

Broome Netball Association (Inc.)



By-Laws

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MISSION STATEMENT

Committed to fostering the growth and development of netball in the Shire of Broome.

BROOME NETBALL OPERATES IN A NON-SMOKING SPORTING VENUE

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**International Netball Federation, Rules of Netball 2018 Edition
Broome Netball Association Inc – Constitution & Bylaws**

As an affiliated member of Netball WA and Netball Australia, Broome Netball Association (BNA) operates and is ruled by the International Netball Federation, Rules of Netball 2018 Edition. The following rules are applicable to BNA and are subject to revision by the discretion of the BNA committee.

SECTION 1 - NOMINATIONS, REGISTRATIONS & FEES (TEAM & INDIVIDUAL)

1.1 - Team Nomination

Each team nominating to play in the BNA competition can have a maximum of 12 registered players.

Each club can only have a maximum of 2 teams per division (both senior and junior) in the BNA competition.

Senior teams are required to pay a team nomination fee when nominating a team in the competition. Your team nomination will not be accepted until this has been paid. Junior teams do not have to pay nomination fee. Teams not registered will not be permitted to take the court or will be penalised 1 premiership point (*See penalties*)

Team nominations shall not be refunded for any reason unless extenuating circumstances apply (to be determined by the BNA committee upon written request).

- Senior Team Nomination Fee: \$100

1.2 - Individual Registration

Individuals will be required to register online and make full payment on the MyNetball website. A link to this can be found on the BNA web page www.broomenetball.com.au. This must be done on or before the Round 1 or a casual fee must be paid. BNA Fees are:

	Non-Club Members	Club Members
Senior	\$170.00	\$140.00
Junior 11-17yrs	\$130.00	\$100.00
Net Set Go 10U	\$130.00	\$100.00
Net Set Go Skills	\$100.00	N/A
Coaches/ Umpires/ Volunteers	Free of charge but must register	Free of charge but must register

Club members need to pay their affiliation fees direct to their club not to BNA.

For NON-CLUB MEMBERS to register go to

- www.broomenetball.com.au
- Registration
- Choose Senior, Junior or Net Set Go
- Online Registration

For Existing participants (*anyone who has been registered to play netball in Australia*)

- If you know your log in details proceed as instructed **or**
- Click 'Forgot Login details – *you will need to enter your email address and an email will be sent with you details*

For new participants (*if you have never registered to play netball anywhere in Australia*)

- Choose the type of membership (*Junior / Senior etc*)
- Complete all details as required

Finalise registration and Payment

- Choose your membership type (*Junior / Senior etc*)
- Check your current details are correct
- Accept terms and conditions
- Complete payment

Should an individual wish to affiliate with BNA and is already a current financial member of Netball WA and/or North West Region, they are still required to pay a registration fee to BNA. BNA fees are decided by the committee prior to each season.

1.3 - Subsequent Registrations (*Half season*)

Clubs (where applicable) or teams may register new players throughout the season. All new players must complete the online registration process.

Prior to Round 9, a new member must pay full fees. A new registration after this round will only incur a portion of the scheduled individual registration fee, at minimum, full payment of the WA Netball fee, North West Netball Region fee and a nominal BNA fee. Fees as follows:

	Non-Club Members	Club Members
Senior	\$120.00	\$120.00
Junior 11-17yrs	\$95.00	\$95.00
Net Set Go 10U	\$95.00	\$95.00
Net Set Go Skills	N/A	N/A
Coaches/ Umpires/ Volunteers	Free of Charge but must register	Free of Charge but must register

1.4 - Casual Player Registrations

A player may play a game on a casual basis but must pay a Casual Registration fee prior to the commencement of the game(s). This fee entitles the player to any number of games on the same day. If the administration desk/cage is unattended, money should be placed in an envelope with the players name, date, team(s) playing for and the amount. Record the casual/fill-in players name on the scoresheet and the method of payment.

The cost of a casual fee in any given season will be determined by the BNA Committee.

Casual Player Registration Fee: \$15.00

Once a casual player has played 3 games on a casual basis, they are deemed a permanent player in the Association or shall not participate in ANY other games for the rest of the season. To continue participation, full registration fees must be paid prior to the next game as well as completion of the online registration. The previously paid casual fees **will not** be credited towards the players' registration fee.

1.5 - Transfers

A player transferring from one team/club to another within the association must do so before June 30th, of that playing year. The transferring player must apply to the BNA Committee in writing, along with written support from both former and future team/clubs of their intention to transfer.

In the event of an injury to a player who is not able to continue playing the rest of the season, a refund may be issued on a pro rata basis if requested in writing to the BNA committee.

SECTION 2 - CLUBS, TEAMS AND OFFICIALS UNIFORMS

Team uniforms shall be the same across all players. Each player shall wear the required player position bib in the teams nominated colours. Bibs are to be supplied by the team.

Appropriate shoes or boots must be worn. Shoes must be worn throughout the entire game by both players and umpires. All teams must be in full uniform prior to the third playing date, unless clubs/teams have requested an extension in writing to the BNA Committee.

It is strongly recommended ALL teams supply uniforms for the team.

SECTION 3 – JUNIOR DIVISIONS

Junior netball age categories, including Net Set Go are determined by the calendar year. All junior players must play within their age division. A junior player may play up in a higher division but must play in their respective age division first. Players found to be in breach of this rule will be ruled as an ineligible player – See SECTION 10 & 11.

The aim of this rule is to strengthen each age division with all eligible players participating.

Boys are permitted to participate in the BNA 12U division, only 1 boy is allowed on the court at any one time per team.

SECTION 3.1 - Net-Set-Go Program

Net-Set-Go Program is for 5-10yr olds who have not previously participated in Netball. These sessions are about skill development and participation and do not have structured weekly games. This program is conducted on Tuesday afternoons and may have a maximum amount of participants due to venue constraints. For more information about these programs, please contact the BNA Junior Committee at junior@broomenetball.com.au

This program is governed by volunteers and needs the support of the BNA community for it to be successful.

SECTION 3.2 - 10U Net Set Go Competition Days

This competition is played on Saturday mornings with modified Net Set Go rules and managed by the Junior Committee.

SECTION 3.3 – Junior Competition Playing Days

Junior competitions (12U, 14U) will be played on Saturday mornings and is managed by the Junior Committee. The 16U competition will be played on Tuesday evenings preceding senior games. All queries can be directed to junior@broomenetball.com.au

SECTION 4 - MATCH POINTS & RESULTS

For 16U and Senior Competition, the game shall consist of four quarters of 15 minutes each, with an interval of 3 minutes between the first/second and third/fourth quarters and an interval of 5 minutes at half time. Teams shall change ends at each quarter.

For all 14U and 12U competition the game shall consist of four quarters of 12 minutes each, with an interval of 2 minutes between the first/second and third/fourth quarters and an interval of 3 minutes at half time.

For the 10U NSG competition the game shall consist of four quarters of 10 minutes each, with an interval of 2 minutes between the first/second and third/fourth quarters and an interval of 3 minutes at half time. No ladders and match results are recorded in this division. No finals are played for this competition but a 'Round Robin' will be played on the final day round.

The official scorecard is the only true record of the match and should be checked at the end of the game and signed by the Captain. Scorecards showing the results of the match, the names of the players, the grade of the teams the date of the match and umpires votes for Fairest & Best Players and must be put in the 'lock box' attached to the equipment cage or delivered to the Registrar at the completion of the game by the umpires. Fairest & Best votes will be recorded as follows 3, 2, 1 – 3 points being the best and fairest.

In the preliminary rounds, points will be allocated by way of two (2) premierships points for a win, one (1) premierships point each for a draw and zero (0) premierships points for a loss.

Only matches in the final series will be played until a result is achieved.

In the event of teams gaining the same number of points at the end of the preliminary rounds, the respective placings shall be determined by ranking teams according to goal percentages

SECTION 5 - UMPIRES

The BNA has an Association Umpiring Development Team. This team is responsible for the education and development of umpires within the association as well as facilitating specific development squads for juniors and seniors in order to improve the level and number of BNA umpires. Some sessions will be compulsory for a minimum of 2 team representatives to ensure the information is shared amongst all teams and members. Penalties will apply for non-attendance - See SECTION 11.

Section 5.1 - Junior Competition

The BNA Junior Committee will be responsible for supplying umpires for all junior games, providing opportunities for the development of junior and senior umpires with mentors attending to assist and develop where needed.

Section 5.2 - Senior Competition

Umpiring is an integral part of any netball season and is one of the responsibilities of every team and player. Each team will be responsible for supplying an umpire for their own games. Failure to provide an umpire affects YOUR teams' game and will result in a forfeit. A player and/or coach from your team can umpire your game but must remain in that role for the entire game. Swapping between roles (players / coach) and umpires is NOT permitted. This is to ensure that the 2 umpires for each game can carry out their duties effectively, are approachable at breaks and remain as a 'team' for the entirety of the game. They should not liaise with their team at any stage during the game.

Section 5.3 - Responsibilities of Umpires

- Rostered umpires should arrive at least 5 minutes before the allocated match where possible.
- BNA will supply a game ball for each court. Warm-up / training balls are the responsibility of each team.
- Before the start of play, umpires are responsible for checking the court, surrounds and ball.
- Off court, the umpires shall inspect players for jewellery, adornments, the correct length of fingernails and uniforms. No taped fingernails or jewellery is permitted on any player.
- If less than 12 players recorded on the scorecard, block out the rest of the scorecard were names are written and initial.
- Umpires are to control the game and umpire according to the rules of netball.
- Umpires are to liaise with the scorer and timekeeper (if not on central timing) at the beginning and end of each playing time.
- At the completion of the game umpires should ensure that the scorecard is completed correctly, cast Fairest & Best votes and return the scorecard to the scorecard box in the cage located at the entry gate.

If the nominated umpire is a non-player or non-member, they MUST be an affiliated member of Netball WA. Registration for umpires to affiliate with the BNA is available online at **NO COST**. If they are not affiliated at the time of umpiring a casual match fee of \$15.00 will apply.

UMPIRING IS A TEAM COMMITMENT, SO PLEASE SUPPORT TEAM MEMBERS WHO MAY NOT BE CONFIDENT UMPIRING WHEN THEY ARE ROSTERED ON TO UMPIRE.

SECTION 6 - SCORERS & TIMEKEEPERS

The first named team in the fixture shall provide the Official Scorer, whilst the second named team shall supply the Official Timekeeper. Both officials shall remain together and be seated at the official score bench located in between the courts and check scores and time keeping with each other, for the duration the game. If there are no scoring/timing officials at the bench, scores will not be recorded until a score person attends to the duty.

SECTION 7 - CAPTAINS/COACHES/TEAM MANAGERS

Before the start of each game the captains/coach or team manager must

- Ensure all players are in correct uniform.
- Ensure any fill-in players have paid their casual player payment prior to taking the court. (Indicate if casual or registered on the scorecard)
- Ensure that all players are financial and are a registered member of BNA. Any player that takes the court that isn't financial or registered is deemed an ineligible player - See SECTION 10 & 11
- Ensure all players taking the court are recorded on the scorecard PRIOR to the game starting. The pre-filling of scorecards is for convenience only. Any player that takes the court that is not recorded on the score card is deemed an ineligible player - See SECTION 10 & 11

Section 7.1 - Captains Meetings

During the course of the season the BNA committee will conduct Captain's meetings approximately once per month to keep all teams up to date with the information and expectations of members and teams. 1 team representative for senior teams is required to attend (junior teams are not required although welcome to attend). Dates of Captains meetings are indicated on the Calendar available on the website and reminders will be posted on the Facebook page. A loss of Premiership points for non-attendance will apply. – See SECTION 11

SECTION 8 - INTERCHANGE OF PLAYERS (BETWEEN DIVISIONS)

1. No registered player shall play in a team in a lower grade or that of the same grade for which the player is registered. An application for permission for an incorrectly graded player to "Pass Down" to a lower team shall be lodged in writing to the BNA Committee in sufficient time for the Committee to consider the application, prior to commencement of the teams' next match.
2. Any player that is a member of an incorporated club cannot be a member of another team/club. Players cannot 'fill in' for any team outside of the incorporated club both in junior and senior divisions.
3. A club/entity team may transfer a player from a team in a lower grade to a team in a higher grade until said player has played 3 games in that team in the higher grade (Except where the 'Play Up Rule for juniors applies) Once they have played 3 games, they shall automatically become a member of the team in the higher grade.

Any games the player may have played for the higher team under a "Casual Player Registration" before becoming registered with the relevant club/ entity team shall count toward the tally. When a club/team intends playing a player in a higher grade for the third time, the club/team shall notify the BNA Committee into which team the player will now be registered.

A player is deemed to have played/participated in a game if their name is on the scorecard for that game and she has taken up a position on court anytime during that game.

4. A club which maybe short of players for the finals, may bring up a fully registered player from a team in a lower grade of the same club provided that she has played for the club three times during the season.
5. A senior entity team may play a fully registered junior player (not registered with a club) in a final without having played the 3 qualifying matches for that team. The junior player must be playing in the 14U competition (primary registration age group) or higher. The intention of this clause is to support finals games and prevent unforeseen circumstances that would deem a team to forfeit a finals game. The entity team requesting to play junior players, must only have 6 or less of their registered players available to play in the final. Written permission must be granted by the BNA Committee and notification provided to the opposing team.

Section 8.1 - Play Up Rule (Applies to 16 years and under players only)

The play up rule enables junior players to play in either a higher junior age group or senior game then return to their nominated team. This can occur in an unlimited number of games during the season. The player must be playing in their correct age group in order to play up. Junior players must be aged 15 in that year or above to play in the senior division. We encourage these junior players to be present on grading night. Any senior team wanting a junior player to play that is younger than 15 will have to obtain written permission from the BNA committee prior to the match. If the following age restrictions or permission is not adhered to then the player will be deemed an ineligible player – See SECTION 10 & 11

SECTION 9 - INELIGIBLE PLAYERS

An ‘ineligible player’ is deemed as a player that has either broken the rules outlined in the ‘rules of netball’ revised 2018 version or the BNA By-Laws. Section 11 outlines the penalty.

SECTION 10 – PENALTIES

	Penalty
Forfeiture	2 points to opposing team (10 goals to non-offending team, 0 goals to offending team). No votes to be awarded to either teams if a forfeit occurs during the game. In the event a team is late, the timer starts at the dedicated game time, 5 minutes is taken for the team to take the court, if they are unable to take the court within the 5 minutes, it is deemed a forfeit.
Ineligible Players as per SECTION 10	Immediate forfeit of game - 2 points to opposing team (10 goals to non-offending team, 0 goals to offending team).
Failure to attend team designated	Loss of 1 premiership point for non-attendance

responsibilities (i.e. specific meetings, Coaching / umpiring clinics etc.)	
Breach of code of conduct	To be determined by Permit & Protests committee (See section Permit & Protests Committee - Pg. 14)

SECTION 11 - SEMI FINALS, PRELIMINARY FINALS AND GRAND FINALS

A person qualifies to play in BNA finals' matches when said player has paid the full nominated registration fee, completed the online registration process and played in 3 fixtured matches for the same team on three separate dates during the specified netball season within the BNA.**

**exception as indicated in SECTION 9 – INTERCHANGE OF PLAYERS

Section 11.1 – Senior Division Finals

The top four teams in each division from the preliminary rounds will advance to the final series, consisting of semi-finals, preliminary final and grand final and shall be played as:

Semi-Final **1 v 2 & 3 v 4**
Preliminary Final Loser of 1 v 2 versus winner of 3 v 4
Grand Final Winner of semi-final 1 v 2 versus winner of preliminary final

Section 11.2 – Junior Division Finals

The top four teams in the 12U, 14U & 16U from the preliminary rounds will advance to the final series, consisting of semi-finals and a grand final and shall be played as

Semi Final **1 v 4 & 2 v 3**
Grand Final The winners of the semi-finals will progress to the grand final

Section 11.3 - Procedure for extra time when a winner is required – Finals only

There shall be a 4 minute interval at the end of full time

Extra time of 2 X 7 minute halves for senior divisions shall be played – 16U and senior divisions

Extra time of 2 X 5 minute halves for junior divisions shall be played – 12U & 14U

Teams change ends at half time of extra time with a one (1) minute interval,

During both of these intervals Substitution and or team charges are permitted.

Normal injury or illness procedures shall apply at extra time, however the 2 halves are considered 1 Qtr.

In the event of a tie remaining at the end of extra time, a visual shall be used to indicate that play shall continue until 1 team has a two (2) goal advantage.

SECTION 12 - CANCELLATION, RESCHEDULING OR REPLAYS OF MATCHES**Section 12.1 - Inclement Weather**

In the event of inclement weather, the BNA committee will decide whether games are to be cancelled and will decide when the games are to be re-scheduled. Should both teams wish to re-schedule at a different time to the decision made by the committee, the captains of both teams shall be in agreeance. Both teams are then responsible to supply their own umpires and lodge the completed and signed scorecard with the BNA Committee within 48 hours of the completion of the match.

In the event of the captains disagreeing, the Committee shall give the decision. If agreed not to play, a joint forfeit is awarded (See Forfeiture rulings below).

Section 12.2 - Forfeiture

Any team forfeiting a match shall notify the opposing team contact where possible and the BNA committee by 4pm on the day of the game.

In the event of a team forfeiting two (2) matches, the team shall show cause to BNA Officers for such forfeiture. This may warrant exclusion of this team from participating in the remainder of the BNA season in which this situation occurs.

When a team forfeits a match, two (2) premiership points for a win and ten (10) goals shall be credited to the opposing team. If the forfeiting team does not give sufficient notice to notify the opposing team they will also be debited one (1) premiership point.

In the event of joint forfeiture, no premiership points, goals or votes shall be awarded.

NOTE: Opposing teams can agree to jointly forfeit a match, but cannot agree to declare a match not played as a drawn match.

In the event of forfeiture after commencement of a match, the goals scored shall be recorded. The team that forfeited will be deemed to have lost the match and premiership points awarded to the opposing team.

In the event of a forfeit the non offending team can qualify players upon submitting a team list to the Association Administrator.

Section 12.3 - Rescheduled or Postponed Matches

No team shall postpone matches with the intention of playing them at a later date without the permission of the BNA Committee. Application for postponement, stating reasons and signed by the opposing team concerned, must be submitted to the BNA Committee for consideration.

If the time and date specified by the committee for the playing of the postponed match is not suitable, the team applying for the permit to re-schedule the match may be required to forfeit the match according to the merits of the case.

Should the match be re-scheduled, then the teams concerned shall each provide an umpire and the completed scorecard is to be lodged with the BNA Committee within 48 hours of the completion of the match.

Section 12.4 - Replayed Matches

In all cases where a replay of any match is necessary, such replay shall be regarded as a new match and any players eligible to play in the teams concerned may be included, irrespective of whether or not

such player was included in the team on the day on which the original match was played. Casual payment is still required for non-registered players and payment should accompany the scorecard submitted to the committee after the game. Playing a non-registered player without payment will result in a forfeit for that team.

SECTION 13 - WITHDRAWN TEAMS

A club/team shall only be considered disbanded when a written notice of withdrawal has been lodged with the BNA Committee. If notice of withdrawal is not received then the rules of forfeiture shall apply until after the 2nd forfeit or until notification is received.

SECTION 14 - COACHING & UMPIRING SESSIONS/CLINICS

For the purpose of development of coaches and umpires, the Association will conduct umpiring development sessions/clinics throughout the season. On demand we will also endeavour to provide coaching development where possible. It is a requirement that at least 2 representatives from each team attend umpiring clinics. Penalties will apply for non-attendance - See SECTION 11.

SECTION 15 - FUNDRAISING

In order to keep fees to a minimum the BNA will conduct fundraising throughout the season. As members of the Association you are strongly encouraged to participate in selected fundraising events as implemented by the Fundraising Co-ordinator and BNA Committee. As per the BNA strategic plan we will endeavour to raise funds to support short and long term projects such as presentation nights and facility upgrades. This cannot be done without the support of our members.

Fundraising for the North West Championships will require participation from all members selected in these teams. This is the major event for the Association each year and benefits only those that attend.

SECTION 16 - DRUGS AND ALCOHOL

In order to provide a safe environment for all members BNA has a zero tolerance for Drugs and alcohol. If a player or official in any capacity is suspected to be under the influence during play or officiating, they will be asked to leave the premises immediately and not return on that day. A formal warning will be issued by the BNA committee and any further breaches will be referred to the permit and protest committee.

SECTION 17 - SMOKING

BNA is committed to providing a 100% smokefree environment for all members and spectators. Please refrain from smoking within the courts and surrounding areas. The BRAC policy for smoking is that there will be NO SMOKING within the gated areas, or close to areas of activity.

SECTION 18 - SPORT SAFETY AND INJURY PREVENTION

BNA strongly encourages all participants to 'warm up' before they play to prevent injury.

Injuries sustained during the course of a BNA sanctioned competition require an injury/incident form to be completed and submitted to the Committee. The incident should also be recorded in the Incident Log book located on the equipment cage at the courts.

For any insurance claims being made for an injury sustained, the financial affiliated individual player/coach/umpire should follow instructions on the form to proceed with the claim. BNA will be required to make a declaration so please ensure that the initial injury/incident report form has been completed and submitted to the BNA.

SECTION 19 - MISCONDUCT

On court misconduct will be managed (where possible) by the umpire on duty for that game. If behaviour is deemed out of control, a committee member will be sought to attend to the situation and apply discipline if required.

Where an incident/s is deemed major by the Committee will be referred directly to Permit and Protest/Dispute Committee.

SECTION 20 - PARTICIPATION OF THE PREGNANT ATHLETE

Netball WA has prepared a Pregnant Athlete Policy which is available on the WA Netball website (www.netballwa.com.au).

SECTION 21 - FIRST AID SUPPLIES

BNA will supply the basic first aid supplies for the treatment of injuries sustained during play. However, the first aid supplies are not for the treatment of known injuries, so please supply your own strapping or bandaging for these pre-existing injuries.

SECTION 22 – COURT BOOKINGS – TEAM TRAINING SESSIONS

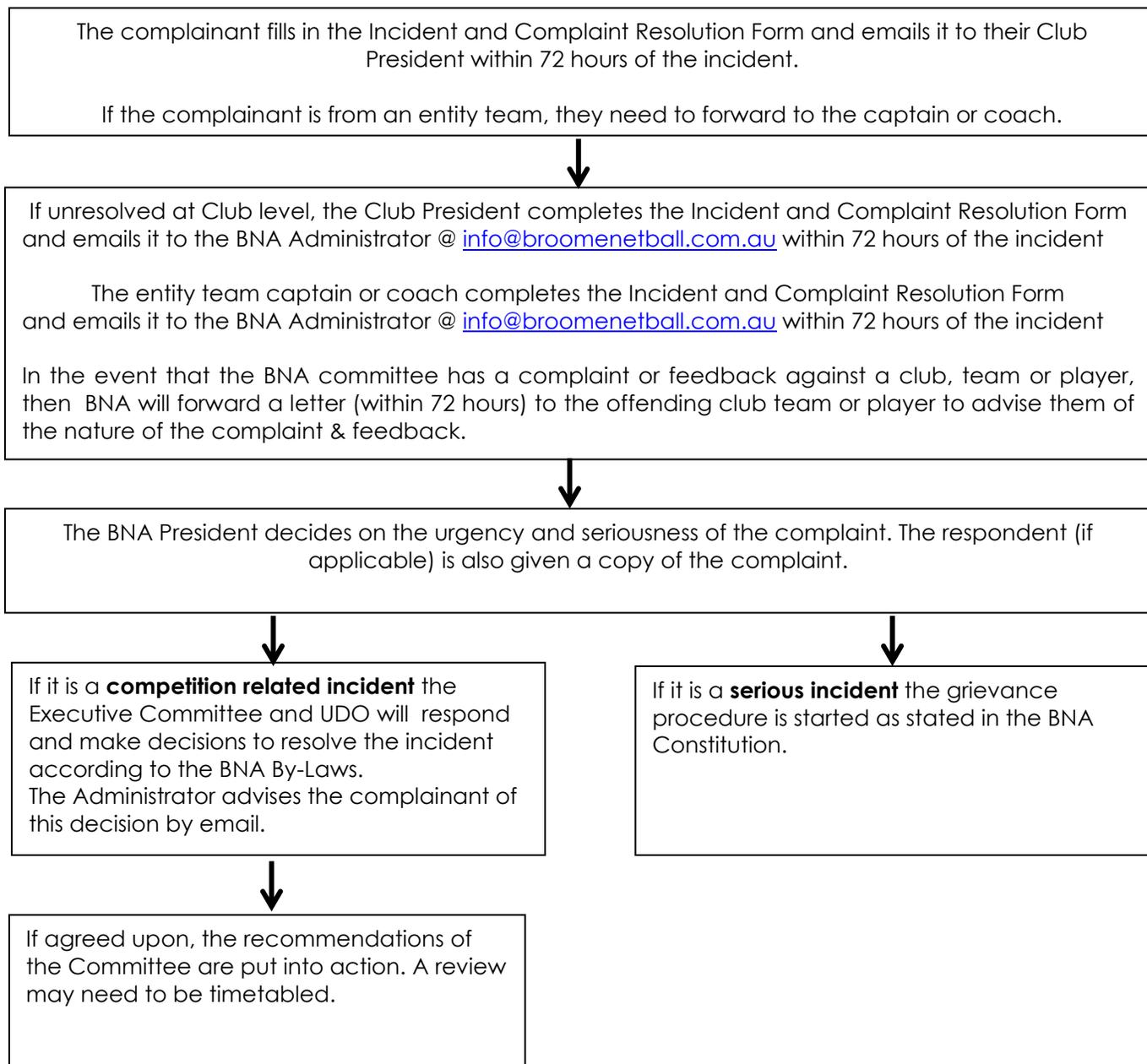
If requested teams can access 1 x 1 hour training session per week as the season starts and the team nomination fee has been paid. BNA will cover the cost of the court hire for these training sessions. If the team nomination has not been paid then teams cannot access the privilege of court hire.

Please be aware that due to competition evenings and the use of the courts from other sporting groups that access to the courts for team training is limited. Changes to training schedules should be communicated to the bookings officer at BRAC so the Association is not charged.

To make enquiries about a court booking for training contact BRAC directly on 9191 8720 or email bracbookings@broome.wa.gov.au A booking form must be completed to secure your request. The Venue Request Booking Form is available on the Shire of Broome website.

SECTION 23 - COMPLAINTS & FEEDBACK

BNA Complaint Handling Procedure



No complaints will be accepted unless correct procedure followed.

Complaint Forms can be requested from the Association or found on our website www.broomenetball.com.au under Resources.

SECTION 24 - PROTESTS– COMPETITION & COMMITTEE

A club, team or member wishing to protest a decision made by BNA through the complaint & feedback process must do so in writing to BNA (info@broomenetball.com.au) within 48 hours of receiving correspondence from BNA regarding the outcome of a complaint or feedback (section 23).

A committee of independent people will be formed if a club, team or member is wanting to protest the outcome of a complaint or feedback decision. This committee will consider information from all parties and make a final decision, regarding the complaint or feedback. The decision made by the protest committee is final and cannot be disputed.

Section 24.1 - Protest Committee**Composition:**

Three (3) people – independent of all parties involved in the dispute and not members of BNA will make up the Permit and Protect/Dispute Committee.

The Committee shall have the power to re-open and reconsider any **complaints & feedback** if the Committee shall consider such action to be justified.

There shall be no right of appeal against the decisions of any **protest**.

SECTION 25 - GENERAL CODE OF CONDUCT AND BEHAVIOUR FOR ADMINISTRATORS, COACHES, OFFICIALS, PLAYERS AND PARENTS,

BNA has adopted Codes of Conduct and Behaviour for administrators, coaches, officials, players and parents, addressing agreed standards of behaviour for everyone.

BNA expects players, officials and spectators to:

1. Respect the rights, dignity and worth of all players and officials
2. Act with impartiality
3. Be courteous, fair, considerate and honest with players and officials
4. Refrain from engaging in physical, verbal or emotional abuse of players or officials
5. Conduct all activities in a healthy and safe environment and treat players, Officials and administrators with respect
6. Encourage participation and respect the talent, potential and developmental stage of all players.
7. Ensure all players receive appropriate levels of positive attention and are given every opportunity to achieve

8. Ensure the health, safety and welfare of players and officials, and that all equipment and facilities are safe and appropriate.
9. Maintain a professional relationship with players, parents and officials
10. Demonstrate self-discipline, respect, dignity and professionalism to all players, officials and spectators
11. Maintain open, positive communication with players and officials.
12. Contribute positively to the team/Association and show appreciation toward coaches, officials and administration.
13. Operate within the rules of the sport including national and international guidelines which govern Netball.
14. Refrain from any behaviour which may bring BNA and its members into disrepute.
15. Avoid any situation which may lead to a conflict of interest.
16. Understand that the repercussions of any breaches of these Codes of Behaviour will be determined by the BNA Committee

Section 25.1 - BNA Committee

- Will act with professionalism and transparency at all times
- Will ensure that its rules are fair, clearly understood by players and officials, and properly enforced.
- Will make every effort to ensure that these rules are applied consistently and with absolute impartiality.
- Will impress upon players and officials the need to maintain the highest standards of sportsmanship and professionalism in the organisation and playing of netball.
- Will attempt to address all issues promptly and in an objective manner, maintaining equity and fairness at all times.

Section 25.2 - Netball Players

- Must abide by the rules and the spirit of the game.
- Must refrain from “sledging” opponents, umpires and officials.
- Must accept the decisions of the umpires without question or complaint.
- Must never consider cheating and, in particular, must not attempt to improve their individual performance by the use of drugs.
- Must exercise self control at all times.
- Must learn to accept success and failure, victory and defeat, with good grace and magnanimity, and without excessive emotional displays.
- Must treat their opponents and team-mates with due respect, both on and off the court.

Section 25.3 - Netball Coaches

- Must insist that players understand and abide by the principles of good sportsmanship.
- Must commit to attaining an appropriate level of coaching accreditation.
- Must never employ methods or practices that could involve risks, however slight.

- Must act professionally and within the rules outlined in the Coaches Code of Conduct at all times, with fairness to all players and other officials.
- Must commit to the long term health or physical development of their players.
- Must not attempt to manipulate the rules in order to take advantage of their players or their opponents.
- Must respect the rights and worth of every person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.

Section 25.4 - Netball Umpires

- Interpret rules and regulations to match the skill level and the needs of participants.
- Be consistent, objective and courteous in calling all infractions.
- Must commit to attaining an appropriate level of umpiring accreditation and/or development
- Condemn the intentional breaking of rules as being unsportsmanlike, and promote fair play and appropriate sporting behaviour.
- Use common sense to ensure that the “spirit of the game” for children is not lost by overcalling violations.
- Ensure that both your behaviour, on and off the court, is consistent with the principles of good sportsmanship. Actions speak louder than words.
- Make a personal commitment to keep yourself informed of sound officiating principles and the principles of growth and development of children.
- Help the education process in the game. Umpires can help players learn to play the game well by ensuring rule infractions are understood, and by encouraging fair play.

Section 25.5 - Parents

- Encourage children to participate if they are interested. If they are not, don't force them.
- Focus on playing the game, reducing the emphasis on winning.
- Teach children that an honest effort is as important as victory, so that the result of each game is accepted without undue disappointment.
- Encourage children to always play by the rules.
- Refrain from criticising children in front of others. Offer constructive feedback to whole team.
- Children are involved in sport for their enjoyment, not yours.
- A child learns best by example.
- Applaud good play by all teams.
- Accept decisions of all umpires as being fair and called to the best of their ability.
- Do not raise issues of disagreement publicly.
- Do not criticise opposing team members, supporters and especially umpires by word or gesture.
- Set a good example by your own conduct, behaviour and appearance.
- Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from sporting activities.
- Avoid use of derogatory language based on gender, race or impairment.

SECTION 26 – COMMENTS IN PUBLIC FORUMS

Any BNA member (including affiliated club members), found to participate in inappropriate comments, videos and/or other content in the media (including all forms of social media) in relation to BNA, committee, members and officials, shall expect action taken against them. The BNA committee shall decide upon the level of detriment of the alleged comments and shall offer the offending parties opportunity to rescind such comments. If the committee determines the comments worthwhile of a sanction, this shall be communicated to the individuals involved. For further information on Cyber Bullying and Safety and online bullying please refer to the Netball Australia Member Protection Policy.

SECTION 27 - WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK

BNA requires all members that are working with children to obtain a Working with Children Check with exception to those who volunteer for their children's team. Some exemptions apply.

****PLEASE REFER TO THE WORKING WITH CHILDREN SCREENING UNIT FOR MORE INFORMATION**

www.workingwithchildren.wa.gov.au

The Working with Children Check (WWC Check) is a compulsory criminal check for many people who work with children under the age of 18 in WA. It is administered by the Working with Children Screening Unit (WWCSU), Department of Child Protection.

SECTION 28 – LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Life Membership is awarded to a BNA member who has provided exceptional service and commitment for at least 5 concurrent years.

For a person to be awarded life membership, a member of BNA has to nominate them in writing and then the BNA committee will decide via a vote at their next committee meeting.

SECTION 29 - CONTACT DETAILS, WEBSITES & POLICIES

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Additional policies of interest are located on the Netball WA Inc and Netball Australia Websites.