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The purpose of this junior netball policy is to assist in the provision of quality sport experiences for young people. It will help to create safe and supportive environments for enjoyable participation and encourage life-long involvement. This policy applies to junior netball programs covering participants aged between 5-17 years.

The Freeling Netball Club recognises the importance of providing the opportunity for all young players to engage in netball in a way that brings them satisfaction, good health, fun, recognition and provides valuable learning's to young players.

Aims

To promote enjoyment in the game of netball

To enhance netball skills

To give opportunity for every player to learn to play

To promote fair attitudes towards team members and opposing teams

To encourage respect towards coaches and umpires

To promote club involvement and pride in the Freeling Netball Club

Guidelines

- Players must attend all trainings to improve their fitness and skill level, both as individuals and as a team. If there is a reason for non- attendance at a training or on game day, coaches must be notified by a parent or guardian prior to training. Non- attendance may result in the player involved missing court time during a Saturday game
- The FNC endeavours to encourage all young players to participate; however, to manage player participation, it is suggested when possible that there be a maximum of 9 players per team
- If a new player to the club wishes to play after the commencement of the season, they may play immediately. If the coach/s deems that the teams are full, then that player/s is encouraged to train with the club, and an opportunity is given to the player/s to play on a Saturday should a position become available
- At the beginning of each season, there will be the necessity to move players between teams. Coaches will attempt to settle teams as soon as possible
- Junior players promoted to a Senior grade will have a 4 match period in which to decide if they wish to stay in Senior's

- Coaches will endeavour to give all players equal court time during the minor round with the proviso that players comply with the above guidelines. If training is missed a player may miss the opportunity to participate in that week's game
- With the company of a parent/guardian, a player is encouraged to discuss any issues or problems with their coach or child safety officer in the first instance. The President can be approached if resolution is not satisfactory
- During finals, a coach will endeavour to give all players the opportunity of court time. However, it is at the coach's discretion to play the most competitive side available
- There will be an announcement via media and schools to advertise registration
- At the discretion of the Junior Development Officer, and in consultation with the committee, players may, by invitation only, be asked to represent our club at an Association or regional level
- Sub Payments must be paid in full by 31 May or the player will be deemed ineligible to play, unless a prior payment option has been discussed and approved with the club Treasurer.
- If a player is deemed as un-financial, the player in question will be reported as such to the BL&G Association and Netball SA, and therefore cannot register with another club in South Australia until such a time that a player is deemed financial by the FNC and has been removed from the list of un-financial players list.
- Team selection will be based on ability and those committed to preseason. Failure to attend trials may impact on your selection.

Grade/Team information:

Note: Ages As at 31 Dec of current year

NET SET GO/FUN NET

Purpose:

To introduce players to the game of netball.

To develop and teach basic skills.

Age:

Minimum age Reception to Year 2

Number of participating players:
No Minimum number

NETTA

Purpose:

To introduce players to the game of netball and introduce them to positions and basic rules

To develop and teach basic netball skills

Age:

Under 10 years of age and must turn 8 in the year of competition. Special exemptions may be available via request to the Junior Development Committee.

Number of participating players:

No more than 10 players per team.

Player Selection criteria:

A squad of no more than 20 players will be selected based on age only. Players in this squad will then be graded accordingly into Netta 1 and Netta 2, by Junior Development officer and coaches.

If there is an excess of players (more than 20 players), players may be given the opportunity to participate on game day in a named Netta team. The oldest player in this circumstance is to be given priority to participate. Based on demand, an advance program training, or similar, may be offered to players as deemed necessary by the Junior Development Officer and Committee.

PRIMARY

General Purpose:

Grade is deemed as semi competitive. There are no finals, with the top team on the premiership table awarded the premiership on Grand Final day. Score is displayed on the scoreboard and results and premiership table is published in the media

To further develop netball skills ready for fully competitive netball

Age:

11 years & under

Number of participating players:

No more than 9 players per team, unless deemed necessary by coach, Junior Development officer and committee

Player Selection criteria:

Players selected on ability not age.

SUB JUNIORS

General Purpose:

To introduce players to position/s deemed most suited by coach.

Age:

13 years & under

Number of participating players:
No more than 9 players per team, unless deemed necessary by coach, Junior Development officer and committee

Player Selection criteria:
Players selected on ability not age.

JUNIORS

General Purpose:

To develop and maintain skills most suited to player's position/s.

Age:

15 years & under

Number of participating players:

No more than 9 players per team, unless deemed necessary by coach, Junior Development officer and committee

Player Selection criteria:
Players selected on ability not age.

INTERMEDIATE

Age:

17 years & under

Number of participating players:

No more than 9 players per team, unless deemed necessary by coach, Junior Development officer and committee

Player Selection criteria:
Players selected on ability not age.

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