

## **General Guidelines & Information**

**CAR PARKING** Please park on the large school car park. DO NOT PARK in the side road(Gordon Avenue), as this has caused problems for local residents.

**COMMITTEE** The Walsall & District Netball League Committee is on hand to give support and advice. If you have a query or need help with anything we will try to help.

If anyone is interested in joining or helping the Committee, you will be very welcome!

### **DOGS**

In the interests of public safety and health, dogs are NOT ALLOWED on the school site.

### **ENGLAND NETBALL MEMBERSHIP**(formerly Affiliation)

Membership to **England Netball** is valid from 1st September to the following 31st August and are administered via County Associations as therein. ALL players must provide proof of current membership before playing their first match.

### **Match TIMING**

Timing for all League matches will be as follows: Saturday matches 4 x 15 minute quarters – intervals to be 2 minutes at quarter and three-quarter time with 3 minutes at half time.

Midweek matches 4 x 10 minute quarters – intervals to be 1 minute at quarter and three-quarter time with 2 minutes at half time.

**PLAYERS' UNIFORMS** Your kit is a registered playing uniform; as such the whole team should be uniform i.e. wearing the same kit in the same colours. It is noticeable if even one player wears a different item of kit. Whilst we appreciate that in our climate we need protection, If leggings or base layers/"skins" are worn these should be the same colour throughout the team. (See EN Rule 5.1.1.)

### **JEWELLERY & MEDIC BRACELETS (England Netball Directives)**

All jewellery must be removed A wedding ring must be taped, if worn. Players wearing jewellery should not be allowed Only a medic alert bracelet may be worn on court The bracelet must be secured in such a manner that it will not constitute a danger.

**SCARVES** If these need to be worn because of religious practices, the player with the coach should ensure that the material used for the head covering is soft without any embellishments which might constitute a danger and with potential flowing/flapping edges held securely around the neck or tucked in the shirt collar. It should be as neat and secure as possible. Hats may NOT be worn by on court players.

### **POSTPONEMENTS**

In the event of inclement/severe weather, the Chairman and Vice-

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Chairman will liaise and decide whether it is necessary to postpone by 4:30pm on the Monday for Midweek Section Matches. For **Saturday** Section **matches** the Chairman and Vice-Chairman will liaise and decide whether it is necessary to postpone by 09:30hrs on the relevant Saturday. Please make sure your players know that if a fixture is postponed by the League a new date may have to be arranged. The League will reschedule matches should it be necessary to call off matches due to inclement weather. A member of the League Committee will notify the relevant teams of any rescheduled/or postponed matches.

Please acknowledge any such communications.

**PLEASE DO NOT CONTACT THE SCHOOL.** - They will not have the answer.

## **REGISTRATIONS**

A Players' Registration Form is provided for the new season. It is essential that a **minimum of seven (7) players** are recorded on this form and it is completed **before** you play a match. The team Registration Form together with the players' full names players' and EN Membership N<sup>Os</sup>.

A match card is provided. Make sure you use the the correct card and it is completed in **legible** BLOCK CAPITALS. Put all the players' First name written in full (NO INITIALS). Once registered; **if** a player's **details change** i.e. title, name, let the Match and Registration Secretary know

## **REPORT BOOK**

The Report Book is available at the signing-in desk. The report book may also be used to record any comments you wish to make known to the Committee. Alternatively an email can be sent to the Chairman. This is reviewed regularly. All comments are discussed and noted at each Committee meeting.

Please record any details of injury sustained in a game. You might find this useful back up for insurance claim purposes.

## **RESERVE WEEKS**

The Midweek Reserve Dates are Monday 28<sup>th</sup> March and Monday 4<sup>th</sup> April, 2022. The Saturday Section has one Reserve Date: 9<sup>th</sup> April 2022. This will mean that the League will be relying on the co-operation of clubs in fulfilling fixtures should it be necessary to have reserve dates that were not in the original fixture schedule. These may have to be played.

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The League will always try and persuade teams to play matches in line with the fixture schedule. Should a situation arise where a team is unable to play then, subject to the matter being addressed through Committee, the "offending team" will be liable to pay double the match costs.

**SMOKING:** including e-cigs and vape pens is NOT ALLOWED anywhere on the School site.

**UMPIRES** A number of teams have indicated on their entry forms that they use the same umpires as other teams. Please ensure that you regularly check the availability of this umpire before you nominate him/her

CONSULT with the UMPIRE as to their availability before you write their name down on the Nomination Sheet.

DO NOT write down an umpire whose name is already on the Nomination Sheet

### **WEBSITE**

The website will improve our communication with members. You should find it useful. Log onto: <https://www.walsall-netball-league.co.uk/>. The website is updated by an outside source. Occasionally this is not updated immediately (i.e. by midnight of the match day/night). Please therefore rely on emails, League notice board.