

# WEST COAST FEVER

Wheatbelt Goldfields Primary School Cup

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2026 Competition Handbook



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## 2026 WEST COAST FEVER CUP – WHEATBELT GOLDFIELDS

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## Overview

### Introduction

Welcome to Netball WA (NWA) Wheatbelt Goldfields (WBGF) West Coast Fever (WCF) Primary School (PS) Cup. The one-day event is a school-based competition hosted by NWA Wheatbelt Goldfields Office for Primary School children aged 8 – 12 years.

### Purpose & Outcomes

The West Coast Fever Primary School Cup (also referred to in this handbook as WCF WBGF PS Cup) promotes participation and engages players across WA to foster their netball skills in a fun and encouraging environment. It provides opportunity:

- for children who may not ordinarily have access to the sport to sample the game
- for children to play in a fun and safe competition
- for teachers and students to coach and umpire in a safe, supportive environment
- for schools and participants to source information on Netball Associations/Clubs near them
- to raise awareness of Netball WA's elite netball team "West Coast Fever" that play in Netball Australia's Suncorp Super Netball Competition
- to raise and enhance the profile of netball in Western Australia.

## Competition and Event Information

### 1. Venue, Date & Time

**Date:** Thursday 25 June 2026

**Time:** 8:30am – 2:45pm (8:30am – 8:50am registration and pack pick up)

**Venue:** Northam Recreation Centre

**Address:** Peel Terrace, Northam, WA, 6401

### 2. Proposed Schedule

(Please note that this may be subject to change)

8:30am School teams arrive and collect your school information packs

9:00am Matches commence

2:25pm Matches conclude

2:30pm Presentations commence

2:45pm School teams depart

### 3. Age Divisions

The WCF WBGF PS Cup age divisions will consist of:

- Lower Division                      Years 3 & 4 Mixed (Girls/Boys)
- Middle Division                      Year 5 & 6 Mixed (Girls/Boys)
- Open Division                        Year 3 – 6 Mixed (Girls/Boys)

### 4. Uniforms

- a) NWA is an inclusive organisation that permits players and match officials the opportunity to select a uniform in which they feel comfortable. The position statement can be found on this link [Policies & Procedures - Netball WA](#)
- b) Teams are required to be in their school colours, so they are easily identified as a member of that team.
- c) In the event of a clash of colours, the second-mentioned team shall change their positional patches or bibs to an alternative colour. Please come to the match office if you require a set to borrow for this purpose.

### 5. Match Ball

- a) Gilbert is the official supplier of the match balls for the WCF PS Cup.
- b) A size 5 ball will be provided on each court that must be used as the match ball for all Middle Division games.
- c) A size 4 ball will be provided on each court that must be used as the match ball for all Lower Division games. The Lower Division courts will also have modified rings in place.

### 6. Bibs

All teams are to provide their own bibs. It is highly recommended that each team brings a set of 'clash bibs' in case they are playing another team with similar uniform colours

### 7. Check-in Process and Team Pack Collection

- a) One (1) representative from each school must check in at the registration and team pack collection point by 8.50am on the day.
- b) The team pack collection point and registration will be located in the Match Office above the Grandstand near Indoor Court 1.
- c) The team pack will include the following items: scoresheets and other last-minute information related to the competition. Please note you will only receive the scoresheets for the games you are required to score.

## 8. Entry, Exit and Court Map

- a) Team and spectator entry to the venue is via the main doors on the northern side of Northam Recreation Centre. As part of the facilities entry requirements, Schools must have their own attendance register, they can produce, if required.
- b) Upon arrival, teams are to move to their fixtured court for game commencement.
- c) A map of the court layout for Northam Receptions Centre venues is available in [Appendix 3 – Court Map](#) and will be displayed on the wall next to the Grandstand seating. It is the responsibility of each team to ensure that all participants understand the location of their courts for their matches. Court allocations will be provided on the fixtures that will be sent out to teams prior to the event.

## 9. Opening & Closing Ceremony

- a) There will be short announcement from the Match Office prior to the commencement of the first scheduled match. No official opening ceremony will be performed at the WCF WBGF PS Cup.
- b) Presentations will take place immediately following the conclusion of the last fixtured grand final on Court 1 at 2.30pm.
- c) Teams are asked to assemble in the grandstand area on Court 1 as quickly as possible
- d) Only the winning team of each division will receive awards at the closing ceremony.

## 10. Medical & First Aid

- a) First Aid will need to be provided by Schools in the first instance.
- b) Ice will be available from the Match Office.
- c) Only venue officials are to call for an ambulance and to advise safe entry to the venue. This is important to ensure multiple ambulances are not called for the same incident.
- d) Please note no preventative strapping will be available. NWA encourage schools to supply strapping tape for pre-existing conditions. Schools will be required to bring their own first aid kits.
- e) Please do not forget a supply of sun protection for your participants.

## 11. Warm Up & Cool Down

- a) Teams are permitted entry to the playing court area immediately following the conclusion of the previous match.
- b) On completion of the match teams are to exit the playing court, cool down period is to be completed in a separate space.

## 12. Insurance

- a) As an NWA endorsed competition the WCF WBGF PS Cup fee is inclusive of injury insurance for all players submitted via the registration process. Please note, the cover is for this competition only and players must be listed on score cards to ensure cover.

- b) NWA is covered under Netball Australia's National Insurance Policy. For further information on the National Insurer, Howden Insurance, and the coverage please go to [Netball Australia Insurance Centre | Howden Australia](#) or Phone - 1300 420 370 or Email - [netball.aus@howdengroup.com](mailto:netball.aus@howdengroup.com)
- c) If you need to contact NWA regarding a claim, please email [wbgf.membership@netballwa.com.au](mailto:wbgf.membership@netballwa.com.au) or [membershipservices.manager@netballwa.com.au](mailto:membershipservices.manager@netballwa.com.au)
- d) A copy of the Northam Recreation Centre & Netball WA's Certificate of Currency has been emailed to all participating schools.

### 13. Child Safeguarding and Working with Children

NWA is a child safe organisation. Safe and enjoyable sport are the right of every child. Keeping children and young people safe is a priority and everyone's responsibility. A component of child safeguarding is the Working with Children Checks.

Therefore, participating Schools, their volunteers, and staff, are required to abide by the *Working with Children (Screening) Act 2004 (WA)*, including:

- Participating workforce, volunteers, staff, coaches, umpires, and team officials providing valid Working with Children cards, or demonstrating a valid exemption, to their School.

It is the school's responsibility to ensure that they have the required WWC checks in place.

### 14. Photography & Videography

- a) Schools **must ensure** parents/guardians of underage participants are aware that NWA will be taking photos and potentially filming during the competition as stated on the Team Nomination form.
- b) The Photography Consent component located on the Player and Officials Registration Form must be completed by all schools for each of their teams by circling 'YES' or 'NO.' This is to be submitted alongside the Team Nomination form by the date outlined in [Appendix 1 "Key Date & Forms Schedule"](#). If this is not completed, NWA will err on the side of caution and default to a 'NO' answer.
- c) By selecting 'NO' the team will not be photographed/videoed at this Competition.
- d) **A red cone** in front of the scorer/timekeeper indicates that **NO** Photography/Videography is permitted at all on that game. **It is the responsibility** of each of the teams to bring their **own red cone** if they have persons in their team that is not permitted to be photographed/videoed and ensure that they place this in front of the scorers/timekeepers at each game.
- e) NWA refers all teams, participants and persons attending 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 [Policies & Procedures - Netball WA](#)

### 15. Weather

- a) In the event of inclement weather NWA will refer to the NWA Weather Policy [Policies & Procedures - Netball WA](#).

- b) In the event of dangerous wet weather conditions, the Event Coordinator will provide guidance of supervision of outdoor areas during thunderstorms and lightning conditions. Any suspicious activity, please advise Event Personnel immediately.
- c) Where possible and reasonable, games may be rescheduled. NWA will refer to the Competition Handbook, Rules and Regulations with regards to this, however due to the short duration of the games and competition, rescheduling of matches may not be possible.

## 16. Smoking, Vaping, Alcohol and Abuse Free Event

In-line with NWA's major partner Healthway and NWA Health Guidelines, this is a Smoke and Alcohol-Free Event. This includes vaping. No smoking, vaping, or consumption of alcohol is permitted anywhere in or around the venue.

NWA reserves the right to deny entry and/or ask any spectator/s or participant/s who is found to be aggressive and/or use verbal or physical abuse, against any NWA staff member or workforce, spectator/s or participant/s, to leave the grounds for either part of, or the duration of the Competition.

Please note that participant behaviours during a game will be dealt with under the **World Netball "Rules of Netball" 2024 edition** and managed by umpires under the appropriate game management protocols.

## 17. Sideline Behaviour

SportWest developed the **True Sport Sideline Behaviour** initiative to make sure that everyone feels safe and comfortable playing the sport they love. United to embed the principles of True Sport, SportWest (with the support of State Sporting Associations) will stand together to stamp out poor sideline behaviour in sport.

The message is simple: there is no place for poor sideline behaviour. Let us play! Share the campaign and let's build the momentum together. Information and resources can be accessed on [Sideline Behaviour Initiative- True Sport](#)

We encourage all players, teachers, coaches, umpires, and spectators to participate in the spirit of the game.

## 18. Pandemic or National/Natural Disaster

In the event of any of the following occurring:

- Pandemic
- Natural disaster
- National disaster
- State of Emergency

NWA at any point reserves the right to make alterations to this Competition, whilst abiding by any legislation, restrictions, guidelines, and/or protocols as directed by Federal, State, Local Government or National Sporting Organisation. Alterations may include but are not limited to:

- compliance requirements
- competition rules, regulations, and guidelines



- rescheduling/cancelling of dates/times
- fees/invoicing schedules
- credit/refund or fee liability

## 19. Policies & Codes of Behaviours

All participants will be bound by the relevant NWA and Netball Australia policies referenced in the Rules & Regulations along with, including but not limited to:

- NWA Working with Children Policy
- NWA Working with Children Policy (Member)
- NWA Weather Policy
- NWA Photography & Videography Policy
- Netball Australia Member Protection Policy
- Netball Australia Safeguarding Children and Young People Policy
- Netball Australia Integrity Policies
- Netball Australia General Policies

For a full list and copy of policies and guidelines visit:

- [Policies & Procedures - Netball WA](#)
- [Integrity Policies - netball.com.au](#)
- [General Policies - netball.com.au](#)

## 20. Protests & Complaints

- a) Should a protest or complaint relate to the Competition rules and regulations of a fixtured match, it must be lodged to NWA by no later than fifteen (15) minutes after the conclusion of the match.
- b) Complaints regarding behaviour, and/or breaches of code of behaviour 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 Office.
- 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 breach of NWA codes of 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 NWA Competition Office. If lodging the form outside of Competition hours, please email to [wbgf.membership@netballwa.com.au](mailto:wbgf.membership@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 match, event, or Competition)
- expulsion
- judicial tribunal hearing
- disciplinary hearing
- management committee hearing
- any other penalty NWA deems appropriate.

The Competition Panel consists of a minimum of three (3) of the following NWA personnel:

- NWA General Manager – Community Netball
  - NWA Stakeholder & Operations Manager
  - NWA Membership Services Manager (also Competition Coordinator)
  - NWA Participation Manager
  - NWA Governance & Compliance Coordinator
- e) In the event, that any of the above members are unavailable NWA has the right to appoint another suitable representative to the panel.

## 21. Competition Coordinator

- a) The Competition Coordinator/s shall be responsible for the functioning of all matches.
- b) The Competition Coordinator/s will be the main point of contact for all teams on the day should additional information or clarification on rules and regulations be required.
- c) The Competition Coordinator/s is empowered to cancel any matches deemed unsafe in consultation with Umpires and the General Manager – Community.
- d) Any protest or complaints relating to the WCF WBGF PS Cup lodged with the Competitions Coordinator/s will be dealt with as per the 'Protests and Complaints' section of this handbook.

## 22. Amenities

Toilet facilities are located opposite court 1. Toilets are cleaned regularly by Northam Recreation Centre staff, please report any issues to the reception desk.

## 23. Venue Canteen Operation

Participants are required to bring their own food requirements. There is no official lunch break, however students have 30 mins between games. Water bottle filling stations are available throughout the venue.

## 24. Car Parking & Traffic Management

- a) The Northam Recreation precinct has a parking plan and entry points for buses, please refer to [Appendix 2 – Parking and Drop Off Zones](#)
- b) Overflow parking for vehicles is available on the gravel area, west side to Jubilee Oval.

## 25. Venue Clean Up

- Venue pack-down and clean-up will commence immediately following the conclusion of the last match.
- NWA encourage all participants and spectators to respect the venue and ensure that they place all rubbish in the bins around the venue.
- If you find a full/overflowing bin, please report it to the Northam Recreation Centre reception desk

## 26. Lost Property

All lost property can be handed into or claimed from the Northam Recreation Centre reception desk.

## 27. Emergency Management

In an event of an emergency, games must be stopped immediately, and Coaches/Teachers must assemble the team and calmly exit the building to the emergency assembly areas. Please refer to [Appendix 4 – Evacuation Diagram](#).

Once assembled in the Emergency Assembly Area- Teachers in Charge for each school must then conduct a roll call to account for everyone and advise the NWA Event Coordinator who will advise the management of the Northam Recreation Centre. An evacuation plan with exit points is attached. Please familiarise yourself with this in the event of an emergency.

## Competition Structure & Team Nomination

### 28. Age Divisions & Eligibility

The WCF WBGF PS Cup will comprise of the following Age Divisions:

- Lower Division                      Year 3 & 4 Mixed (Girls/Boys)
- Middle Division                      Year 5 & 6 Mixed (Girls/Boys)
- Open Division                      Year 3 – 6 Mixed (Girls/Boys)

Age Division	Age (as per school year)	Eligibility
Lower Division	8, 9, 10	Mixed (Female & Male participants)
Middle Division	10, 11, 12	Mixed (Female & Male participants)
Open Division	8 to 12	Mixed (Female & Male participants)

- Proof of age will be requested if deemed necessary.
- All players must play in their specific age category during the WCF WBGF PS Cup.
- Teams are not permitted to play a player down an age group during the WCF WBGF PS Cup.

- d) Any team playing an ineligible player will be **penalised two (2) points for each game where there was an ineligible player**. An ineligible player is considered any player breaching the above processes and/or a player not named on a scoresheet.
- e) Teams will be graded according to their age eligibility, unless otherwise determined by the NWA WBGF Office.
- f) In the mixed division, there are no restrictions to the number of any gender on the court at any given time.

## 29. Team Entry & Player Registration

- a) Teams are entered via their respective Schools.
- b) Players and officials do **not** have to be affiliated with NWA.
- c) To enter Teams must have a minimum of seven (7) players a coach and manager.
- d) Players may not be registered in multiple teams.
- e) Schools may nominate more than one (1) team into the same age-group however the Competition Coordinator may implement a cap amount accordingly if deemed necessary, and their decision will be final.
- f) All teams are required to register via the supplied PlayHQ link and complete the **“Player & Official Registration Form.”** by the closing dates outlined in [Appendix 1 “Key Date & Forms Schedule”](#)
- g) Where room is available a late team entry may be accepted at the discretion of NWA.
- h) NWA will only accept completed **“Team Nomination - Player & Officials Registration Forms.”**

## 30. Player and Team Eligibility

- a) A maximum of twelve (12) players per team may be registered through the Team Nomination – Player and Officials Registration Form.
- b) All players must be registered in a team through the Team Nomination – Player and Officials Registration Form as of the closing date outlined in [Appendix 1 “Key Date & Forms Schedule”](#)
- c) Only those listed on the Team Nomination – Player and Officials Registration Form can play for that team (unless prior changes have been approved by NWA).
- d) As it is a community participation carnival, NWA encourages all coaches to give all players fair court time over the duration of the WCF WBGF PS Cup.
- e) Should the team need to make any changes after the Players and Officials registration Form has been submitted, please email [wbgf.membership@netballwa.com.au](mailto:wbgf.membership@netballwa.com.au)

## 31. Competition Grading & Fixtures

- a) Team nominations must be received by the specified due date to allow for fixture preparation.
- b) Schools are to select their Teams appropriate age division.
- c) The grading of teams will be determined by the Competitions Coordinator/s.
- d) NWA makes the final decisions on grading and no further correspondence will be entered.

- e) Fixtures will be distributed to the nominated contact and sent to Schools Coordinator via email prior to the event.
- f) Fixtures will be on PlayHQ, and a link will be provided.
- g) Fixtures and ladders will be appropriately adjusted by the discretion of NWA for any team who is withdrawn from the competition by choice or by expulsion.
- h) If a team withdraws from the competition prior to the fixtures being finalised, the fixtures will be reconstructed.
- i) If a team withdraws from the competition after the fixtures have been finalised and released to all participating schools, it may mean a bye in that pool.
- j) Where changes in fixtures occur teams shall be notified as soon as possible.

### 32. Player Movement

- a) If twelve (12) players are listed on the team list, no additional players can play for that team unless they are replacing an already listed player as per the replacement/additional player form and has been approved by the NWA Event Coordinators.
- b) If less than twelve (12) players are registered, players may play up from lower age group/division providing the number does not exceed twelve (12) players.
- c) To qualify for finals, a player must have played in three games for the School; they will be qualified for the division they played the most amount of games in.
- d) A player may play in more than one Final providing they are going up into a higher age group/division.
- e) Schools may grade a player in a team up to one (1) age group higher than their current age group.
- f) Players are permitted to play up three times, on the fourth occasion they are deemed a member of the highest team they played up for and can no longer play in the team they were initially nominated.
- g) Schools are not permitted to play a player across multiple teams in the same pool and/or division.
- h) Schools are not permitted to play a player down during the WCF WBGF PS Cup.

### 33. Team Fees

Age Group	Age Group Fee Structure
All Age Groups	\$80.00 GST inc. <b>per</b> team

- a) NWA will invoice each participating team for their Team Fee.
- b) NWA will complete invoicing and payment transactions of team fees by the dates outlined in [Appendix 1 “Key Date & Forms Schedule”](#).
- c) Team fees must be paid by the date outlined in [Appendix 1 “Key Date & Forms Schedule”](#) to be eligible to play in the WCF WBGF PS Cup.
- d) The WCF WBGF PS Cup team fees contribute towards the following:

- Awards & trophies
- Venue hire, court hire and venue operations
- 1 x match ball per court
- Injury insurance for player, coaches, and team officials

## Rules & Regulations

### 34. Competition Format

- a) Teams will play all teams in their division within a round robin format.
- b) Bye rounds may be required if divisions have an uneven number of teams.
- c) The Lower Division courts will have modified goal post height in place.

### 35. Match Duration

- a) Games will commence every 30 minutes. With the first game scheduled to commence at 9:00am.
- b) All fixtured matches shall be for a period of 25 minutes divided into two (2) halves, each of twelve (12) minute duration, with a one (1) minute interval between the two (2) halves.
- c) There will be five (5) minutes between the commencement of fixtured games.
- d) Teams shall be required to take the court when requested to do so by the umpires at the start of the scheduled match and at intervals.
- e) All games will be centrally timed and are to commence and end on the central timing system. Any teams arriving late, must take the court immediately and complete the remaining time available.
- f) A PA announcement and siren will indicate the commencement of the match as well as stoppages for the half time break and the end of the match – The Umpire’s whistle will start and end each half.

### 36. Stoppages/Injury Time

- a) Injury time applies as per the Official Rule Book:
  - *The player concerned must leave the court within 30 seconds and receive any treatment off the court.*
- b) As matches will be centrally timed, no extra time will be given for a stoppage during the fixtured game.
- c) In the event of a severe injury where an athlete cannot be moved (i.e. unconscious, suspected spinal, etc.) NWA Staff or the match office is to be notified immediately. Where possible the game will be moved.

### 37. Competition Rules

- a) Rules for the Competition shall be dictated by the [World Netball "Rules of Netball" 2024 edition](#), unless otherwise stated in this manual.
- b) NWA reserves the right at any time to change or update the competition rules to manage specific unplanned situations not otherwise captured in the competition rules, or other documents as required.

- c) NWA encourages coaches to endeavour to give all players, particularly juniors, fair court time over the duration of the carnival as it is a community participation carnival.
- d) There must be a minimum of five (5) players per team on the court for the game to commence.
- e) Injury time and blood policy applies as per the World Netball “Rules of Netball” 2024 edition (*Rule 10 - Stoppages*). The player concerned must leave the court within 30 seconds and receive any treatment off the court.
- f) Umpires will signal the injury stoppage time however time will **not** be held, and no extra time will be given for a stoppage during all matches played.
- g) The Tactical Substitution Rule will **not** be permitted in this competition.
- h) This competition will implement the **Rolling Substitutions** rule. The below information outlines the procedure that will be followed when implementing rolling substitutions.
  - Teams are allowed to make substitutions during play, this includes during stoppages and intervals.
  - Only one (1) rolling substitution per team can be made at a time to ensure a minimum number of players (5) is on the court at all times.
  - Play will not be stopped for rolling substitutions nor the clock stopped (umpires do not need to be notified if a player wishes to complete a substitution).
  - Both teams are to be located on the same side of the court either side of the Scorer/Timer.
- i) The substitution area will be clearly identified:
  - the player will stand in their team substitution area (red cone/marker) to indicate that a substitution is to be made.
- j) Players can only enter play once the substitution player has completely exited the court.
  - before the player moving onto the court leaves the substitution area, the player leaving the court must tag the player rolling onto the court.
- k) Players must observe the offside rule as they enter/leave the court in permitted areas for their position.
  - if a player entering or leaving the court enters an area not designated for their playing position, a sanction will be awarded by umpires whether that player is in contact with the ball or not.
- l) Players must not interfere with the umpires’ movement during the substitution, or a sanction will be awarded.
- m) A player leaving the court must return directly to their team area/bench.
- n) Players cannot change positions whilst on the court. Any changes to positions require a player to roll off and return to the court in the desired position with correct bib on.
- o) Delaying Play - should a team delay play whilst making a substitution a sanction will be awarded. The normal sanction for Delaying play will apply. **Example:** substituting a Centre player between the scoring of a goal and the taking of next centre pass. This needs to be done quickly to not delay play especially if the Centre player rolling on will be taking the next Centre pass.
- p) Players are not permitted to switch between teams unless in exceptional circumstances and approved by the NWA Competition Coordinator/s.

[Penalty: Loss of two (2) Competition points to the offending team – goals for and against shall remain as scored for both teams].

- q) A team will be deemed to have played an ineligible player if:
- There is a breach of any of the rules outlined in his manual pertaining to player, team eligibilities or processes, and /or
  - The player is not recorded on the scorecard prior to the commencement of the match.

[Penalty: Loss of two (2) Competition points to the offending team – goals for and against shall remain as scored for both teams].

- r) A player may not participate in two (2) matches occurring at the same time. i.e., cannot play for team they are registered to and fill in for another team playing at the same time. If a player takes the court for two (2) matches being played at the same time, both offending teams shall be penalised.

[Penalty: Loss of two (2) Competition points to both offending teams – goals for and against shall remain as scored for both matches]

### 38. Match Forfeiture and Delayed Starts

- a) In the event of inclement weather NWA will refer to the NWA Weather Policy. Games will continue unless the conditions are deemed unsafe, in which case the NWA Competitions Coordinator will make an announcement advising if games are being cancelled, rescheduled, or postponed with reduced minutes applied per game.
- b) Should a match be unable to commence due to reasons beyond the control of competing teams, NWA where possible will reschedule the match.
- c) A minimum of five (5) players per team are required to take the court for the game to commence.
- d) At the time scheduled for the commencement of a match, if fewer than five (5) players are present for either or both of the competing teams, a maximum period of five (5) minutes shall be allowed for at least five (5) players of a team to arrive. For every minute that the team is not ready to play during the 0.00 – 4:59 minutes after the scheduled commencement of the match, the non-infringing team is awarded one (1) goal per minute (up to four goals).
- e) If, at the end of this time (5 min from the start of the scheduled match time), there are fewer than five (5) players present for one team, the offending team shall forfeit the match.
- A team shall forfeit a match in the following circumstances:
  - If the team advises the Match Office of its intention to forfeit.
  - If fewer than five (5) players in either competing team are ready to commence play five (5) minutes after the scheduled match commencement time.
- f) Any team forfeiting a match for any reason shall have the following penalty:
- [Penalty: the infringing team will be awarded zero points; the non-infringing team will be awarded two competition points and all players on the non-infringing team are awarded one game towards meeting minimum game qualification. Goal scoring will be awarded as 5-0.]
- g) If a forfeit is announced, teams can still play on from this point, however, umpires must record the game as a forfeit on the scorecard and indicate which team shall receive the two points.
- h) In the event of unforeseen and exceptional circumstances a match cannot be rescheduled or completed, without a team's fault, the following shall apply:

- a. 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.
- b. 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.
- c. 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.
- d. If the game has not commenced and cannot be rescheduled, a drawn result will apply, and each team will be awarded one point.

### 39. Competition Points, Results & Ladder

Points will be awarded as follows:

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

The Competition Coordinator will be responsible for ensuring the competition results and ladders are uploaded on to PlayHQ.

### 40. Finals

- a) At the conclusion of the 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) To qualify to play in finals, players must have participated in a minimum of three games for their School during the Cup (it is not necessary that the three games be played in a single age division).
- c) The first mentioned team shall collect official score card from the Match Office for finals and shall provide the scorer. The second-mentioned team shall provide the assistant scorer.
- d) In the event of a draw in a finals game, there shall be a one-minute break, during which time the umpires shall confirm with the scorer and timekeeper that the game is a draw.
  - a. Teams shall remain in their positions while the scorecard is checked
  - b. Positional changes may be made at this time as per the rolling substitution rule

- c. 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-goal advantage
- d. The scorer shall alert the umpires when this has occurred
- e) In the event of teams having the same level of points at the end of the minor round fixtures, 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).

#### 41. Scoring & Timing Procedures

- a) All matches will be centrally timed from the match office.
- b) A siren will indicate the commencement of the match as well as stoppages for the half time break and the end of the match.
- c) Timing will not be delayed if teams are not ready to take the court. Match times will commence as per the time on the fixtures.
- d) One (1) scorer must be supplied by each team for each match.
- e) The first mentioned team shall provide the score card (supplied in team packs) and a scorer (scorer 1) for that match and the second mentioned team shall provide the 2<sup>nd</sup> scorer (scorer 2) to assist scorer 1.
- f) Scorer 1 & scorer 2 must stand together (opposite the centre circle on the side-line) throughout the match to avoid any score discrepancies.
- g) Please ensure that personnel allocated to these duties are competent in the procedures.
- h) Should the initial scorer be required for another duty, an alternative scorer must be used immediately to avoid any discrepancies during this time.
- i) Team lists on the scorecard shall list up to twelve (12) players.
- j) For records and insurance purposes, the names of participating players **must** be recorded on each scorecard **prior** to the commencement of the corresponding game.
- k) Player additions after the commencement of the match are **not** permitted. If a name is added after the commencement of the game the following penalty applies:  
[Penalty: forfeiture of the match, – goals for and against shall remain as scored for both teams]
- l) The scorers are responsible for recording the team changes and recording which players played. Managers are to assist/notify the scorer of any substitutions/positional changes made at half time so the changes can be recorded on the scorecard. All players shall have the FIRST position they played in each half recorded on the scorecard.
- m) Scores are to be recorded in the **Progressive Score** area of the scorecard. At the end of both halves, the scorer is to place a circle around the last goal scored for that half against each of the teams. That number of goals is then recorded in the H1 & H2 area respectively, with both the H1 & H2 adding up to the total number of goals scored.

Example below.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40
41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60
61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80
H1	12	H2	14	T	26	H1	11	H2	3	T	14																												

- Umpires, the scorer and both team captains are to sign the scorecard.
- The Scorecards will reflect the official result of the game. Scores on the signed scorecards will stand.
- The **winning team** is to return the scorecard to the score box in the Match Office immediately after each game.
- If the scorecard is deemed incomplete, not completed on the official card, or is not returned to the match office, the match will be declared a draw, with a score 10-10 recorded.
- The official scorecard for FINALS is to be collected from the Match Office.

## 42. Coach & Manager Criteria

- Each Teams 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.
- Teams are to submit the names and details of their Coach and Manager on the Team Nomination Form.
- Coaches and Managers are **not** required to hold or obtain a current National Coaching Accreditation.
- Unless an exemption applies Coaches and Managers require a valid Working with Children's Check Card prior to the commencement of the carnival to be eligible to coach or work with the team (this is the school's responsibility to manage)

## 43. Umpires

- All teams, in all divisions, must supply a competent umpire who will umpire their own team's games throughout the WCF WBGF PS Cup.
- NWA reserves the right to reallocate umpires to other games if they deem it necessary.
- As all games will be centrally timed, umpires are to commence and finish games on the central timer.
- It is the responsibility of the umpire to be fully aware of the Netball rules and the Competition rules and regulations.
- Both umpires must sign the scorecard at the end of the game.
- Umpires must be ready to commence matches at the specified fixture time.
- The decisions of the umpires shall be final and shall be given without appeal.
- During an interval, clarification of any Rule may be sought from the umpires by the captain and/or any other player concerned.
- If there are any queries regarding umpiring matters during a match, please go to the Match Office where staff will call for a supervisor before the match ends.

- j) Umpires must be dressed in appropriate attire with the correct sports shoes. (Please refer to the NWA Uniform Guidelines)
- k) **Unless an exemption applies** umpires require a valid Working with Children Check. (This is the school's responsibility to manage)

## Appendices

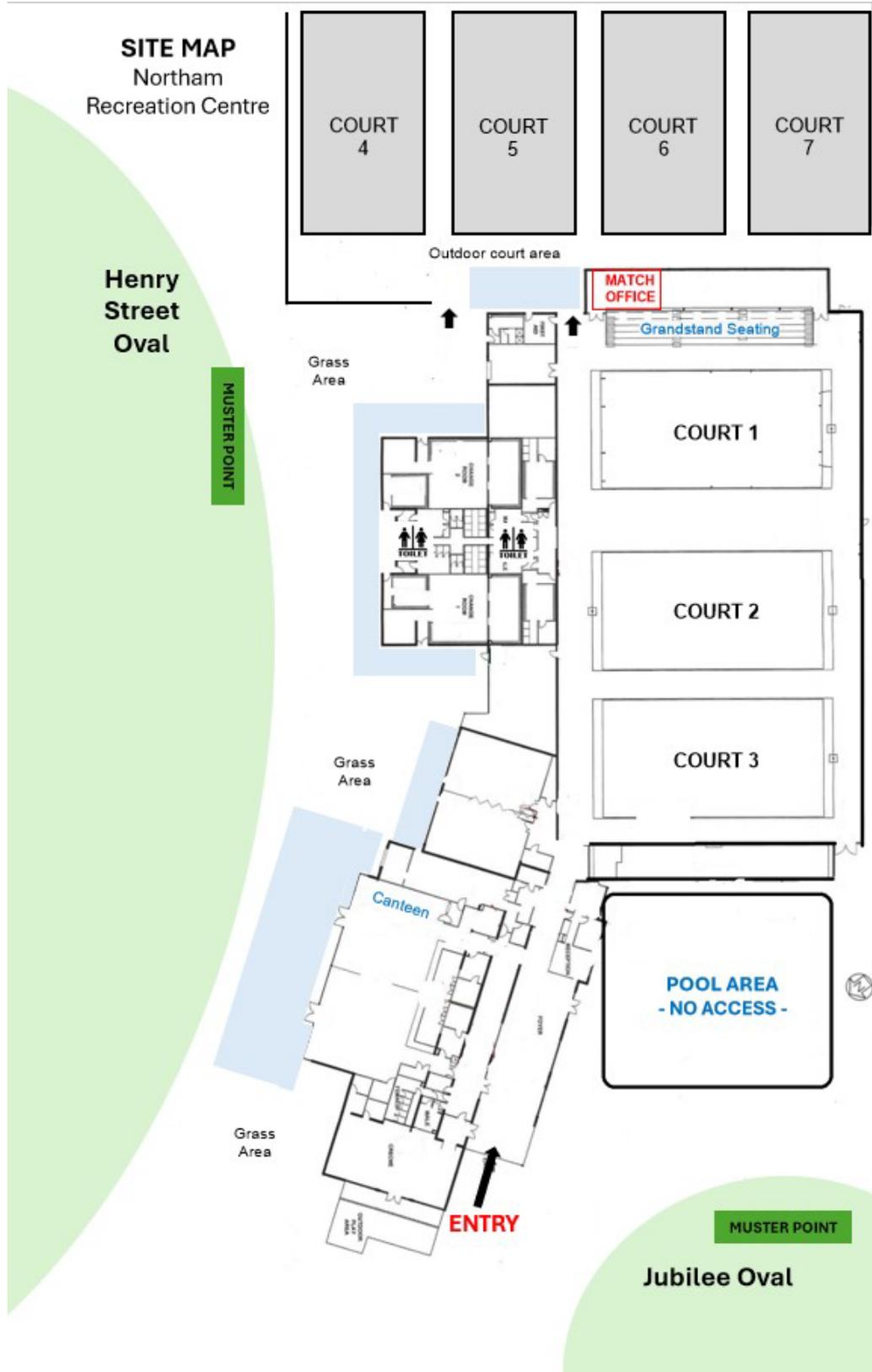
### Appendix 1 – Key Dates & Forms Schedule

Details	Due Date
<b>Team Nominations Open</b> <i>To be completed on PlayHQ via link provided</i>	Monday 28 April
<b>Team Nominations Close</b>	Friday 29 May
<b>Invoicing - Team Fees</b>	Tuesday 3 June
<b>Fixtures released and available on Play HQ</b>	Friday 12 June
<b>Player &amp; Officials Registration Forms</b> <i>Individual players, coach and manager registered into their team list, including photo permissions</i>	Friday 19 June
<b>West Coast Fever, Wheatbelt Goldfields Primary School Cup</b>	Thursday 25 June

## Appendix 2 – Parking Map & Drop Off Zones



**Appendix 3 – Court Plan**



# Appendix 4 – Evacuation Plan

## NORTHAM RECREATION CENTRE EVACUATION DIAGRAM

