

# NETBALL WA

## 2022 ABORIGINAL YOUTH GALA DAY

### Competition Rules and Regulations Manual



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# ABORIGINAL YOUTH GALA DAY PARTICIPATION NETBALL CARNIVAL SUNDAY 1 May 2022

## PURPOSE

The Aboriginal Youth Gala Day forms part of one of the key community Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander events in the Netball WA (NWA) calendar and is held annually to provide all junior Aboriginal participants with the opportunity to showcase their skills in a competition environment.

This round robin carnival signifies the official commencement of the NWA Aboriginal Grassroots Netball Program. It provides an opportunity for all players and coaches from across the state to come together to participate and enjoy the culture and history of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in netball.

The carnival encourages the attendance of the NWA Aboriginal Grassroots Sites, community-based teams and teams formed to participate in this event.

## COVID-19

Due to the unprecedented environment COVID-19 has left on the current NWA Competitions, NWA reserves the right to make alterations to this Manual at any point to best suit the Competition and the protocols directed by the State Government.

As per the current State Government directions, the 2022 Aboriginal Youth Gala Day is being planned under Phase 4 COVID-19 Protocols.

Please be aware that during Phase 4, patron capacity limits must be adhered to at the venue. Patron numbers will be monitored throughout the day of the event to ensure capacity limits are met. There will be mandatory contact tracing at the venues and patrons will be required to scan in upon entry.

Venue limits will be determined by the one person per 2sqm whilst physical distancing of 1.5m must be maintained where possible, when not participating in match play.

NO PERSON is to attend the Aboriginal Youth Gala Day if they are sick, have a temperature, feel unwell or if they have been in contact with another person who has been sick.

Alcohol based hand sanitisers will be available across the venue and is recommended to be used upon entry, during the day and before exiting.

## General Hygiene Protocols

- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Stay home and seek medical treatment when you are sick.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds – If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitiser.
- Cover your mouth with the pit of your elbow to cough or sneeze.

For all other Return to Community Netball COVID-19 Phase 4 protocols please visit the NWA website here: <https://wa.netball.com.au/netball-wa-covid-19-protocols>

## EVENT INFORMATION

### 1. Venue, Date and Time

Date: Sunday 1 May 2022

Time: 9.00am – 5.00pm

Venue: Southern Districts Netball Association (SDNA)

Address: 81 Langford Avenue, WA, 6147

### 2. Proposed Schedule (Please note this is subject to change).

#### Sunday 1 May 2022

8:00am	Teams Arrival
9:00am	Opening Ceremony commences – Welcome to Country
9:15am	Cultural Performance
9:30am	Opening Ceremony concludes
9:45am	Games commence
11:00am	NetSetGO Clinic commences
12:00pm	NetSetGO Clinic concludes
2:45pm	Final Rounds conclude
2:45pm	Finals Series commence
3:45pm	Finals Series concludes
4:15pm	Closing Ceremony commences
4:30pm	Closing Ceremony concludes

### 3. Opening Ceremony

- The Opening Ceremony will be held on **Sunday 1 May 2022** at SDNA prior to the commencement of the carnival.
- Teams will be encouraged to bring their Club or Grassroots Site banner/signage with them to the Opening Ceremony.

### 4. Closing Ceremony

- Presentations will take place at SDNA on **Sunday 1 May 2022** immediately following the conclusion of the last grand final time slot.

- b) All teams are encouraged to remain present after the finals and assemble for the closing ceremony.
- c) Only the winning team of each final will receive awards at the closing ceremony.

## 5. Netball WA Carnival Affiliation

- a) The Aboriginal Youth Gala Day Carnival Fee will cover players submitted via the registration process. Please note, cover is for the Aboriginal Youth Gala Day only. Players must be listed on Competition scoresheets to ensure coverage.
- b) The insurance program used by NWA is Willis Insurance. For further information:  
Website - [www.willis.com.au/netballaustralia](http://www.willis.com.au/netballaustralia)  
Phone - 1300 WILLIS (1300 945 547).  
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## 6. Protests & Complaints

- a) Should a protest or complaint relate to the competition rules and regulations of fixtured match, it must be lodged to NWA by no later than one (1) hour after the conclusion of the match.
- b) Complaints regarding behaviour, and/or breaches of Code of Conduct at a NWA competition or event against any playing or non-playing individuals whether a current financial affiliated NWA member or non-member, must be lodged on the incident report form available from the Competition or Match Offices.
- c) An incident report form needs to be lodged to NWA within 24 hours of the incident. Incident report forms may also be lodged by NWA personnel or contracted staff that believe there has been a possible breach of NWA Codes of Conduct or Behaviour, or any other NWA or Netball Australia policy or competition rules and regulations. Lodgement of the form during the competition is to be made at the SDNA Competition or Match Offices. If lodging the form outside of competition hours, please email to the NWA Competitions Coordinator Jess Crear – [jess.crear@netballwa.com.au](mailto:jess.crear@netballwa.com.au)
- d) Upon receipt, the incident report will be reviewed by member/s of the NWA Competitions Panel which may result in any of the following actions:
  - warning
  - fine
  - exclusion (from game, event or competition)
  - expulsion
  - judicial tribunal hearing



- disciplinary hearing (as per [NWA Disciplinary Policy](#))
  - management committee hearing (as per [NWA Grievance Policy](#))
  - any other penalty NWA deems appropriate.
- e) The Competition Panel consists of, but not limited to, the following NWA personnel:
- NWA General Manager – Community Netball
  - NWA Netball Operations Manager
  - NWA Competitions Coordinator
  - NWA Participation Manager
  - NWA Diversity & Inclusion Coordinator
  - Community Aboriginal Liaison Officer
- f) In the event, that any of the above members are unavailable NWA has the right to appoint another suitable representative to the panel.

## 7. Check-in on arrival

One (1) Team Official i.e., Coach or Manager from each team must check in at the Match Office (*see appendix 2*) on **Sunday 1 May 2022 at 8:00am** to collect fixture books, scoresheets, match ball and any other relevant information and distribute to all participating teams.

## 8. Photography and Videography Policy

- a) Teams must ensure parents/guardians of any underage players in any team are aware that NWA will be taking photos and potentially filming during the competition as stated on the Team Nomination form. Please utilise the waiver found on the Team Nomination form for the registration/selection process of teams.
- b) If a member of the team does NOT agree to the photography consent or they cannot have their image taken a team member is required to circle 'YES' or 'NO' on the Team Registration section of the Team Nomination form.
- c) By selecting 'NO', then this team will not be photographed/videoed at the 2021 Aboriginal Youth Gala Day.

NWA refers all teams, participants and persons attending the Aboriginal Youth Gala Day to NWA's Photography and Videography Policy with regards to the taking of images at the event. The Policy can be found on the NWA Website [NWA Photography & Videography Policy](#).

## 9. Weather Policy

In the event of inclement weather, the NWA Weather Policy will be implemented. Teams are asked to familiarise themselves with the policy and read this in conjunction with **Competition Rules and Regulations: 6. Match Disruptions, Forfeits and Delayed Starts**

The Policy can be found on the NWA Website [NWA Weather Policy](#).

## COMPETITION STRUCTURE

### 1. Competition Format

The Event will comprise of the following groups:

- 18U – Boys\*
- 18U – Girls
- 16U – Girls
- 14U – Girls
- 12U – Girls
- Suncorp NetSetGO\*

\*18U Boys and Suncorp NetSetGO is subject to number of Team Nominations. If not enough numbers to run an efficient competition, then an exhibition match will be run including those teams in whom registered their interest.

### 2. Age Eligibility

AGE GROUPS	AGE (as at 31 December in year of competition)	BIRTH YEAR
18 & Under – Boys*	18, 17	2004 & 2005
18 & Under - Girls	18, 17	2004 & 2005
16 & Under - Girls	16, 15	2006 & 2007
14 & Under - Girls	14, 13	2008 & 2009
12 & Under – Girls & Boys	12, 11	2010 & 2011

- a) Proof of age will be requested if deemed necessary.
- b) As this a participation carnival, all players must play in their specific age category during

the Aboriginal Youth Gala Day.

- c) Girls turning 10 years of age (in year of competition) are **not** permitted to play in the 12U age group unless prior approval has been sought from NWA.
- d) Requests for Girls turning 10 years of age (in year of competition) to play in the 12U Girls age group must be submitted to NWA via email to the NWA Diversity & Inclusion Coordinator Shakayla Ugle on [shakayla.ugle@netballwa.com.au](mailto:shakayla.ugle@netballwa.com.au).
- e) Teams that have extenuating circumstances in relation to any of the age eligibility rules must submit exemption requests via email to the NWA Diversity & Inclusion Coordinator Shakayla Ugle on [shakayla.ugle@netballwa.com.au](mailto:shakayla.ugle@netballwa.com.au).
- f) Closing date for age exemption requests are due COB **Wednesday 20 April 2022**. All submissions will be considered, with a decision confirmed by NWA by COB **Monday 25 April 2022**. NWA's decision will be final.

## TEAM NOMINATION

### 1. Team Entry

- a) All teams are required to complete and submit the '2022 Aboriginal Youth Gala Day Player & Official Registration Form' by the COB **Wednesday 20 April 2022**. Teams are entered via their respective Club or Team and must meet the selection criteria of their Club or Team.
- b) Players and officials do not have to be a 2022 affiliated member with NWA to nominate.
- c) A player must commit to ONE (1) team only for the duration of the competition.
- d) Club or Teams may nominate more than one (1) team into the same age-group however NWA Competition Management will implement a cap amount accordingly if deemed necessary, and their decision will be final.

### 2. Carnival Fees

All fees GST inclusive	12U to 18U
Each Representative team	\$270.00 incl. per team (1-day carnival fee)

- a) Payment details are to be submitted on the Team Nomination Form and therefore due by COB **Wednesday 20 April 2022**.
- b) NWA will complete payment transaction after this date.

## COMPETITION RULES & REGULATIONS

### a) Aboriginal Youth Gala Day Netball Rules

The 2022 Aboriginal Youth Gala Day will be played under the rules outlined in the *International Netball Federation Rules of Netball* 2020 Edition, except with the amendment in match duration (*Competition Rules and Regulations: 4. Match Duration*).

#### 1. Player & Officials Eligibility

- a) All players must be registered as team players through the team nomination form as of the closing date of the form, **Wednesday 20 April 2022**.
- b) There must be a minimum of five (5) Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander players per team on the court at any one time.
  - a. A breach of this rule will be discussed by the Competitions Management and Community Aboriginal Liaison Officer for the event.

#### 2. Team Requirements

- a) A **maximum of 12 players** per team may be registered through the team nomination form.
- b) If 12 players are registered in a team, additional players from other nominated teams or external parties are **not** permitted to attend unless due to extenuating circumstances. In these instances, please contact the NWA Diversity & Inclusion Coordinator Shakayla Ugle on [shakayla.ugle@netballwa.com.au](mailto:shakayla.ugle@netballwa.com.au).
- c) Should the Team Coordinator make any late changes to the team registration list after Team Nominations have closed, including the addition of players, they must submit these changes to NWA Diversity & Inclusion Coordinator Shakayla Ugle by COB **Monday 25 April 2022**.
- d) No further changes will be permitted after this date.

#### 3. Player Movement

- a) A player must commit to ONE (1) team and ONE (1) age division for the duration of the Carnival.

#### 4. Match Duration

- a) A match shall be played for a period of 20 minutes divided into two (2) halves, each of 10-minutes duration. The 10-minute duration for each half will be actual playing time and will not include stoppages in play.
- b) An interval shall be taken between each half as following:  
A maximum period of three minutes between the end of the first half and the beginning of the second half.

#### 5. Stoppages/Injury Time

- a) Injury time applies as per Official Rule Book (page 48):
  - The player concerned must leave the court within 30 seconds and receive any treatment off the court.
- b) Minor round matches will be centrally timed, therefore there will be **no** held time or extra time given for a stoppage due to restrictions on fixture scheduling.
- c) Stoppages/injury time will be allowed during Grand Final matches as these matches will be individually timed.
- d) In the event of a serious injury where an athlete cannot be moved (i.e., unconscious, suspected spinal, etc.) then the match office is to be notified immediately. Where possible the game will be moved.

#### 6. Match Disruptions, Forfeits and Delayed Starts

- a) Should a match be unable to commence due to the unavailability of the court for reasons beyond the control of competing teams, NWA where possible will reschedule the match.
- b) In the event of unforeseen and exceptional circumstances a match cannot be rescheduled or completed, the following shall apply:
  - o a **drawn** result will be declared if the game was stopped **prior** to, or **during** half time and each team awarded one (1) match point, with scores at that time recorded.
  - o if the game has **entered** the second half, a **win** will be awarded to the team with the highest score at the time in which the match was stopped, the winning team awarded two (2) points, with scores at that time recorded.
  - o in the event the match has **entered** the second half and score is tied at the time of the match being stopped, a **drawn** result will be declared, and each team awarded one (1) match point, with scores at that time recorded.

- c) If the game has not commenced and cannot be rescheduled, a drawn result will apply, and each team will be awarded one point.
- d) The match will be deemed a forfeit if the offending team has notified the Match office and if after five (5) minutes the team has not shown for their game.
- e) In the case of a forfeit the infringing team will be awarded zero (0) points, the non-infringing team will be awarded two (2) points.

## 7. Match Points

- a) Points will be awarded as follows:

Win	2
Loss	0
Draw	1
Won on Forfeit	2
Loss on Forfeit	0
Bye	0
Abandoned	1

## 8. Fixtures

- a) Team Nominations must be received by the specified due date to allow for fixture preparation.
- b) Fixtures will be distributed to the nominated team contact and made available via email to teams prior to the event.
- c) Where changes in fixtures occur teams shall be notified as soon as possible.

## 9. Finals

- a) At the conclusion of the minor round matches, teams will be ranked according to the number of points awarded and accumulated for a win, loss or draw etc. as outlined in Competition Points.
- b) The Grand Final games will be played after the conclusion of the minor round fixtures.
- c) Grand Final games will see the top two (2) teams of each division play-off against each other, as per the following competition format:
  - Grand Final: 1<sup>st</sup> ladder placing vs 2<sup>nd</sup> ladder placing.

- d) In the event of teams having the same level of points at the end of the minor round matches, the respective placing shall be determined using the following method:
- The goal percentages achieved by each team during the fixtured matches – highest to lowest (i.e., goals for divided by goals against multiplied by 100).
- e) To qualify to play in finals, players must be registered in the team list and have participated in a minimum of one (1) game for their team during the minor round matches of the Competition.
- This will be determined via the details entered on the scoresheet during the minor round matches.
- f) For the purpose of determining if a player has played a half, this occurs once a player has taken the court, irrespective of the amount of time the player remains on the court during that half. If the player comes off injured at any time during that half, it is still counted for both that player and any player that replaces them.
- g) Any team that does not meet the player minimum game requirements will not be eligible to play in the finals.
- h) Scoring and timing procedures are to be adhered to as per minor round matches; the first mentioned team shall collect official score card and shall provide the scorer.
- i) In the event of a draw in a finals game, there shall be a one (1) minute break, during which the umpires shall confirm with the scorer and timekeeper that the game is a draw.
- j) Positional changes may **not** be made at this time.
- k) The game shall recommence with the centre pass being taken by the team due to take the centre pass and the game shall proceed until one team has scored a two (2) goal advantage.
- l) The scorer shall alert the umpires when this has occurred.

## MATCH OFFICIALS - UMPIRES

### 1. Umpire Allocation

- a) NWA will supply all nominated teams with one (1) umpire.
- b) Umpires will officiate all of their allocated teams matches throughout the day.
- c) It is the responsibility of the umpire to be fully aware of the Rules and Regulations of the event and matches.
- d) All umpires participating will be an NWA registered and affiliated member prior to the commencement of the Aboriginal Youth Gala Day.

## TEAM OFFICIALS

### 1. Coach and Manager Criteria

- a) Each Team must nominate one (1) Coach with the OPTION of allocating one (1) Manager per team and may nominate up to one (1) Assistant Coach per Team.
- b) All Coaches and Managers are NOT required to hold or obtain a current National Coaching Accreditation.
- c) All Coaches and Managers REQUIRE a valid or current Working With Children's Check prior to the commencement of the Carnival to be eligible to coach or work with the team.
- d) For information on obtaining the Working With Children's Check please go to their website <https://workingwithchildren.wa.gov.au/employers-organisations/the-checking-process/application-process>
- e) In the event you require further information, contact NWA Diversity & Inclusion Coordinator Shakayla Ugle [shakayla.ugle@netballwa.com.au](mailto:shakayla.ugle@netballwa.com.au).

### 2. Scoring and Timing Procedures

- a) All minor round matches will be centrally timed from the Match Office.
- b) One (1) scorer must be supplied for each of the minor round matches.
- c) The first mentioned team on the fixtured match shall provide the score card (supplied during Team Check In) and a scorer for the game.
- d) Please ensure that personnel allocated to these duties are competent in the procedures.
- e) Should the initial scorer be required for another duty, an alternative scorer must be



- used immediately to avoid any discrepancies during this time frame.
- f) Umpires are to check scores at half time and at full time to ensure there are no discrepancies.
  - g) The scorer as well as a team official of the second mentioned team must record the team starting positions and any substitutional changes during the match or at half time.
  - h) The information is to be recorded on the scoresheets for the purpose of tracking player participation across the event.
  - i) Both umpires and both team captains are to sign the scorecard.
  - j) Scores on the signed scorecards will stand, no further discussion will be accepted.
  - k) The **winning team** is to return the scorecard to the score box near the Match Office immediately after each game.
  - l) Grand Final matches will be individually timed.
  - m) For Grand Final matches the first mentioned team is required to provide the score card (collect from the Match Office) and a scorer for the game.
  - n) For Grand Final matches, the second mentioned team shall provide the timekeeper and timing device (suitable timing devices must be used – not watches or phones).
  - o) **The scorer and timer must stand together** (opposite the centre circle on the side-line) throughout the Grand Final match and compare scores and time to avoid any discrepancies.
  - p) Should the initial scorer or timer be required for another duty, an alternative scorer or timer must be used immediately to avoid any discrepancies during this time frame.

## VENUE AND EVENT OPERATIONS

### 1. Amenities

Change room facilities (toilets and showers) will be available at SDNA.

### 2. Car Parking & Traffic Management

- a) NWA and SDNA will work with together to develop a comprehensive Traffic Management Plan to ensure the safe and effective movement of all participants and spectators from cars and buses to and from the venue.
- b) Limited number of parking spaces are available on site due to other sports. Large buses and coaches **WILL NOT** be permitted to park in this area.
- c) Additional information regarding how the parking and traffic management arrangements will operate will be provided in the coming weeks.

### 3. Smoke Free Event

- a) Please note the Aboriginal Youth Gala Day is a Smoke Free Event; therefore, no smoking is permitted on the grounds, in or around buildings.

### 4. Equipment

- a) All teams are to provide their own positional playing bibs.
- b) All teams are provided with a match ball.

### 5. First Aid

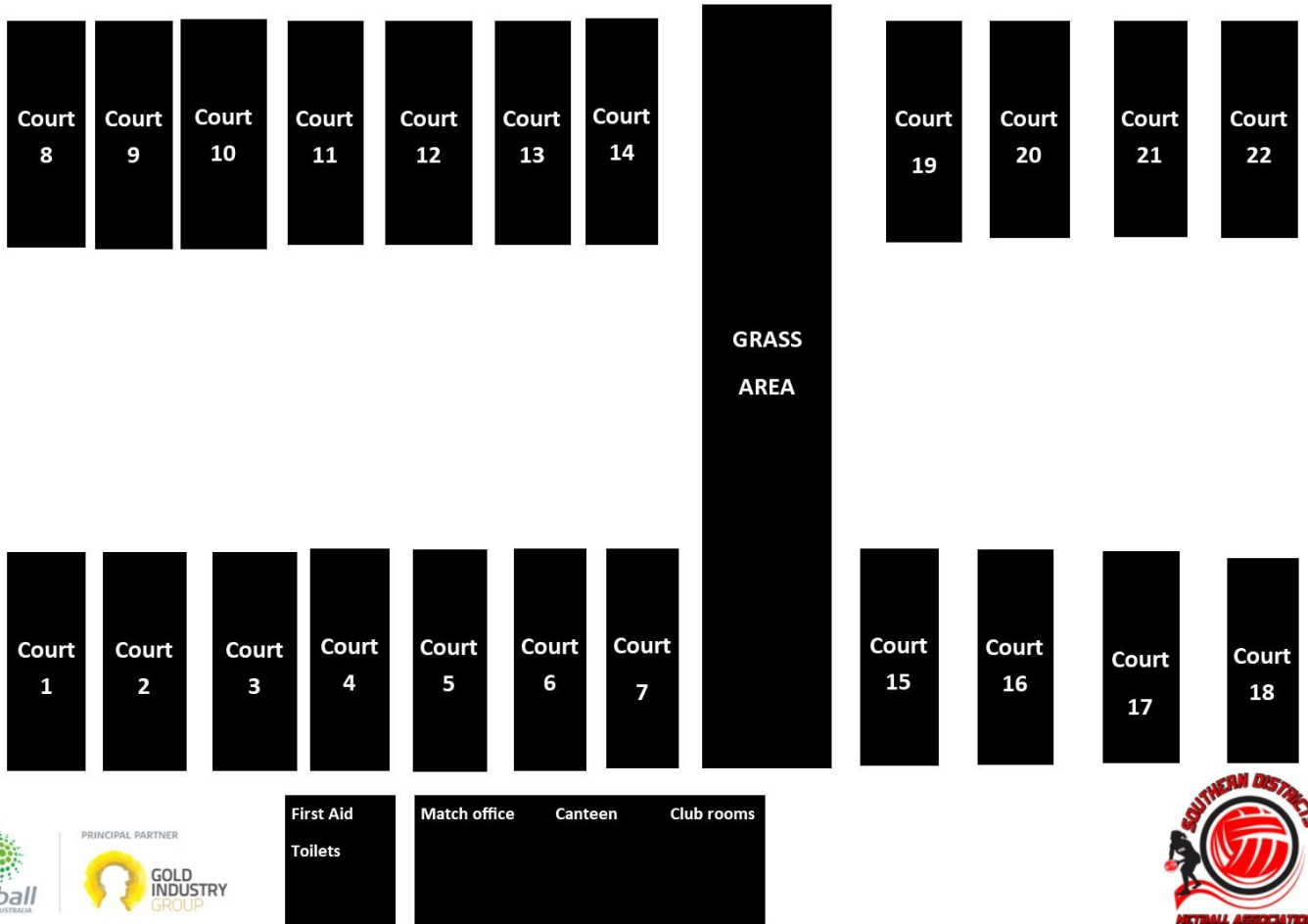
- a) First Aid services will be available at SDNA.

## APPENDICES

### Appendix 1: KEY DATES

Details	Due Date
2022 Aboriginal Youth Gala Day Competition Rules and Regulations Manual (incl fees and dates) released to Aboriginal Grassroot Sites Coordinators and broader netball community.	Monday 28 February 2022
All Team Nominations <u>open via Team Nomination Forms</u> <b>Including</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <u>Coaches and Manager Nominations</u></li> <li>- <u>Player Registrations (Squad List)</u></li> </ul>	Monday 28 February 2022
Team Nominations Close. Forms to be submitted to NWA	Wednesday 20 April 2022
Photography Opt-out selection (on nomination form) due to NWA	Wednesday 20 April 2022
Age Eligibility Exemption Requests (via email) due to NWA	Wednesday 20 April 2022
Withdrawal deadline and payment details received	Wednesday 20 April 2022
Age Eligibility Exemption Requests confirmed by NWA by	Monday 25 April 2022
Final Player changes/updates due to NWA Diversity & Inclusion Coordinator	Monday 25 April 2022
Fixtures released to Teams	Wednesday 27 April 2022

## Appendix 2: SDNA Court Map





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