



## After School Netball

### Centre Rules/By-Laws & Game Regulations



	<u>Year 2</u>	<u>Year 3/4</u>	<u>Year 5/6</u>
<b>Mercy Rule*</b>	15 goals		
<b>Footwork (Stepping)</b>	A few small movements are permitted	Regular footwork rules apply	
<b>Males on Court</b>	Maximum three at a time**		
<b>Held Ball</b>	3 Seconds***	3 Seconds	
<b>Centre Passes</b>	Umpires will delay blowing their whistle and lets players to reset	No delay. Umpires will blow their whistles as soon as the Centre enters the Centre Circle, calling "Breaking" and "Not Wholly Within"	
<b>Ring Height</b>	3.0 Metres		
<b>Ball Size</b>	Size 5		

**\*Mercy Rule:** When the difference between two team's scores is equal to fifteen or more goals, every centre pass from the last scored goal is given to the losing team. Upon the difference becoming less than fifteen, the next centre pass is automatically awarded to the opposing team.

**\*\*Males on Court:** Junior Netball teams can have a maximum of three (3) boys on court and they must line up in different zones (attack (GS or GA); mid (WA or C or WD); defence (GD or GK) of the court at the Centre pass, for example you cannot have boys playing GD & GK or GS & GA or C & WA/WD.

**\*\*\*Held Ball:** In the Year 2 Division, umpires may delay and encourage the ball to be passed before calling 3 Seconds.

**Major vs Minor Infringements:** Major Infringements (eg. contact/obstruction) will take precedence over minor infringements (eg. footwork, offside, replay) where both are committed, or where they do not affect the game.

**Outdoor Weather Policy:** Games held at outdoor venues (eg. Cabra) will continue in wet weather. In extreme weather (eg. Lightning, Hail) or poor court conditions (eg. Flooding) staff at the venue may cancel games for the safety of the teams. Once this decision is made, teams will be contacted asap.

**Accessories:** All accessories such as jewellery, watches, fit-bits, etc, must be removed before play can commence. If jewellery cannot be removed, then it is required by the Centre that it be covered by sports tape which is available at the Centre office.

Accessories can be exempted on the grounds of religious beliefs or medical purposes, but this must be organised and approved by Centre Management

**Player Uniforms:** Players must ensure they follow the guidelines set out by the Participation guide with regards to pockets, belts, buckles, and belt loops. Centre management reserves the right to exclude any player who violates these conditions.

A junior player can play in their school uniform if it doesn't violate the conditions listed above

**Approaching junior officials before, during, or after the game with any form of discussion, whether it be complimentary, criticism, constructive feedback, or rule clarification is NOT PERMITTED.**

**ALL FEEDBACK CONCERNING REFEREES, SPECTATORS, OR YOUR OPPOSITION SHOULD BE GIVEN TO MANAGEMENT STAFF AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.**