



KERIKERI NETBALL CENTRE

REGULATIONS

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APPLICATION AND INTERPRETATION OF THESE REGULATIONS

Any matter not covered by these Regulations shall be decided in accordance with the provisions of the INF Rules of Netball and Netball New Zealand's (NNZ) Rules.

Interpretation of Regulations not provided for and any questions as to their interpretation, shall be decided by Kerikeri Netball Centre (KKNC) Executive Committee in accordance with KKNC's constitution.

KKNC reserves the right to alter these regulations during the course of the season to meet the operational needs of the game and these will be communicated to members via email, social media and/or the website.

Any member has a right to appeal a determination made under these regulations to the KKNC Executive Committee. Any appeal made to the KKNC Executive Committee must be made in writing within 7 days of the

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determination being given to that member. Any determination of the KKNC Executive Committee may be appealed as per the KKNC constitution.

PART 1

CODE OF CONDUCT

KKNC's code of conduct governs any member, player, team, umpire, coach, manager, volunteer and any other person who, participates, spectates and / or is involved in any way in any activity held at KKNC's facilities or is involved in any activity under the auspices of KKNC.

Kerikeri Netball Centre Code of Conduct

- Respect others at all times.
- Be fair and honest at all times.
- Be responsible for your own actions.
- Do not abuse others verbally or physically.
- Do not discriminate against others.
- Be safety conscious for yourself and others at all times.
- Be a positive role model.

Behaviour on the Court

Unacceptable behavior will not be tolerated in any form from any member or spectator.

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Unacceptable Behaviour

- Violence in any form.
- Assault by any member or spectator on another person.
- Verbal abuse by any member or spectator towards any other member or spectator.

Netball New Zealand General Code of Conduct and Ethic

All members of KKNC be they affiliated to Netball New Zealand (NNZ) or unaffiliated Social teams are bound by the rules, regulations and code of conduct of NNZ, which are:

- Be aware of, and maintain an uncompromising adherence to NNZ standards, rules, regulations and policies
- Operate within the rules of netball including national and international guidelines which govern NNZ, the Regional Entity and Netball Centres.
- Do not use your involvement with NNZ, a Netball 1Zone or Netball Centre to promote your own beliefs, behaviours or practices where these are inconsistent with those of NNZ, a Netball Zone or a Netball Centre.

PART 11

MEMBER REGULATIONS

1. MEMBERSHIP

- a. Clubs, schools, teams and individuals shall apply and are accepted for membership by completing the required documentation and payment of fees.
- b. Entry fees and registration fees are determined by the KKNC Executive Committee year by year.
- c. Fees shall be payable on the date determined by KKNC.
- d. KKNC reserve the right to refuse membership under KKNC's constitution.

1.1 Individual Membership

Individuals may apply for membership by completing a membership form or the individual's election or appointment as an officer, appointed personnel, a club official or school official.

1.2 Consultation with Members

Open forum meetings for clubs and/or schools shall be held as required. Written/electronic notice of meetings shall be sent to all affiliated clubs/schools. These meetings are held in order to keep members informed of KKNC's activities and give them an opportunity to make recommendations and bring any matters to the attention of KKNC.

KKNC will consult/communicate regularly with members via e-mail, written communications, telephone and meetings. Feedback is sought through all mediums.

2. COMPLAINTS PROCEDURES

2.1 Complaints Process

Any person may lodge a complaint with KKNC concerning:

- a. A member (including a player, umpire, coach, team official, KKNC staff, or executive member;
- b. A supporter or other person attending a game or event.

2.2 Any complaint that affects the outcome of a game must be brought to the attention of a competition official during that game or immediately following the game.

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Where a complaint lodged with a competition official during the game or immediately following the game is not resolved to the satisfaction of any party, that party may lodge the complaint with KKNC by:

- a. making the complaint where possible, in writing and within 48 hours of the event being complained about.

In exceptional circumstances the KKNC Executive Committee or the Chair of the Judicial Committee may, in their absolute discretion, consider complaints received outside the 48 hour period following the event being complained about.

2.3 The subject of the complaint may be one or more of the following:

- a. misconduct including verbal or physical abuse, assault, threatening behavior or harassment by a member or a supporter;
- b. unacceptable standard of umpiring or timekeeping;
- c. illegal, unregistered members playing a game;
- d. breach of KKNC's constitution, regulations or policies;
- e. any other conduct or incident which the Judicial Committee considers may be subject to these regulations.

2.4 Categorisation and Referral

On receipt of a written complaint, the Executive Committee of KKNC shall make an initial assessment and investigation which may involve contacting relevant parties and requesting submissions or any other appropriate actions. KKNC will categorise the complaint as one of the following:

- a. minor;
- b. further action required; or
- c. serious.

The Executive Committee may request the assistance of the Judicial Committee to categorise complaints.

After investigation, the Executive Committee shall refer serious complaints or complaints requiring further action to the Judicial Committee. All minor complaints shall be referred to the Chair of the Judicial Committee. The Chair shall deal with all minor complaints.

2.5 Judicial Committee

The Judicial Committee will consist of a minimum of three persons appointed by the KKNC Executive Committee.

On receipt of a written complaint the Judicial Committee shall investigate that complaint and make a determination.

If a request for assistance in categorising complaints is received from the Executive Committee then, for the purposes of the investigation in regulation 2.4, the Judicial Committee may:

- a. direct the Executive Committee or other person to undertake work or further work on its behalf;
- b. contact the complainant;
- c. contact the member or supporter being complained about;

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- d. request submissions from any party or any other relevant party;
- e. decide to call a hearing; or
- f. take any other action which will assist the Judicial Committee to understand the complaint.

2.6 For the purposes of determination in regulation 2.5, the Judicial Committee shall adopt one or more of the following courses of action

- a. determine that no further action will be taken
- b. issue a warning to the member or supporter and/or advise the club or school or the member of the consequences of any future conduct brought to the attention of the Judicial Committee;
- c. require the member to make reparation in the form of apology, undertake training or any other appropriate action;
- d. censure the member or supporter and/or advise the school or club of the member or supporter of the censure;
- e. suspend the member for a period not exceeding two years;
- f. determine any other penalty or action that the Judicial Committee determines is appropriate in the circumstances.

2.7 Subject to these regulations, the Judicial Committee may determine its procedures as it thinks fit.

2.8 The Judicial Committee may suspend a member prior to a determination under regulation 2.6 where it considers that suspension is necessary in the interests of KKNC and/or its members.

2.9 Where a complaint, other than a minor complaint, is referred to the Judicial Committee, the Judicial Committee will provide information about the complaint to the member or supporter being complained about. The member or supporter being complained about will have the opportunity to have their response considered by the Judicial Committee.

Any written complaint or any response to a complaint may be submitted to KKNC on behalf of a member or supporter, by the school or club they are associated with. The school or club submitting a complaint or response to a complaint on behalf of a member or supporter must provide the name or names of the member or supporter they are representing.

3. APPEALS

A determination of the Judicial Committee may be appealed to the KKNC Executive Committee within 14 days notice of the Judicial Committees determination. Any determination of the KKNC Executive Committee may be appealed as per the KKNC constitution.

4 FUNDRAISING AND SPONSORSHIP

No member wishing to undertake fundraising activities within the environs of KKNC netball courts and property may do so unless:

- a. the member has made a written/electronic application to the KKNC committee; and
- b. has received written/electronic approval from KKNC Executive Committee for the activities.

4.1 Sponsorship Agreements

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Any club, team or school who are members of KKNC must submit any sponsor who shall be associated with that club, team or school at KKNC facilities for approval by KKNC.

4.2 Club, Team and School Sponsor's Identity

Identification of a team sponsor shall be permitted on player's apparel subject to the following conditions:

- a. The sponsor's name and or logo shall not exceed 48cm² in area. It shall not be used more than once on any garment.
- b. Identification of the manufacturer's trademark shall be permitted once on any garment and shall not exceed an area 16cm².

At all times, the name and or logo of not more than one sponsor may appear on any garment, although both the name and or logo of a sponsor and manufacturer's identity may be on one garment.

5 AWARDS

KKNC will call for nominations for Life Members and Service Awards annually and nominations shall be made in writing, by members of KKNC, to reach the Executive Committee, not later than 31 August in any year, and shall include full details of outstanding and special service rendered to netball. A Life Member badge or a Service Award badge shall be presented to the successful nominees at the next Annual General Meeting.

5.1 KKNC Life Membership and Service Awards

Life Membership

The distinction of Life Membership may be conferred for outstanding services rendered in connection with netball. The holding of a Service Award shall be a prerequisite.

- A minimum of fifteen (15) years service shall be required for Life Membership.
- Life Membership shall confer full membership and the right to attend and speak at any KKNC meeting but not a right to vote at any meeting unless otherwise qualified.
- Life Members will have their names listed on the Honours Executive Committee.
- Life Member recipients will be named in the Annual Report.

Service Award

The distinction of Service Award shall be conferred for special services rendered in connection with netball.

- A minimum of five (5) years service shall be required for a Service Award.
- Quality of service shall be a consideration for a Service Award.
- Service Award recipients will be named in the Annual Report.

6 SMOKEFREE

All KKNC, and the Kerikeri Sports Complex buildings and property is Smokefree. This includes all car parks and surrounds. No person may smoke while in any of these areas nor may any person advertise or sell tobacco product while in these areas. No member shall be permitted to be sponsored by a tobacco product, manufacturer, seller or promoter of tobacco products. All members shall adhere to the Smokefree Policy of KKNC.

7 SAFETY

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Dogs, other than guide dogs, are not permitted in KKNC or the Kerikeri Sports Complex buildings or property. Persons with Pushchairs, Prams, bicycles, skates, skateboards, rollerblades, scooters or other similarly wheeled contraptions are not permitted in KKNC's court enclosure during competition games or team training days. Goal shooting is not permitted by a non-playing team member while a game is in progress.

8 **PRIVACY**

KKNC acknowledges the provisions of the Privacy Act 2020 and its amendments ("the Act"). When collecting personal information KKNC will comply with the Act and these regulations.

9 **FIRST AID KITS**

Each club is responsible for the supply of a First Aid Kit for each team. It is also recommended that Coaches/Managers do a First Aid course.

10 **PREGNANCY**

A player who is more than 5 months pregnant will not be permitted to play.

11 **MALES IN NETBALL**

Males are permitted to play in KKNC female competitions up to 18 years of age. Male players must be no older than 18 years as at 11:59pm, 31st December in that playing year.

Age appropriate males can play without restriction in future Ferns Years 1-8 grades.

KKNC has the discretion to grant a dispensation for a transgender player (person who is undergoing medical treatment to transition from male to female gender) to be treated as a female under which these regulations apply. Dispensation will be given on a year by year basis. The player for whom dispensation has been given, will not be eligible to represent KKNC. When full transition is complete and the person is legally regarded as a female, dispensation will no longer be required.

Criteria for dispensation: Each application would need to provide: a) A written statement from the individual b) A written professional opinion concerning the individual's gender identity from their doctor/physician/professional c) A written statement from the applying club that they accept and are supportive of the inclusion of the player. If for Spring/Summer leagues, a written statement from team will be accepted. Each application is determined on a case by case basis and further information may be sought before a decision is made.

PART 111

COMPETITION REGULATIONS**1 PLAYER REGISTRATION AND ELIGIBILITY**

- a. Teams shall have a minimum of seven (7) registered players and a maximum of twelve (12) players on their team registration form of which two (2) shall have a current Umpire Centre Theory.
- b. Teams may add players up to the maximum of twelve (12) after the registration form has been submitted to the Centre. All players are to be registered in writing to the KKNC prior to taking the court.
- c. Teams in the Senior Competition ie: Year 9 and above are restricted to registering two (2) males per team, with only one (1) male on the court at a time.
- d. If a player wishes to transfer between clubs or teams within KKNC during a competition season, the player may do so only in accordance with regulation Part 111 rule 5.1.
- e. In the event of a disagreement or where a player is refused permission to transfer between clubs or teams within KKNC, an appeal of the determination may be made to the KKNC Executive Committee. The KKNC Executive Committee will make the determination on eligibility of a player to transfer based on reasonableness and fairness.
- f. All collegiate teams must only have players from Year 9 upwards who attend a bonafide secondary school, who are Home Schooled or are under the age of 18 years as of 31st December of the current season.
- g. Adult teams may include collegiate players, but they must pay full adult team registration fees.
- h. A collegiate player may not play for a school team and a club team.

2 PLAYER DEREGISTRATION

Players may only be deregistered during the competition, by submitting in writing to the KKNC for the following reasons:

- a. Pregnancy, on production of a medical certificate
- b. An injury ruling the player out for the remainder of the competition, on production of a medical certificate or
- c. Leaving the District

3 GRADING – TEAMS AND PLAYERS

- a. The Executive Committee is responsible for grading teams and reserves the right to grade any player or team or rename any team.
- b. A player cannot take part in any championship semi-finals or finals round without previously having played in three (3) competition games for that team in any competition under the control of KKNC. Taking the court during any ONE quarter counts as a full game.

4 PLAYING UP/DOWN-GRADING

- a. A player who takes the court for a higher ranked team on three occasions is deemed to be a member of that team. Any players playing up and named on the score card shall have that game counted as a game played.
- b. A team short of a player may only play a player from a lower grade team within THAT CLUB.

No player from a higher graded team can play for a team in a lower grade.
- c. Players in Years 1-6 shall play future FERNs and cannot be registered in Junior Teams ie: Years 7 and 8. No players in Years 1-6 may play in any Junior team, including playing up.
- d. The Executive Committee has the right to approve the downgrading of players on receipt of written applications from a club, school or team. Such written application shall be received 7 days prior to the competition date involved in the down-grading.
- e. Players who are downgraded in any one season shall not play for a higher ranked team for the remainder of that season.
- f. A Junior player may not play for any collegiate/senior team or visa versa. A Junior player is defined as being a child who attends school (or is home schooled) in Year 8 or below.
- g. The KKNC will consider any application relevant to this regulation provided it is in writing and is received before the final day of registrations due.
- h. Schools with small roll numbers, consisting of players of a mixed Junior age group (Year 8 and below) must apply for dispensation to the Centre each year and they will be graded accordingly.
- i. In all cases of player movement Part III, Rule 2b (above) applies.

5 PLAYER TRANSFERS

- 5.1** A club/school player shall not in any one season:
- a. Play for more than one club within KKNC without completing transfer requirements.
 - b. A club player may, however, play at more than one Centre within any one Zone.

A player may transfer between clubs within KKNC during the season only if:

- a. the player applies to KKNC Executive Committee for approval to transfer;
- b. Written clearance is supplied by the player, from the existing club, and the new player is registered to the new team prior to taking the court.
- c. KKNC Executive Committee approves, in writing/electronically, the player's application for transfer.
- d. Player transfers must comply with the playing up/down-grading regulation, Sect 3.

KKNC takes no responsibility for any outstanding fees or fines for the transferring player.

6 CLUB RESPONSIBILITIES

6.1 Fees

Teams must pay all fees and observe all closing dates for correspondence, fees and other details, as KKNC requires. All Clubs will pay annual registration fees and levies as set down by KKNC.

6.2 Team Cards

All teams must complete the team card for their game at the control office before the start of the game. Team cards must be completed and handled in the following manner:

- a. List all players playing for the team by printing names in the following format; J Smith (not Jane S). If two players have the same initial and surname, write both names in full. Nicknames are not permitted.
- b. Hand the card to the umpire/scorer/timekeeper prior to the game

7 DURATION AND TIMING OF GAMES

- a. Premier and Senior Grade games will consist of 60 minute games which will be played in 4 x 15 minute quarters.
- b. Junior games will consist of 32 minute games which will be played in 4 x 8 minute quarters
- c. Timing of games shall commence with the official bell or official timekeeper.

8 INJURIES

Injury break rulings will be made in accordance with the International Rule Book.

9 POINTS

1. Where points are equal at the end of pool play, a goal differential (total goals "for" less total goals "against" in that round) will be done to determine the seeding.
2. In the event of a default, the score shall be recorded as 30-0 to the non-defaulting team.
3. In the event of a team playing an unregistered player, that team shall forfeit the game and the points for that game shall be recorded as a default to the non-offending team in accordance with Clause 9.2.

All Grades points system

Win	Four (4) points
Draw	Two (2) points
Loss by 3 goals or less	One (1) point

Finals Format

There are no points awarded to teams but there must be a result in every match played during the semi-finals/finals format. No draws will be permitted.

10 UMPIRING

All teams in the Senior Competition (including Collegiate teams) are required to Umpire. Games for umpiring will be allocated to teams and appear along side scheduled games in the weekly draw.

- a. Teams are to supply two suitably qualified for the grade the team plays in umpires, who umpires the whole duration of the game.
- b. Umpires shall wear clothing at that is distinctive from the teams' playing uniforms and suitable sports footwear.

- c. If a team does not provide an umpire when listed on the Draw:
- a) they lose two (2) competition points and
 - b) they are fined \$50.00 to be paid to KKNC by the next playing Saturday or they will be deemed unfinancial and removed from the draw until it is paid.

Teams who have defaulted shall still be required to fulfil their allocated umpiring duties or Clause 10 c. shall apply.

Junior games will be self-umpired by both teams playing i.e. one umpire from each team and Umpires are to be suitably qualified for the purposes of umpiring Junior games.

Complaints regarding umpiring decisions shall not be accepted unless a KKNC Executive Committee member has been called to the courts during the game.

Each team must supply one scorer, who will keep score together on the official scorecard provided. Failure of a team to supply a scorer means they must accept the score as presented by the opposing team on the official scorecard. Complaints regarding the official score will not be accepted. It is the team's responsibility to ensure that the correct score is recorded during the game on the official score card.

11 DEFERRED GAMES

Deferred games may be requested when 3 or more players are affected by any of the following:

- A bereavement
- Netball Representative or Zone commitments

All requests must be made in writing to the KKNC Executive Committee at least 72 hours prior to the scheduled game or as soon as is practicable. The Executive Committee shall advise each team representative, as listed on the Team Registration Form, whether the deferral has been approved or not, at least 24 hours before the start of the scheduled game.

The deferred game shall be played on a day and time agreed by the Executive Committee and both teams. Umpires will be allocated for deferred games by the Executive Committee.

Consideration shall also be given to deferral requests to enable players to attend Executive Committee sanctioned tournaments overseas or outside the zone. Any such approval shall be granted at the discretion of KKNC Executive Committee.

12 DEFAULTS

Five (5) players constitute the minimum number for a playing team. Up to 30 seconds is allowed for a team to take the court before losing by default in accordance with INF Rule 8.1.1.

Teams who wish to default games, must advise the KKNC office as soon as they are aware they will be defaulting. If defaults are notified prior to the competition day, KKNC shall contact opposition teams. If defaults are notified on the competition day KKNC shall attempt to advise the non-defaulting team of the default.

Teams who have been advised of a default do not have to turn up in order to gain the win by default points.

KKNC Executive Committee may, in its discretion, withdraw from the competition any team which defaults three weeks in succession.

13 CANCELLATIONS

Following a decision by KKNC Officials' responsible for that competition, cancellations will be advertised as follows:

- a. KKNC website – www.kerikerinetballcentre.co.nz
- b. KKNC FaceBook page

14 TROPHIES

- a. All trophies remain the property of KKNC.
- b. Trophy winners may not remove trophies from the place of presentation without signing a release form.
- c. Trophies shall be returned to KKNC not later than the first day of Round 2 each year.
- d. If trophies are not received by due date the club/team responsible shall be liable for any costs incurred should a new trophy be purchased – e.g. replacement cost, engraving.
- e. If trophies are returned in a damaged condition the cost of repairs shall be a charge against the trophy holder.
- f. KKNC shall be responsible for all engraving on trophies.

15 TRAVEL

KKNC affiliated teams intending to take part in any matches overseas may do so only if:

- a. They complete the required forms for travel.
- b. Apply through KKNC to Netball New Zealand for approval to travel overseas.
- c. A minimum of 4 weeks notice is required for overseas travel.
- d. Receive approval from Netball New Zealand for the travel.

16 UNIFORMS

- a. Teams may only play in registered club/team uniforms approved by KKNC.
- b. Each club/school shall each year upon affiliation, register the colours and style of uniform (skirt and top, shorts, for men and top or dress) to be worn by its team/s.
- c. Applications for new/altered uniforms must be submitted to KKNC for approval prior to registration of same.
- d. Exceptions to team uniform requirements (due to religious or cultural reasons) must be applied for in writing/electronically and approved by the Executive Committee.
- e. Temporary uniform dispensation must be applied for in writing/electronically and approved by the Executive Committee. Any extensions to the originally approved date must be requested prior to the dispensation expiring.
- f. All team players shall take the court wearing the registered club/team uniform.
- g. Track pants or bike pants are not permitted as part of any playing uniform.
- h. Any player not in correct uniform (without written/electronic dispensation) will not be permitted to take the court.
- i. Only suitable sports shoes may be worn.
- j. The initials on the bibs shall be of 150mm size and shall be worn above the waist, front and back.
- k. No headwear or body piercing to be worn.
- l. No item of jewellery except a wedding ring and/or a medical bracelet shall be worn. If either or both are worn, each shall be fully taped to the body.
- m. Hair braiding or adornments must be securely contained so as not to cause injury or interfere with play.

17 REPRESENTATIVE PLAYER ELIGIBILITY

KKNC members are governed by the Netball Northern Zone representative regulations. Refer to the Netball Northern Zone website www.netballnorth.co.nz.

- a. A player shall be registered with only one zone in any one calendar year (1 January to 31 December inclusive).
- b. Players eligible for representative teams must first be available for Netball Northern Zone team before any other zone.
- c. For a player to be eligible to represent KKNC a player must be registered with KKNC at the time of playing. If registered in more than one Centre within the same zone, a player must, at the time of registration, nominate their primary Centre.

APPENDIX ONE

Guidelines to Complaints Procedure

Has a complaint been laid about you?

Any person is entitled to lay a complaint. This does not mean that the person being complained about is guilty. The process requires us to be fair and consider carefully each complaint. When we receive a complaint, we will categorise it into one of three groups: minor, further action required or serious.

Minor Complaints

(Include, but are not limited to, minor infringements, minor misconduct, and insufficient information, partly or fully dealt with at the time, vexatious complaint)

After investigation (which may involve contacting relevant parties) the Executive Committee may write to the complainant and state the reason that the complaint has been categorized as minor. Any Minor complaints, other than those which are found to be vexatious or for which insufficient information is received, will be filed for future reference in the event that a similar complaint is received. The person being complained about is not usually contacted if the complaint is found to be vexatious or where insufficient information is provided.

Further Action Complaints

(Include but are not limited to, more serious misconduct or umpiring infringements, scoring or timekeeping breaches, unfinancial players, breach of rules, etc)

After investigation (which will usually involve contacting relevant parties), the Executive Committee will refer the complaint to the Judicial Committee. The complainant, the person being complained and other relevant parties may be asked to make a submission. The Committee may also seek further information from the club or school, the umpires or duty umpire or others. The Committee will meet and make a determination. The Committee may decide that no further action will be taken or may impose one or more penalties, which range from warnings

and apologies to suspension. Both the complainant and the person being complained about will be informed of the determination.

Serious Complaints

(Include, but not limited to, very serious misconduct or breach of rules)

The procedure is the same as a "further action" complaint except that KKNC will endeavour to deal with the complaint as quickly as possible.

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