

Junior Netball Gala Day – Rules & Regulations

(U10–U15 Competition)

(A) General

1. Sydney Uni Sport will manage the format, structure and conduct of the event.
2. The Sydney Uni Sport Junior Netball Gala are conducted in the following divisions;
10 – 11 years
12 – 13 years
14 – 15 years
Final divisions for each event will be determined by number of team registrations received.
3. All matches will be played on all-weather outdoor hard courts.

(B) Competition Format & Gameplay

1. All matches will be conducted in accordance with the Rules of Netball, unless otherwise stated within these rules.
2. Games will consist of:
 - 2 x 12-minute halves
 - 2-minute half-time break
3. A central hooter/siren will start and finish all matches.
4. Games will be refereed by Sydney Uni Sport authorised officials. They will be known as match referees.
5. Teams will be placed into groups appropriately based on age. The Sydney Uni Sport Junior Netball Gala is designed to be participation focused. There will be no grading, if more than one pool is required for a division, teams will be allocated at random.
6. Standard netball scoring applies: 1 goal = 1 point
7. Points throughout the group stages will be awarded as follows:
 - A. 3 points for a WIN
 - B. 1 point for a DRAW
 - C. 0 points for a LOSS
 - D. Should a team forfeit their match, 3 points and an 8 nil win will be awarded to the opposing team.
 - E. Points in the group stage should be allocated as follows.

Ladder positions may be determined by:

1. Competition points
2. Goal difference
3. Goals scored

8. Finals format will be confirmed prior to the event.
9. Drawn finals may proceed to golden point

(C) Team Requirements & Entry

1. Team entry will include details of a minimum of seven (7) and a maximum of ten (10) players' names and must be received by the closing date for the Junior Netball Gala.
2. There is a team entry fee of \$320 per team.
3. All entries must be received by Sydney Uni Sport by the published time and date for close of entries.
4. A minimum of 5 players is required to start a match.
5. All players must play in their correct age division unless approved by organisers.
6. There is strictly NO combining of players (during) from players within the same club but from separate teams and/or players from another club competing in the gala day.
7. There is strictly no player replacement permitted before or mid-way through the gala day, unless authorised by the Gala day officials.
8. Any Team Officials (i.e Coach or Manager) must hold a current Working with Children check.

(C) Player Rotation & Substitutions

1. Rolling substitutions are permitted. Players must swap at the sideline in line with the centre circle (except for GS / GK who swap in the goal third near the transverse line). Only one player can leave/enter at a time.
2. The player leaving the field must exit at the interchange zone (halfway) or otherwise where directed by match referee.

3. A player entering the field must only enter from the interchange zone (halfway).
4. Those playing GS or GK must enter and leave the court in the goal third near the transverse line.

(D) Player Equipment

1. Appropriate footwear must be worn at all times.
2. Jewellery must be removed or taped.
3. Fingernails must be cut short.
4. Teams should wear matching uniforms
5. Bibs will be provided by Sydney Uni Sport staff for each team
6. Bibs must comply with standard netball position abbreviations.

(E) Behaviour & Sportsmanship

1. All umpire decisions are final.
2. Players, coaches and spectators must treat umpires respectfully at all times.
3. Good sportsmanship is expected from all players, coaches and spectators.
4. Unsportsmanlike behaviour may result in warnings or removal from matches/event.