



# WPS Netball Club Codes of Conduct 2022

## For Players, Parents/Guardians, Spectators, Coaches & Officials

Full 2022 Netball & NetSetGo Terms & Conditions, Privacy Policy, Codes of Conduct for Participants, Officials & Spectators can be viewed at: <https://www.wpsandc.com.au/netball/>

Agreement with and acknowledgement of all Terms & Conditions, general information about grading/training included throughout the 2022 registration form, published on the WPSNC website and detailed below, is required to register.

### PRIVACY POLICY 2022

As a community sporting organisation, WPSNC will, to the best of its ability, protect and respect your privacy and personal information.

You and your child's details are collected purely for the purpose of sporting registration and insurance with our parent bodies, Netball Australia, Netball NSW and NSNA. Furthermore, some general information is required by the Club to assist with team formation and grading.

Your information and contact details are not shared with any 3<sup>rd</sup> party, except as required to allow our club teams to contact each other during the normal course of a sporting season. All information we hold is password protected.

From time to time, the Club publishes individual and team photos on our social media platforms. These photos are taken in the context of playing sport and for the purpose of communication and celebration. Sometimes it will be possible to identify an individual player in these photos.

IF YOU DO NOT WISH YOUR CHILD TO BE PHOTOGRAPHED IN THIS MANNER, PLEASE OPT OUT by emailing [wpsnetballclub@gmail.com](mailto:wpsnetballclub@gmail.com), including your name, your child/rens' name/s and the specific request NOT TO PUBLISH.

## **PLAYERS' CODE OF CONDUCT 2022**

1. Know the rules and play by them.
2. Always play safely and fairly.
3. Applaud all good play, by your own team and opponents.
4. Accept and abide by all umpires' decisions on court, without argument.
5. Be polite to umpires at all times.
6. Treat all players as you would like to be treated.
7. Always encourage and support your team mates.
8. Shake hands\* with the opposition after the match and thank the umpires.
9. Co-operate with and be polite to your coach, manager and team mates at all times.
10. Be on time to training and games, and ensure you have the right uniform and equipment, including short, smooth nails and NO jewellery or adornments.

\*2022 Covid health & safety guidelines may supersede these codes; please adapt accordingly.

## **PARENT/GUARDIAN/SPECTATORS' CODE OF CONDUCT 2022**

1. Be a model of good sports behaviour for your children and team members to copy.
2. Encourage your child and other players to play according to the rules and official decisions.  
Please also develop your own knowledge of the rules.
3. Applaud all good play by your child's team and the opposition.
4. Never ridicule or scold a player for making a mistake during a competition or losing a game.  
Positive comments are motivational.
5. Do not make or call out disparaging remarks to anyone on court, including the umpires. Only the captain can approach the umpire and ask them to explain a rule, not to tell the umpire that the GS is pushing, for example.
6. Show respect for and be courteous towards your team's coach, manager, the umpire and opponents. Without them there would be no game. Teach your children to do the same.
7. If you disagree with an umpire, coach or manager during a match, raise the issue through the appropriate channels rather than question their judgement or decisions in public. If you require assistance during a game visit the venue administration office immediately.
8. Focus on your child's efforts and performance rather than the overall outcome of the event. This assists your child in setting realistic goals related to her ability by reducing the emphasis on winning.
9. Teach your child that a good honest effort is as important as victory, so the result of each game is accepted without undue disappointment.
10. Do not go on court at any time, particularly during the breaks in games. It's best to talk to your child after the game, as the team coach has limited time to give instructions and your presence may cause a delay, distraction or confusion. At intervals, the team manager or one parent may help deliver drinks to the team.
11. Accept the decision of the Club in relation to team grading and acknowledge any withdrawal of a child due to grading will forfeit your registration fee.
12. Refer to the WPSNC Gold Standard Spectator poster for the safest places to view your child's match\*. Our team managers are tasked with the responsibility of managing their sidelines at all games.
13. Team members/families are required to work together to communicate all Team, Club & Association messages and respond in a timely manner, and to use team communications for netball related matters only.

\*Covid health & safety guidelines may supersede these club codes & limited spectators may still be permitted at games in 2022. Please make adaptations according to the latest health guidelines.

## COACHES & OFFICIALS CODE OF CONDUCT 2022

1. Operate within the rules and spirit of netball, promoting fair play over winning at any cost.
2. Encourage and support opportunities for players to learn appropriate behaviour, skills and playing positions.
3. Support opportunities for participation in all aspects of the sport.
4. Treat each player equally and as an individual.
5. Display control and courtesy to all involved with the sport.
6. Respect the rights and worth of every person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.
7. Respect the decisions of umpires, officials and administrators in the conduct of the sport.
8. Wherever practical, avoid unaccompanied and unobserved one-on-one activity (when in a supervisory capacity or where a power imbalance will exist) with people under the age of 18 years. Our team managers play an important role in this area of supervision.
9. Adopt appropriate and responsible behaviour in all interactions.
10. Act with integrity and objectivity and accept responsibility for your decisions and actions.
11. Ensure your decisions and actions contribute to a safe environment\*.
12. Ensure your decisions and actions contribute to a harassment-free environment.
13. Do not tolerate harmful or abusive behaviour.
14. Place the safety and welfare of the players above all else\*.
15. Help each person reach their potential – respect the talent, developmental stage and goals of each person, compliment and encourage with positive and supportive feedback.
16. Team coaches and managers are required to work together to communicate all Team, Club & Association messages to all team members/families in a timely manner and to use team communications for netball related matters only.
17. During competition round matches, all players present (except if injured) must play at least half a game. During semi-finals, finals and grand finals, the team that plays is at the discretion of the coach and may or may not involve the team manager.

\*2022 Covid health & safety guidelines may supersede some of these codes or require additional procedures for Coaches & Managers; please adapt accordingly.