

CRAIGIEBURN NETBALL ASSOCIATION INC.

SENIOR COMPETITION MATCH RULES

STARTING TIMES: Team fee is to be paid before collecting score sheets. Games are to commence at the designated time. Games are not to be delayed under any circumstances. All matches will be timed from one control siren. No team may take the court with fewer than five players. **LATE** teams are penalized one goal per minute, after five minutes game is declared a walkover and where possible a scratch match will be organized.

MATCHES: Matches will consist of 4 x 10 minute quarters with a 2 minute break at half time.

WALKOVERS: are not permitted and incur a fine of \$98.00. The opposing team gains four (4) points and ten goals to nil score when a team does not turn up to play.

- In the event that a team has not enough players to take the court the umpires will organize a scratch match, with each team paying their own game fees and the non – offending team receives the four points.
- If the team with not enough player's decides not to play they will incur the walkover fine and shall pay both team's costs, if the non – offending team decides not to play they are still required to pay their court fees as a game has been offered.

FINALS: to qualify for Finals a player must have played 3 **FULL** games.

QUALIFICATION OF PLAYERS FOR FINALS: no team will be allowed to introduce and qualify a new player in the last three (3) normal playing rounds of the season. Finals cannot be counted as normal rounds.

CAPTAINS: must make sure players and interchange players names are recorded on the score sheet prior to the commencement of the games. Team money (\$49.00) is to be handed to the supervisor **PRIOR** to the commencement of game. New player's names and V.N.A. Rego number should be recorded on the back of score sheet. **TEAM MUST SUPPLY OWN BIBS AND BALL. CLUB WILL NOT PROVIDE THEM.**

Players playing in Senior Competition must be 13 years or over. Players must turn 13 in the playing season.

JEWELLERY & FINGERNAILS: jewellery of any kind is not permitted (exceptions: wedding rings & **NEWLY** pierced ears must be taped). Fingernails must be cut short or taped correctly using flesh / skin coloured tape only, sold at front desk. Refer to Rule Book page 5 Section 1.4.3 and 1.4.4. No gloves are permitted unless a Doctor's certificate is produced. (Nails cut short or taped under gloves).

UNIFORMS: on the 3rd week of competition, all teams are expected to be in full uniform. Out of Uniform incurs a loss of 3 goals and a \$1.00 fine, which is to be paid to supervisor before taking the court. **NO TRACKSUIT PANTS ARE PERMITTED**

IN FINALS. Dark sports briefs must be worn by female players. **WHITE OR BIKINI TYPE BRIEFS ARE NOT PERMITTED. 3/4 TRACKPANTS / BIKE SHORTS ARE NOT PERMITTED.** Male players shall wear basketball, football or tennis shorts of the colour matching the female skirts. Females **MAY** wear shorts if entered as uniform at beginning of season if player turns up in skirt they will be deemed as out of uniform. (Penalty incurred). Long Bermuda, cycling, lycra, board or running shorts are not permitted. Singlet tops are only permitted if they are designated uniform otherwise offending player will incur Out of Uniform penalty.

BLOOD RULE: in the event of a player sustaining an injury involving bleeding, the player involved must leave the court and cannot rejoin the game until all bleeding has been stopped and the wound dressed. The game continues unless the court or ball requires blood to be removed. If substitution made, game continues, if position left vacant player resumes position during an interval or after a goal scored after notifying the umpires.

CANCELLED/INTERRUPTED MATCHES: Two points are awarded to each team when games are cancelled due to total power strike, water on courts or a prolonged petrol strike.

MISCONDUCT: Umpires have the authority to order off players or cancel games due to offensive/unsportsmanlike behaviour. The Committee has the authority to reprimand or expel any member/team found guilty of such conduct, which in the opinion of the Committee deems such member/team unworthy of remaining in competition. **Bad language, offensive behaviour and umpire/official abuse will not be tolerated in this competition and will be severely dealt with.** Umpires will penalize offending players/spectators in accordance with the rules of Netball and may report players/spectators who persist in this regard to Umpire Supervisor. The Match committee, at its discretion, may choose to penalize teams whose players/spectators continue to offend.

PLAYING FOR HIGHER SECTION: No player registered in a higher grade/section can fill in for a lower grade/section. Any lower grade/section player may fill in for a higher grade/section for only 2 games, anymore than 2 games they must apply for a clearance or be penalized. (Rule 7. C.N.A) The lowest grade/section may use one player only from the above grade/section only to prevent a walkover situation. Players cannot play for two teams on the one night in the same grade/section.

INTERCHANGE: Teams can have unlimited substitutions. Players can only be interchanged at intervals or after a stoppage for injury or illness. (Rule 6.1). Captains of opposing team to be notified of changes or penalty could be incurred.