



Baulkham Hills Netball

Registration Policy

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1. Aim of Policy

- a) To provide Clubs with appropriate and relevant information to enable them to submit their registrations accurately for any Baulkham Hills Netball organised competition.
- b) All registered members must agree to abide by the Baulkham Hills Netball Constitution and Policies and the relevant Netball NSW Policies and Codes of Conduct.
- c) No player may take the court unless they are registered in the current database and their fees are fully paid to Baulkham Hills Netball
- d) To prevent misleading or false information being deliberately provided when registering, as this results in non-acceptance or cancellation of a member's registration. If a registration is cancelled no refund of fees is paid.

2. What does Registration mean?

- a) Registering as a member of an affiliated club of Baulkham Hills Netball provides automatic membership of our member organisation, Netball NSW who is affiliated with Netball Australia.
- b) Registration is undertaken online using the club's registration form.
- c) Membership provides basic insurance cover.
- d) Members are provided with access to all netball education and development opportunities relating to playing, coaching, umpiring and administration, which may incur a cost.
- e) Members access these resources through the Netball Learning Centre.
- f) Membership is considered being an ACTIVE participant in your Association.

3. Who needs to be registered as a member?

- a) All players aged 5-6 years involved with NetSetGO skills program
- b) All players aged turning 7 years or older
- c) All non-playing coaches, managers and umpires
- d) Life Members
- e) Club Delegates to Meetings
- f) All administrators including Club Committee members who do not play

4. Registration of Teams

- a) Clubs must register their teams with Baulkham Hills Netball each competition.
- b) Registration dates and fees are advised annually and no later than the first Council Meeting following the Annual General Meeting.
- c) Team registration consists of a minimum of 5 registered players to a maximum of 12 registered players.
- d) Registration fees are payable at the time of registration
- e) All players must provide proof of age when first registering.
- f) All players must be registered PRIOR to playing.

5. Registration Process

- a) Clubs must create appropriate teams within the registration database.
- b) Team lists are to be submitted to Baulkham Hills Netball as directed by the BHN Executive.
- c) Clubs must indicate preferred grade within the registration database.

6. Player Identification

- a) Player Identification is completed by Club Registrars.
- b) Identification is approved annually by Baulkham Hills Netball prior to the commencement of the competition.

7. Age Restrictions

Age restrictions apply in all grades.

Open Grades: Players turning a minimum of 16 years of age in the year of play are eligible to be registered in Open Grades.

Intermediate Grades: Players turning a minimum of 15 years of age and a maximum of 19 years of age in the year of play. A maximum of 2 x 14 year old players may be allowed to play in an Intermediate team, if there is no other team within the Club that the player/s can reasonably be registered into. A request from the Club must be submitted in writing and approved by BHN Executive prior to team Lodgement.

The request letter must include the following:

- i. a detailed reason why the player/s are required to play up,
- ii. the playing history of the player/s for the last 3 years, as far as is known to the club, and
- iii. confirmation that the player/s and the parents are aware of the potential grading, what the age grouping for Intermediate Grade is, and consent to having their daughter registered into Intermediate Grade.

14 years: There must be a minimum of 5 players registered in the team turning 14 years in the year of play. Underage players are permitted but must be turning a minimum of 13 years in the year of play.

13 years: There must be a minimum of 5 players registered in the team turning 13 years in the year of play. Underage players are permitted but must be turning a minimum of 12 years in the year of play.

12 years: There must be a minimum of 5 players registered in the team turning 12 years in the year of play. Underage players are permitted but must be turning a minimum of 11 years in the year of play.

11 years: There must be a minimum of 5 players registered in the team turning 11 years in the year of play. Underage players are permitted but must be turning a minimum of 10 years in the year of play.

10 years: There must be a minimum of 5 players registered in the team turning 10 years in the year of play. Underage players are permitted but must be turning a minimum of 9 years in the year of play.

NetSetGO: No player turning less than 6 years of age in the year of play may register or participate in the NetSetGO competition. A maximum of 3, 6 year olds may register into a 7 year old team only. 6 year olds may NOT play or be borrowed into 8 or 9 years NetSetGO competition teams.

NSG Skills: 5 & 6 years old participate.

8. Registration of Baulkham Hills Netball Life Members

- a) Life Members must register through their club's online membership form.
- b) Life Members will have their Netball NSW component paid by Baulkham Hills Netball Association.
- c) Life Members are not charged a Baulkham Hills Netball non-player Fee.

9. Registration of Baulkham Hills Executive Members

- a) Current year Executive Members must register through their club's online membership form.
- b) Current year Executive Members will have their Netball NSW component paid by Baulkham Hills Netball Association.
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- d) Current year Executive Members are not charged a Baulkham Hills Netball non-player Fee.

10. Registration of Representative Players at Baulkham Hills Netball

10.1 All BHN Representative Players

- a) All Senior players within the BHN Representative Program must register with Baulkham Hills Netball – a list will be provided to Clubs.
- b) All 12-13-14-15 years Representative & Talent Development players must be registered with an affiliated BHN Club Team in the year of play.
- c) All 12-13-14 years players in the BHN Representative and Talent Development Programs **MUST** play in their own Age Group.
- d) All Representative and Talent Development players are considered Representatives until the conclusion of the BHN Winter Competition.

10.2 Premier League and Metro League Players

*This clause relates to all Premier League and Metro League Players (regardless of age or the Association playing for that year) **MUST** register into OPENS divisions.*

- a) Premier League must play in Open A1 only
- b) Metro League divisions 1, 2 and 3 may register no lower than Open A grade
- c) Metro League divisions 4, 5 and 6 may register no lower than Open B2 grade

10.3 15 years Representative and Talent Development Players

*This clause relates to all 15 years Representative and Talent Development players **regardless** of the Association they are representing.*

- a) BHN Club teams with Representative and/or Talent Development Players may register a maximum of seven (7) Representative points per team.
- b) Representative points are calculated on the following basis:
 - I. Representative Player equals two (2) points.
 - II. Talent Development Player (TDP) equals one (1) point.

- c) Each Club must supply a list of ALL known Representative & Talent Development players (representing BHN and any other Association) at the time of Team lodgement, clearly identifying the playing teams for these players.
- d) In addition, each Club must supply a list of players in other Association Representative Squads which have not yet been finalised at the time of Team Lodgement, clearly identifying the playing teams for these players.
- e) Should a BHN registered player be selected into a Representative or Talent Development Team after Team lodgement, BHN Executive should be notified immediately in writing. The BHN Executive will consider the implications for the competition objectives and impact on the grade, team, and individual player before requesting changes (if required).
- f) Should a BHN Club Team play a competition game with more than seven (7) Representative points on court at one time that team will receive a penalty forfeit for the game.

10.4 12years, 13years, 14years Representative and Talent Development Players

This clause relates to all 12-13-14 years Representative and Talent Development players regardless of the Association they are representing.

- a) BHN Club teams with Representative and/or Talent Development Players may register a maximum of seven (7) Representative points per team.
- b) BHN Club teams with Representative and/or Talent Development Players may have a maximum of five (5) Representative points on court at one time in any competition game.
- c) Representative points are calculated on the following basis:
 - I. Representative Player equals two (2) points.
 - II. Talent Development Player (TDP) equals one (1) point.
- d) Each Club must supply a list of ALL known Representative & Talent Development players (representing BHN and any other Association) at the time of Team lodgement, clearly identifying the playing teams for these players.
- e) In addition, each Club must supply a list of players in other Association Representative Squads which have not yet been finalised at the time of Team Lodgement, clearly identifying the playing teams for these players.
- f) Should a BHN registered player be selected into a Representative or Talent Development Team after Team lodgement, BHN Executive should be notified immediately in writing. The BHN Executive will consider the implications for the competition objectives and impact on the grade, team, and individual player before requesting changes (if required).
- g) Should a BHN Club Team play a competition game with more than five (5) Representative points on court at one time that team will receive a penalty forfeit for the game.

11. Registration of NetSetGO Skills Participants

All NetSetGo Skills participants must register through the club's online membership form.

12. Registration of Non-Players

Non-players must register through the club's online membership form.

13. Late Registration

- a) New or additional players may be late registered by an affiliated club, providing the Late Registration form is completed.
- b) Late Registration must be notified to the BHN Registrar no later than Thursday 5pm prior to competition game (extenuating circumstances may apply)
- c) All late registering players must meet all criteria under this Policy, and abide by the **Late Registration Table**.

14. De-Registration

- a) Players are eligible for de-registration refund of the BHN component of the registration fee less the administration fee (as listed in the Fees, Fines and Payment Schedule) up to and including Round 3 of the Winter Competition.
- b) De-registration after Round 3 is available when a player does not take part in any game **through no fault of their own**, and will not include a monetary refund.
- c) When a player de-registers, their registration fee is **not transferable** to another player.
- d) Clubs must apply for de-registrations to BHN by completing the *De-registration Form* and attaching a letter detailing the reason for the de-registration, attaching any evidence available supporting the reasons for de-registration
- e) Player refund requests will be less the NNSW component in accordance with the current Netball NSW Affiliation and Membership Policy.
- f) Once a player is de-registered, they cannot re-register with any other Baulkham Hills Netball affiliated club.
- g) Any players in a Team withdrawing from the competition after the Final Grading is complete will not be eligible for de-registration refunds.

15. Insurance

- a) All players are insured under their Netball Australia current year membership.
- b) Information regarding claim forms can be found at howdengroup.com/au-en
