



Riverlands Netball Club By-Laws 2024

In conjunction with Penrith District Netball Association By-laws, Constitution & Member Protection Policy and Riverlands Social Media Policy

1. When Riverlands fields more than one(1) team in any age group or grade all affected players will be placed in the team which best suits their playing ability, dedication & commitment.
2. At the discretion of Riverlands, all players can play up an age group as per PDNA by-laws, only if their own age group has enough players to fill a team without them and a player in a higher age group does not miss out on a place in a team because of a younger player playing in this team.
3. All players shall be given the opportunity to take the court each week. Semi-finals, Finals, & Grand Finals playing roster will be at the discretion of the coach.
4. If a player is unable to attend a match for any reason they must notify their coach/manager at the earliest reasonable time before the start of the day of the match.
5. Players are expected to attend training sessions each week. If they are unable to attend they **must** notify the coach/manager as soon as possible prior to training commencing.
6. If a player fails to attend training, without suitable notification or reason they may be reserve at the coaches discretion.
7. Teams training day & time is decided on by the coach/manager in consultation with all team members respectively, with a majority rule applying to the time and day set for the team training day.
8. Once a player is registered with PDNA no registration money will be refunded.
9. All team equipment is the responsibility of the team coach & must be returned at the conclusion of each season.
10. Every financial player will receive recognition for playing with Riverlands each winter season.
11. A congratulatory memento is given to any Riverlands player chosen in a Penrith Association representative team or squad.
12. At the conclusion of each season umpires will receive a token of thank you depending on the amount of games umpired throughout the season.
13. All teams 15 years onward must contain at least 1 umpire willing to umpire each week. Teams 15 years onward not providing an umpire will be required to pay an additional \$30.00 a season (\$15 in Night Comp.) per player, umpiring fee however, players in any such team are required to pass the umpires exam online in that year. Registration can be refused if a team does not contain an umpire.
15. If any umpire fails to fulfil any agreed commitment they will be responsible for payment of any PDNA fine incurred by them. Umpiring fines by PDNA are as follows:
 - a) Failure to provide umpire as per draw including spare umpire \$30 each offence for the first 5 offences
 - b) Failure to provide umpire as per draw including spare umpire \$40 each offence after the first 5 offences
 - c) Use of unqualified umpire \$20
 - d) Accumulation of five umpiring fines (a and c above) \$100
 - e) Accumulation of 10 umpiring fines (a, b and c above) \$200
 - f) Failure to provide appropriate number of qualified umpires for finals series \$100
 - g) Failure to sign scoresheet \$10
 - h) Incorrect uniform \$20

16. Fines from PDNA incurred by any team for forfeiting, scoresheet errors, failing to return scoreboards or protector posts or for defaulting after grading, are to be paid by the team concerned. Payment must be received before they can be re registered in any subsequent competition. Team fines for the above mentioned by PDNA are as follows:

- a) First forfeit
 - i. Notified by the prescribed time as per 18.7 of ByLaws NIL
 - ii. Un-notified or notified after the prescribed time as per 18.7 of ByLaws \$20
- b) Second forfeit, notified or un-notified \$30
- c) All subsequent forfeits, notified or un-notified, Increased each time by increments of \$10
- d) Failure to return Protector-Posts \$20
- e) Failure to record name, team and/or grade of borrowed player \$10 (and loss of team points)
- f) Failure to return scoreboard \$5
- g) Team defaulting after grading \$100

17. Fines from PDNA incurred by any team due to failure to do any rostered duties are to be paid by the team concerned. Payment must be received before they can be re registered in any subsequent competition. Every effort will be made to ensure every team is aware of all Riverlands duties, ignorance is no excuse. Fine by PDNA for failure to perform rostered duties is \$20 per person, per hour or part thereof.

18. Teams failing to fulfil any team/club commitment or duty can be charged an additional fee to register with Riverlands the following year.

19. Each player is offered to participate or contribute to fundraising throughout the season, as this contributes to end of year presentations. All fundraisers held during the season are optional.

20. Registration can be refused to any team or player/member if they do not fulfil their Rostered Duties or if they break any by-law or policy mentioned herein.

21. Players, spectators, coaches, parents & officials **must** abide by PDNA's Code of Conduct. Sports Rage will not be tolerated in any form. PDNA will issue fines for breaching their Code of Conduct to the club and these will be passed on to the offender for payment. The maximum fine for breaching their Code of Conduct is \$200 per breach.

22. Registration will be refused for any player/member or relative of a player/member, who represents Riverlands in a derogatory or negative manner which causes embarrassment or injury to any other player, member or spectator either physically, verbally or on social media.

Please Remember..

1. These are KIDS
2. This is a GAME
3. The Coaches are VOLUNTEERS
4. The Umpires are HUMAN
5. This is NOT the national Suncorp Super Netball