

WAHROONGA NETBALL CLUB GRADING POLICY, WINTER SEASON V3.0

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1. Purpose

- 1.1 To outline the WNC Grading Policy delivering well-balanced teams throughout the club.
- 1.2 To provide clarity to players, parents, coaches and team managers on the selection criteria, considerations by selectors when preparing well balanced teams for competition.

2. Members of Grading Panel

- 2.1 The President will appoint the Grading Convenor.
- 2.2 The Grading Convenor is responsible for implementing the policy, quality assurance and communication.
- 2.3 The Grading Convenor will identify and appoint suitably qualified and experienced assessors.
- 2.4 No parent or guardian is permitted to be a selector on their own child's or family members age group.
- 2.6 Coaching reports (data point 1) will be taken into consideration during the selection process.
- 2.6 During the last month of the Winter Season all coaches will attend a grading meeting (data point 2) to contribute toward the next year's team selection, rating players 1 – 3 in positions and drafting teams.
- 2.7 Any 'conflict of interest' must be declared by the panel members as applicable and actively managed.
- 2.8 Assessors will identify players ability that should be considered for playing up or down considering competency, safety and inclusion.

3. Club Philosophy

- 3.1 Our mission is to provide a happy, safe and inclusive environment for our players, coaches, umpires and volunteers and we continually look for ways to make a positive impact for our netball community.
- 3.2 Team selection puts the safety and inclusion of all registered members first ensuring that players are selected in a team they have the appropriate competency to play in for the benefit of all players and families.
- 3.3 We believe if a player wants to reach for the stars and make the highest team possible they should be able to strive for that.
- 3.4 We believe if a player just wants to play with their friends, they may play down within their age group.

4. Selection Criteria

- 4.1 The club will champion that 'Team Balance is Better' Philosophy
 - 4.2.1 Behaviours – teamwork, respect and inclusivity
 - 4.2.2 Skill, physical, technical and tactical development
 - 4.2.3 Social, psychological, and cognitive development
 - 4.2.4 Team Balance
- 4.3 Key points of observation for selection is demonstrating an understanding of the game, knowledge of the rules, court positioning, movement, passing and footwork, movement skills, hand eye ball release, spatial awareness, control and decision making.
- 4.5 A preferred team of between 8 – 9 players with a maximum of 10 and minimum of 7 players per team.
- 4.6 The Grading Convenor will consult with KNA grading committee as required and all teams will be submitted based on their performance the year prior and within the KNA Competition rules as per the By-Laws.

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5 Communication

5.1 The Grading Convenor will submit the final team lists and provide a briefing to the President and Committee.

5.2 The President will approve communicating the team selections to parents, players and volunteers.

6 Dispute resolution

6.1 All disputes need to be put in writing and submitted to the Grading Convenor and cc/ to the President.

6.1.1 First port of call to resolve the issues is directly with the Grading Convenor

6.1.2 Second port of call is the WNC President

7 Procedures

7.1 All WNC players will be required to attend physical Grading.

7.1.1 In the event a player does not attend without a medical certificate the player will be graded at the discretion of the Grading Convenor based on observations in previous season, consultation with coaches and coaches' reports.

7.1.2 NetSetGo players will be experiencing more of a 'come and try' atmosphere where the NetSetGo Coordinator will identify team managers, coaches and organise teams

7.1.3 U9s through to and including Cadets will be physically graded and teams selected

7.1.4 Senior players will be physically graded or a submitted team will play to be graded

7.2 Players will submit on registration their preferred two positions. Selectors will endeavour to place each player in their preferred position noting competition or demand for the age group and position. Each player will be guaranteed two games on the selection day and a skill-based competency assessment.

7.3 All Net Set Go players will be placed in teams with a minimum of one to two friends and in ages 7, 8, or combined based on numbers.

7.4 Players will stay in their relevant age groups, only by exception will consideration be made for playing up.

7.5 Any late registrations will be selected as appropriate by the Grading Convenor and communicated to the President.

7.6 If, for whatever reason, we are unable to place a player who registers with the club on or before registration day, we will make every endeavour to find a suitable alternative club for the player.

7.7 Coaches will be appointed and communicated by the Coaching Coordinator.

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