



EVENING COMPETITION GUIDELINES

**Welcome to Frankston District Netball Association.
Thank you for your team entry.**

We thank Team Captains' for the work in coordinating teams' admin and communication with the Association.

In order to support a welcoming environment, we provide this guide to indoor competitions.

Please take the time to familiarise yourself with these guidelines & discuss any concerns or queries with our Team.

MEMBERSHIP

Current Netball Victoria Membership is a condition of playing in any FDNA competition. ALL Players, Coaches, Umpires and Officials in Victoria are required to pay an annual membership fee which includes an insurance component to be eligible to take the court.

UNIFORM = UNIFORMITY (ALL THE SAME COLOR/TEAM IDENTITY)

Please read and comply with the Uniform Policy which can be viewed here: [Policies – Frankston District Netball Association](#)

- All uniforms shall be of an acceptable (not revealing) standard.
- Shorts must be of sporting style with no zips or pockets.
- Gloves are NOT permitted (without pre-approved medical certificate)
- Long nails shall be PADDED with cotton wool before taping.
- All body jewellery shall be removed or padded and taped.

Repeated breaches any of these rules may result in you not being permitted to take the court.

GAME TIMES AND GRADING

Please note that game times will generally be shared amongst all teams.

ALL Teams will be fixtured for a fair number of late games.

Teams are welcome to request to move late games outside: requests MUST be made a week prior. Speak to the Venue Supervisor on your game night and organise while both teams are here.

Most Evening games are 4 x 9-minute quarters with 2-minute break at the half time interval and 8 minutes between each game. Monday Night games 4 x 12-minute quarters with a 2-minute half time and 1-minute quarter breaks.

IMPORTANT: Players may play only ONE game on any one day in the competition entered (Sunday Mixed is the only exception to this). A BYE game constitutes playing a match.

Your Team Captain will be notified of you first game time by Netball Connect notification. Please include your team's name in all communications. Team Fixtures can be accessed via the [Netball Connect app](#).

The Association has the right to regrade teams at any time. Grading is usually assessed after 4 rounds of a new season and factors in a range of complex considerations. Concerns or feedback can be emailed to competitions@fdna.com.au.

Finals dates and times are usually set at the start of a season and may be subject to change.



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FORFEITS/WITHDRAWALS

There are alternatives to forfeiting your match, please like our Facebook page "Frankston & District Netball Association (Jubilee Park)" and join our group "FDNA Netball Players needed" if you require fill-in or replacement players. Please post requests directly to the page.

The penalty incurred by the team not playing is double court fees if notified within 24hours. For Sunday Evening Competition, a forfeit must be notified by no later than 5.00pm on the Friday prior to the forfeited match to be considered a notified forfeit. The team not forfeiting receives 4 points with a score of 10 goals to nil.

If a team withdraws from the competition, there is a \$155 withdrawal fee plus the associated forfeit fee. The withdrawal fee contributes to the administrative costs of adjusting fixtures.

No team member will be eligible to play in ANY FDNA competition unless all fees and fines are paid in full or alternate payment arrangements have been made.

We will offer a scratch match wherever possible, to provide as many participation opportunities as possible. Any scratch match played must be paid for. A scratch match incurs Umpire, Staff and Venue expenses. Raise any queries with our Staff prior to your game. We will ensure we advise you if a game is considered to be a scratch match.

TEAM CAPTAINS

Team Captains are responsible for conduct of Team Members and Spectators including children. Every child must be supervised by a Non-Playing Adult. Failure to comply, may result in one player being removed from the court to supervise each child. This ensures the safety of children, players and umpires.

In line with our FDNA By-Law 9.4 all players must be a minimum age of 15years to compete in any Open competition. A team who breaches the By-laws will be subject to a penalty of the loss of four points (4) and/or a fine.

All Court fees, fines and forfeit monies must be paid prior to taking the court.

Team Captain is responsible for collecting fees & fines and forwarding to FDNA. Teams must provide contact details for at least one alternate contact person.

TEAM NAMES

FDNA reserves the right to reject any proposed team name. Team names must not directly include, imply, or be perceived to refer to genitalia, include offensive language or breach any other generally accepted standard.

Prior to season commencement teams may be asked to submit an alternate name. We may assign an interim name if required.

UMPIRES

FDNA is a training venue & we offer a comprehensive umpire development program. Our Umpires are supported by experienced and qualified Supervisors who can usually be located at the ends of the courts.

Players are expected to comply with the Official rules of Netball 2020.

A team Captain may ask a badged Umpire for a rule clarification at the appropriate interval (half time or after the game) and must do so in a respectful manner. Disputing an Umpire's decisions is not acceptable & will not be tolerated under any circumstances.

Team Captains may ask to speak to the Umpires Supervisor if they have concerns or questions around Umpiring.



CODES OF BEHAVIOUR/CHILD SAFETY

All patrons are expected to adhere to child safety legislation & comply with behavioural codes of conduct

FDNA support and comply with the Sport & Recreation Victoria Fair Play Code

www.sport.vic.gov.au/publications-and-resources/community-sport-resources/fair-play-code

All members are asked to comply with Australian Sports Commission's Codes of Behaviour. Details of these codes are available on our website and/or available upon request.

We follow Netball Victoria's Child Safety Standards effective 1 July 2022. Member protection queries or concerns can be emailed to netball@fdna.com.au

Competition matters are governed by Netball Victoria's Competition Regulations 2018 which can be located on our website or upon request. The FDNA Hearings Officer is Raeleen Darcy.

FDNA BY-LAWS

FDNA's current By-Laws can be found by visiting our website at: <https://frankstonnetball.com.au>

We look forward to welcoming your team on court and thank-you for choosing netball at Jubilee Park Stadium, Frankston.