siren operated by the clubhouse will keep time in a regular game. Scorers will be timekeepers during finals for injury time as directed by the umpire.
- c. CHDNA will provide a Score/Team Sheet for each game listing all registered players. Players not listed on the scoresheet must be added to scoresheet in pen and signed by the player – First and Surname must be printed
- d. CHDNA ask that all jewellery be removed
 - i. Players wishing to tape jewellery (studs only) do so at their own risk – in case of injury, CHDNA or CHDNA members take no responsibility
- e. Nails must not be taped – they are to be cut short or gloves worn
- f. All players must be 14 years or older to take the court
- g. All players, umpires and officials must abide by Netball Australia Code of Behaviour
- h. Comments in Media – Any club member, player or official found to have made inappropriate comments in the media in relation to Cannon Hill Districts Netball Association, may have action taken against them. The CHDNA Netball Committee shall decide upon the appropriateness of the alleged comments made and the offending party will be given the opportunity to explain their actions. If the comments are found to be inappropriate, a fine as determined by the CHDNA Netball Committee will be levied against the offending party's team.

6. Results

- a. All results are to be handed into the clubhouse within 5 minutes of the round being finished by the winning team
- b. Any disputes regarding the score must be submitted via email within 24 hours of the results being published.

7. Uniforms

- a. Uniforms shall consist of whatever the players deem comfortable and appropriate and it is desirable that team members are dressed in similar colours
- b. Umpires will be identified in wearing predominantly white, preferably in an official CHDNA umpires shirt

8. Team Qualifications

- a. A team must have five (5) of their team's registered players to take the court.
- b. Teams are able to field a maximum of two (2) fill in players from a division equal or up to 2 divisions below their current division
 - i. Fill In Players must sign the score card in the space marked for fill ins (first and last name)
 - ii. Fill In Players must be members of CHDNA prior to taking the court

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- iii. If a Fill In Player from an equal or lower division is unavailable, teams may field One (1) player from a higher division with approval from two CHDNA Netball Committee representatives at the clubhouse that do not have a vested interest in the outcome of the game.
- iv. A fill in player may only play for the same team three (3) times per season before needing to nominate a permanent team.
- c. To be eligible to play in finals matches, a player must play a minimum of three (3) rounds during the season for their team, be officially registered to the team and have paid their membership fees
- d. Fill In Players cannot be used for finals

9. Finals

- a. The CHDNA Netball Committee will decide all dates and times for finals.
- b. During a Final - at the end of the game if scores are tied, there is a one minute break during which time there may be substitutions and/or team changes. At the end of that minute, there are a further 2 X 5 minute halves played. At the end of the first 5 minutes there will be a 30 second interval during which there will be a change of ends and substitutions and/or team changes allowed. If at the end of the second 5 minutes the scores are still level, then play continues until one team has a two goal advantage.

10. Awards

- a. Each division will compete for a Winner and Runner Up Prize.
- b. A maximum of nine (9) suitable prizes will be made (if required) for each Winning and Runner's-up Teams in each Division.
- c. A Best & Fairest Award will be awarded on the umpire's votes for the Best & Fairest Player in each Division.

11. Penalties

- a. Teams forfeiting will still be liable for game fees plus a forfeit fee that is determined at the beginning of the season.
- b. Ineligible players are:
 - i. Non CHDNA Members
 - ii. Players signing as other members, other than themselves
 - iii. Players not signing on before taking the court
 - iv. Other people deemed ineligible by the CHDNA Netball Committee
- c. A team will be penalised with a forced loss every time it plays an ineligible player. The appointed game will be awarded to the opposing team.
- d. The CHDNA Netball Committee has the power to levy penalties to teams in the event of circumstances not covered by the above, when required. The amount of the penalty imposed will be determined by the CHDNA Netball Committee.
- e. In the case of reoccurring incidents of items 11.a and 11.b, the CHDNA Netball Committee may impose further penalties (including financial) against teams.

12. Grievances

- a. All grievances by the Team and/or person/s concerned must be lodged by electronic form submission through www.cannonhillnetball.com no later than forty eight (48) hours after the game concerned.
- b. All grievances shall be acknowledged by the CHDNA Netball Committee within fourteen days of the grievance being lodged.
- c. No right of Appeal shall be requested in any dispute or matter rising from these rules.

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13. Grading of Teams

- a. Grading will be done by several members of the CHDNA Netball Committee
- b. The number of grading weeks will be determined by the committee before the start of the season. No ladder points will be accumulated by teams during grading.
- c. Any concerns by team's regarding grading of players/teams must be referred in writing to CHDNA and will be dealt with by the CHDNA Netball Committee.

14. Insurance

- a. All insurance claims must be signed by an Executive CHDNA Netball Committee Member.
 - i. Only fully completed claims will be signed
 - ii. Claimants must have signed on for the game where the injury occurred
 - iii. In cases where an injury report by the sports trainer has not been recorded, claimants must notify CHDNA in writing of their intention to make a claim within 48 hours of the injury occurring

15. Transferring of Players From One Team To Another During The Season

- a. Any player registered with CHDNA can transfer to another team up until the half way point of the regular season, excluding finals.
 - i. It is up to the transferring player to negotiate the transfer/refund of game fees with team captains
- b. Player registration fees are non-transferable and non-refundable

16. By-Laws

- a. The CHDNA Netball Committee only have the authority to add, delete or alter any By-Laws by recommendation/s to and through a vote process at a CHDNA Committee Meeting.
- b. Any recommendation/s by teams to change the CHDNA By-Laws during a season must be received in writing by the CHDNA Secretary. Recommendation/s to be dealt with by the Executive CHDNA Netball Committee and if required the CHDNA Netball Committee will make recommendation/s to the committee to add, delete or alter By-Law.

17. Life Membership

- a. CHDNA shall have the power to elect Life Members as per the following criteria:
 - i. CHDNA Netball Committee members or any person volunteering in a role delegated by the CHDNA Netball Committee who gives 10 years or more service shall qualify as a life member.
 - ii. All nominations for life membership must be lodged with the Association fourteen (14) days prior to the Annual General Meeting and all nominations are to be accompanied by a history of the nominee.
- b. Life members shall have the privileges of general committee members and be able to vote at committee meetings.
- c. Successful nomination/s shall be presented with their life membership at a CHDNA Final or AGM.

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