
Rules & Information for the Netball ACT College Gala Day Competition

1. Netball ACT will release the dates for each phase of the Schools Gala Day in January/February.
2. A one-off entry fee of \$10 per individual to be paid by schools via invoice. An invoice will be sent out to the school contact following registration on PlayHQ.
3. A refund will only be paid if a school withdraws more than one (1) week prior to the Gala Day. If a school withdraws the night before or on the day of competition no refund will be issued.
4. Students participating in the Netball ACT College Gala Days will be covered under Netball ACT Public and Products Liability Insurance.
5. The draw for all phases will be emailed to the school contact two (2) days prior to the Gala Day.
6. Courts are to be prepared, marked and maintained to the standard required by Netball ACT and in accordance with the current rules of the game. Sufficient space (minimum 1.5m) around and between each court to enable umpires to move around the court whilst officiating at matches, also allowing for movement of players and spectators between and around courts.
7. The courts and weather conditions shall be inspected by Netball ACT staff one (1) hour and thirty (30) minutes prior to the commencement of round one (1). In the case of unsuitable playing conditions, a message will appear on Netball ACT's Facebook page no later than one (1) hour before the commencement of round one (1) advising the postponement of the day.

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8. Players may not play in a team other than the team in which they were originally registered in.
9. Players must play in the correct School Sport/Netball uniform which shall be an identical uniform except where prior approval has been given.
10. Schools will need to supply their own patches/bibs and a size five (5) netball to play with. Please contact Netball ACT if your school cannot supply your own.
11. Games will be centrally timed and consist of twelve (12) minute halves with two (2) minutes for half time and four (4) minutes between games. Netball ACT reserves the right to alter the match format dependent on the number of entries received.
12. Injury time can be taken by teams as per rule 7.1 of the IFNA Official Rules of Netball 2012; however, the time will not be stopped or added onto games played in the finals series.
13. Each School/Team is to provide one (1) scorer. Scorers for each team shall stand together on the sideline towards the middle of the court. Winners at the conclusion of the game are to return the signed sheet to event control.
14. A score sheet having been signed by both scorers and lodged with Netball ACT staff will not be returned to any team for any correction. No disputes will be entered into regarding score sheets.
15. In circumstances where team officials of both teams testify that the score sheet submitted to Netball ACT staff is incorrect Netball ACT staff have the discretion to vary the official scores.

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16. The competition shall be conducted on a points score basis as reflected in the points table under Rule 16.

17. Points Table

School Gala Day Points Table

Win	Loss	Draw	Forfeit*	Bye	Abandoned**
2	0	1	2	0	1

***Teams may claim a forfeit if the opposition team is not present at the court after three (3) minutes from the scheduled time.**

****If game abandoned prior to half time – 1 point each team**

18. If during the competition schools finish on an equal number of points a goal average will determine final placing. The goal average shall be determined by the total number of goals scored by the team, divided by the number of goals scored against the team, multiplied by 100 and divided by the actual number of matches played by the team.

$$\text{i.e. } \frac{\text{Goals scored}}{\text{Goals scored against}} \times \frac{100}{\text{matches played}}$$

The number of matches actually played includes a match a team has forfeited but does not include a match where the team has received a forfeit.

19. Players, Coaches, Umpires, Parents and Spectators are expected to abide by the Netball ACT Codes of Behaviour found at act.netball.com.au. Netball ACT reserves the right to ask any member of the public to leave a premises in which the Gala Day is being held.

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20. Umpires

- i. Schools will need to supply one (1) umpire per team. It is recommended for the umpires being supplied to hold a minimum current pass for the online Foundational Umpire Course
- ii. Umpire names are to be received by Netball ACT with team registration.

21. School Gala Days shall comprise of mixed teams with no more than twelve (12) girls/boys. Players may only represent/play within one (1) team.

- i. There may only be THREE (3) boys on court at a time. They must not be in the same area (e.g., GA and GS).

2. Schools shall register teams for the competition on the approved Schools Gala online registration portal via PlayHQ prior to the specified closing date of Friday 5th of May.

3. The following procedures apply:

- i. An individual school is able to enter a maximum of six (6) teams in one (1) local day.
- ii. Registrations will be received on a first in basis and only confirmed once payment is received. Once the maximum number of teams for the venue has been reached registrations will close, even if prior to the close of registration date.
- iii. Schools will be divided into pools and play a round robin competition for the day. Where possible schools will not have two teams in the same pool.
- iv. Netball ACT reserves the right to vary the number of allocated teams in each pool and the number of pools dependent upon the number of entries received.
- v. There are no finals during Phase 1.