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**Definitions**

The following terms shall, wherever used in these Bylaws bear the meanings respectively referred to in this paragraph, unless otherwise stated.

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| NA  |   | Netball Australia  |
| NQ  |   | Netball Queensland  |
| RNA  |   | Rockhampton Netball Association Inc.  |

Management Rockhampton Netball Association Inc. Management

 Committee

# 1. Rockhampton Netball Association

RNA is an affiliate of Netball Queensland. RNA will annually renew affiliation with Netball Queensland.

### 1.1 Management Meetings

Management Meetings shall be held on the Second Thursday of each month, commencing at 6.00 pm or as determined by the Management Committee

###  1.2 Rockhampton Netball Association Insurance

### The RNA will hold current insurance; any member has the right to view the terms of the policy at any reasonable time.

### 1.3 Insurance - Clubs

By becoming an Affiliated Member of the Rockhampton Netball Association Inc, coverage is provided automatically for each calendar year. The insurance underwriter is supplied by Netball Queensland.

This program incorporates three covers:

1. Public Liability
2. Professional Indemnity
3. Personal Accident

### 1.4 Insurance - Players

1. Any incident/injury, which may result in an insurance claim being lodged, must have a completed Injury Reporting Form returned to the RNA within 7 days of the incident.
2. Submission of all insurance claims is the responsibility of the person claiming although they must seek verification from RNA before forwarding to the insurance company.
3. RNA accepts no responsibility for any injury claim by a player if they have not supplied all relevant information as required by the insurer.
4. RNA accepts no responsibility for any claim by a player who is not registered at the time of injury.

# 2. Member Clubs

1. The RNA Management Committee will set the Club Affiliation fee annually.
2. Clubs affiliating with RNA shall complete the appropriate form and pay the fee by the annual due date. Clubs will not be permitted to nominate teams into the competition until such time as affiliation has been accepted by the RNA Management Committee.

### 2.1 Club Obligations

1. Each club of the RNA is expected to meet the responsibilities and obligations associated with affiliation.
2. RNA is able to decline a club/team’s application for affiliation for repeated breaches of RNA’s Constitution, By-laws or Guidelines. RNA must advise the applicant club/team of its reasons in declining their affiliation. The applicant club/team may appeal RNA’s decision at a General Meeting.

### 2.2 Uniforms

1. Each registered club or team shall on first applying for membership, supply to the Management Committee particulars of its uniform which must be approved before being adopted. No club/team shall change its approved uniform without first obtaining consent of the Management Committee.
2. No player shall be allowed to compete in competition matches unless wearing the registered uniform of their club.
3. When 2 teams from the same club play each other, that club is responsible for providing one of the teams with a colour contrasting set of bibs.

#### 2.2.2 Uniforms – Players

1. All NA rules applicable to uniforms will apply to RNA players.
2. No gloves are permitted to be worn unless a medical certificate has been submitted to the Association.
3. In the event that a player has a medical certificate to wear gloves, fingernails and jewellery must still be inspected.

##### 2.2.3 Uniform Leniency

1. Uniform leniency is granted to all clubs for the first four (4) weeks of games.
2. If uniform leniency is required after this period, clubs must apply to the Management Committee stating the period and reason uniform leniency is required. Approval must be given by the Management Committee.
3. Shorts may be worn during the uniform leniency period.

### 2.3 Naming Themes

1. Clubs are to choose a theme to be used by all teams as the basis for their team names. Club themes are to be submitted together with the Club Affiliation Form.
2. All Club themes are to be approved by Management.
3. Club themes will be unique to each club. No Club may select a theme in use by another Club.
4. If more than one club proposes to use the same theme, preference will be given to the club that can prove historical use of that theme. If neither Club has a proven historical use of that theme, or if both Clubs have a proven historical use of that theme, final decision will be made by Management. In such a case, Management will inform both Clubs of their decision and their reasons for that decision.
5. Club themes will stand until 31 December of each year. Club themes may be changed after this date.
6. If a Club has proposed a theme with a broad range and another Club proposed a theme with a narrow range which can easily be incorporated in the Club’s broader range, preference shall be given to the Club theme with the narrow range if no clear distinction between themes can be made.
7. If a Club does not submit a theme by the first grading game, Management will select one for the Club. Selected theme shall be from a list previously approved by Management.

# 3. RNA Calendar and Fees, Fines, Penalties and Charges

At a General Meeting, the members will adopt the below for the following season:

1. Calendar
2. Member Registration and Game Fees
3. Fines
4. Charges

Please refer to Appendix 1 – Fees, Fines, Penalties and Charges.

# 4. Player and Team Registration

1. All players must register online, with their club through Netball Connect prior to being permitted to play in any grading or fixture game. It is the responsibility of the club to ensure that a player is fully financial and registered before taking the court. Penalty “Unregistered player”: As per Appendix 1
2. All players must be listed and have signed the Team Registration Sheet. Penalty “Ineligible player”: As per Appendix 1
3. Players may register at any time throughout the season but must do so through their Club. Direct registration to RNA is not permitted, except as approved by the Management Committee.
4. Players registering after the due date must complete the Team Registration Form prior to taking the court.
5. Team Registrations must be submitted to RNA by the due date. A team will not be included in the fixture draw until a valid registration form and all player fees are received.
6. Teams require a minimum of 7 and a maximum of 12 players for Traditional Season Registration (including any applicable grading matches).
7. Players are not permitted to register in more than one team in the Traditional Season. Exception is granted for:

 **Dual Players;**

* 1. Juniors must be turning thirteen (13yrs) – turning eighteen (18yrs) and still attending school during the year of the registered season (as at 31 December of current year).
	2. Dual Players are only eligible to register in one (1) Junior team and, either one or both, one (1) Senior A Res Team and one (1) Senior A Team. For example, a Junior player can dual register to play in teams registered in Senior A Res and Senior A upon completing the 3 required registrations.
	3. Senior players are permitted to register in one (1) Senior A Reserve team and one (1) Senior A team

A fee is applicable for Dual registrations.

1. Teams may register new members up to semi-finals. To be eligible to play in a Representative Team, Semi-finals, Preliminary Finals and or Grand Final match, a player must have played at least three (3) fixture matches within their current registered team.
2. Penalties apply as per Appendix 1

### 4.1 Non-playing Member Registration

Non-playing members must register via the Netball Connect registration platform.

### 4.2 Classification of players

* + 1. Age is determined by the age the player will be by December 31st of the current year.

Minis Players: Seven (7) to Eight (8). Players aged Six (6) may play minis with parental consent.

Juniors Players: Nine (9) to Seventeen (17) years as at 31st December. Players aged below Nine (9) may play junior grades with parental consent.

Exemptions are granted for players aged 18 years attending a secondary school to play in a Junior Team.

Senior Players: Eighteen (18) years or over as at 31st December.

* + 1. Junior players must be aged 13years or above to play in a Senior grade.
		2. Junior players below this age may play in a Senior grade with written parental consent.
		3. Males are permitted to play in the junior competition up to and including the year they turn twelve (12) years of age without restriction.

**The below rules will apply to Traditional season fixtures from 2026 and into the future**

* + 1. Males who are registered to play in the junior competition, and turning thirteen (13) years of age or older in the current year, are permitted to play having met the following criteria:
			1. Be graded by a minimum of three (3) grading committee members who are not affiliated with the club of the player. The graders will determine the minimum grade the player is eligible to play for both Junior and Senior teams
			2. In Traditional season teams will be permitted to have only 2 male players (over 13 years of age) on court at one time.
			3. Observe all other clauses of the RNA By-Laws unless otherwise expressly stated.

### 4.3 Transfers

1. In the event of a team or club disbanding, its members may register in a team of the equivalent or higher grade than their original registered team. Players shall not have to pay a second registration fee. The Team Registration Sheet must be updated by the player before taking the court in the new team.
2. It is the responsibility of the club to update Netball Connect and move the player into the new team. Penalties apply as per Appendix 1.
3. Applications to transfer to a team in a lower grade must be approved by RNA. Penalties apply as per Appendix 1.

### 4.4 Withdrawal Of A Team

The RNA must be notified in writing immediately if a team is withdrawing from the competition. A letter stating the withdrawal of the team must be signed by a club official. Individual players are then eligible for transfer.

In the event that the team withdraws after the weekly draw has been published the Member Club will be required to cover the teams umpire allocation. Failure to provide an umpire will result in an umpire fine being issued to the Member Club.

Team members will be liable for their apportionment of any outstanding team fines, which must be paid prior to joining another team.

### 4.5 De- Registration

1. De-registrations are processed by clubs initially.
2. RNA will approve de-registrations as they are lodged unless the de-registered player is unfinancial with RNA or another reason exists. RNA will be advise the de-registering player of the reason for the refusal of their de-registration.

### 4.6 Refund Of Fees

There will be no player registration refunds after a fixture netball game has been played by the player concerned.

### 5 Weekly Game Fees

Game Fees must be paid prior to a team taking the court.

Game Fees are not payable for grand finals only.

### 6 Fixture Categories

**6.1 RNA Fixtures classifications**

* 1. Competitive Grades – players aged nine (9) years to Seniors
	2. Mixed Netball
	3. Fast 5
	4. Development League

### 6.2 Rules Relating to Fixtures

a) No player shall be allowed to play in a lower grade than the one in which they are currently registered in for that season. Penalty: As per Appendix 1

b) Players may only play twice in any higher grade within a fixture season. The player must record next to their name on the scoresheet their original team and grade.

1. Once a player plays their third game up in a higher grade, the player then becomes a member of the team last played in.
2. In the case that the player involved is 12 years and under, the player will remain registered in their original team, however the team in which the player played up into on the third (3rd) or more instance/s will be penalised as per the Appendix 1.

c) A player must be 13 years of age or older to play in or up into a senior team. Penalty: As per Appendix 1

d) Interchange of players, from one team to another, within the same playing grade is not permitted. Penalty: As per Appendix 1

e) All players must have played three (3) fixture matches with the team in which they are registered, to be eligible to play semi finals, preliminary finals and grand finals for that team.

f) All players participating in fixture matches must be listed on the team registration sheet.

g) All players participating in matches must be listed on the scoresheet prior to taking the court for the game. Penalty: As per Appendix 1

* + 1. All players participating in the match must have their playing positions for each 4 quarters recorded on the scoresheet. Penalty: As per Appendix 2

h) All players shall complete the scoresheet to be recognisable as per the registration sheet lodged with the RNA. Penalty as per Appendix 1.

i) If a single team club does not have 7 players available to field a team due to injury, they may apply in writing to the Association for permission for players from a lower grade from another club to play in a fixture game.

1. Written permission from the lower graded player’s registered member club must accompany the request.
2. A medical certificate for the injured players must accompany the request
3. Only injured players may be substituted using this rule.

j) If a team doesn’t have 7 players for finals, or doesn’t have injury substitutes, they may apply in writing to the Association for permission for players from lower grades within their Club to play in the finals. Written requests must be submitted by the last night of fixtures.

1. When applying for permission, the team has to state name of “playing up” players and their team, the original players who are unavailable and the reason for their unavailability.

### 6.3 Rules Relating to Mixed Netball

1. There shall be a maximum of three (3) and a minimum of two (2) males on the court at any one time
2. It shall not be necessary for a male player to be opposed to a male player.
3. One male player must play in each of the three (3) areas of the court:
	1. Goal Shooter or Goal Attack
	2. Wing Attack, Centre or Wing Defence
	3. Goal Defence or Goal Keeper
4. If there are only two (2) males on court they may play in any two of the above areas
5. Normal substitution rules apply as long as the above restrictions are adhered to.

# 7 Grading

1. Clubs are responsible for nominating teams in an appropriate grade to their skill level.
2. Teams must submit grading nomination form by due date set on RNA yearly calendar or, the penalty as per Appendix 1 will apply.
3. Grading nomination forms must be complete with minimum 7 players, including all information or, the penalty as per Appendix 1 will apply.
4. Teams will be paper graded based on the information supplied on the team nomination form. Teams are to be prepared that they may be requested to play on different playing nights or in a different grade during grading.
5. Teams being re-graded will be advised in writing by the Grading Convenor.
6. The team will have the opportunity to supply further information and ask for a review by the Grading Committee. This process should not take beyond 7 days.
7. Until the review is completed by the Grading Committee the initial recommended change for the team will remain in effect. Based on the information supplied by the team asking for a review, the Grading Committee can uphold the original grading decision or change the original grading decision. This will be communicated to the team within 7 days of the decision.
8. The review process will not be available in the last week of grading. Teams that want to appeal a re-grading decision will need to make submission to the Management Committee on the appropriate form.
9. A team may instigate an appeal process on the appropriate form to the Management Committee if they remain unsatisfied by the decision of the Grading Committee. Management Members not on the Grading Committee or affiliated with the club/team under review will review the appeal and decide the appropriate grade for the team. The Management Committee decision is final.
10. Clubs with five or more teams, who do not provide a Grader to RNA, are unable to appeal a grading decision.
11. RNA will complete grading at the conclusion of grading games as per the RNA Calendar.
12. For changes to players during Grading weeks, Clubs must provide an updated Team Nomination Form. The Club is also responsible for updating Netball Connect for any player changes.
13. All players must be registered in netball connect prior to taking the court for grading games.

**7.1 Re-grading**

Clubs/Teams may apply to the Management Committee to be re-graded during the season. The Management Committee may use whatever information it deems relevant in making a re-grading decision.

# 8 Rules of Play

Rules adopted by all members shall be those of Netball Australia.

### 8.1 Duration of Play

Match length will be determined by Management Committee with consideration given, but not limited to:

* time of the day the match is being played
* goals of grade being played (ie competitive, social, preparing for representative duties)
* venue where the match is being played
* whether the match is a different format to a traditional game (ie Fast 5, Mixed, etc)

# 9 Rescheduled Games

Consideration will be given to a written request for a rescheduled game for the following reasons:

1. If a team is unable to field five (5) original players (information will be verified by RNA) Member Clubs are to submit written requests for rescheduled games by the conclusion of the third (3rd) week of grading.
	1. Club teams that have players with Netball Queensland endorsed Representative Netball Commitments (such as attendance to State Age, State League)

Member Clubs are to advise the RNA 14 days prior to the fixture game if a team will be affected by 3 or more players being unavailable to due to representative commitments.

# 10 Unsuitable Playing Conditions

1. The cancellation and/ or delay of games due to unsuitable playing conditions will, where possible be decided by three (3) Management members.
2. Once a decision has been made that the games are cancelled a notice will be placed on the RNA Facebook page and Netball Connect.
3. If a fixture game is stopped before the commencement of the third quarter the game is cancelled.
4. When a whole night is cancelled, the fixtures are not rescheduled or replayed.
5. If Semi-final, Final or Grand Final games are cancelled the games will be postponed to an alternate night as determined by the Management.

**10.1 Cold Weather**

Where the overnight forecast temperature is 12C or less (as per www.bom.gov.au), players may wear tights and long-sleeve tight fitting shirts underneath their uniforms.

# 11 Forfeits

A Forfeit occurs when the opposing team fails to field five (5) original players and when the opposing teams fails to complete a match. Fees apply, as per Appendix 1.

1. A team may commence a match with no fewer than five (5) original players. If a team does not have at least five (5) original players on the court at the starting siren, the team has thirty (30) seconds to fill five (5) original players, but the opposing team must take the court in starting positions.
2. Should neither team be able to field a least five (5) original players the game shall be declared a forfeit.

### 11.1 Un-notified forfeits:

1. A forfeit may be claimed if the opposition cannot field a minimum five (5) registered team players by thirty (30) seconds after the starting siren. Teams claiming the forfeit must have a minimum of five (5) registered team fit to play. Teams claiming a forfeit must sign the scoresheet as usual.
2. If one or both of the teams are unable to field at least five players by thirty (30) seconds after the playing siren, one of the team members are to return the scoreboard to the RNA Office and a forfeit will be declared. If both teams are unable to field a team, the game will be declared a double forfeit. Fees as per Appendix 1.
3. The umpires must sign the scoresheet and indicate a ‘win by forfeit’.
4. Where a game has commenced and one team is unable to continue the game due to players being injured or ill, the umpires will indicate on the scoresheet ‘forfeit due to illness/injury’. No forfeit penalties will be applied.

### 11.2 Notified forfeits:

1. Teams who are aware that they are not able to field a team for a fixture game, can contact the RNA by 1.00 p.m. of the day of scheduled play. This is classed as a “notified” forfeit and fees as per Appendix 1 will apply. Notifications of a forfeit after the designated time of 1:00pm will be classed as an un-notified forfeit.
2. The team that is claiming the notified forfeit win, will be contacted by RNA and will not have to attend the court at scheduled time or sign the scoresheet.
3. If your team forfeits or is gaining a forfeit win, your team will still be rostered umpiring duty, which must be fulfilled.
4. Three consecutive forfeits of fixture games will result in the offending team’s disqualification for the remainder of that season with no refund of fees.
5. Penalties apply relating to forfeits: please refer to Appendix 1.

# 12 General Rules

1. There is no walking between the courts allowed when games are in progress.
2. Persons under the age of thirteen (13) must be supervised by an adult at all times.
3. Any person obstructing games in progress will be asked to the leave the netball premises immediately.
4. No smoking or alcohol is permitted within the bounds of the Netball boundaries. Any person breaching this rule will be asked to leave the netball premises immediately
5. Animals are not permitted within the netball bounds. The exception is for guide or assistance dogs only. A person may be asked to show proof that the animal is a registered guide/assistance dog by an RNA official.
6. At no time are roller blades, skateboards, scooters etc allowed on the premises of the RNA netball courts.

# 12.1 Rolling Substitutions (Subs) and Team Changes

1. Players are permitted unlimited subs on/off for the entirety of the game.
2. There will be no “time” called for a substitution to take place. Players must exchange places when the play is at opposite end of the court or during a normal break in play (ball out of court/injury).
3. The exchange of players must be near the transverse line of the area the player is “coming off” and “going on”. Neither player is allowed to go offside, both sub boxes can be used by either team.
4. The player coming onto the court must have a bib in place prior to entering the court.
5. The player coming onto the court must not enter the court until their team mate has exited the court.
6. Neither player coming on/off is to interfere with the running line of the umpire.
7. Where a team only have 7 players, swapping position between players will be allowed under the following circumstances.
8. The players involved in the swap must leave the court near the common transverse line.
9. The ball must not be in the area of play of the players swapping.
10. The players must have the bibs in place prior to re-entering the court area.
11. Players must not interfere with the umpire’s line of running.
12. Players swapping positions not in accordance with these steps will be penalised by a free pass to the opposing team where the umpire observed the illegal team change.

# 13. Scoresheets & Information for Scorers

1. Scoresheets are to be collected from the control point ten (10) minutes before the commencement of the game.
2. The scorers should ensure all players that are taking the court are listed on the scoresheet. If there are not at least five (5) names listed for either team by the thirty (30) second warning the scorer should notify the umpire.
3. The scorers must record the playing positions for players on the scoresheet
	1. If the players positions are not recorded on the scoresheet for each of the four (4) quarters this will be deemed an incomplete scoresheet. Penalty as per Appendix 1
4. Players may be required to sign the scoresheet should the opposition team challenges a player’s authenticity within the team. Players who have not provided a recognisable signature (as per the team registration sheet) will be penalised as per unregistered player rule.
5. Players must sign the scoresheet for the final games to be recognisable as per the registration sheet lodged with the RNA. Penalty as per Appendix 1.
6. When a player from a lower grade plays up in a higher grade, the player must indicate their normal playing grade clearly on the bottom of the scoresheet. Penalty as per Appendix 1
7. A substitute player must sign the scoresheet before they take their position on the court – if they do not play then they do not sign the scoresheet.
8. Late arrivals must sign the scoresheet before taking the court and may only take the court after notifying the umpires. Penalty as per Appendix 1
9. The scoresheets are to be signed by Umpires and Scorers.
10. The Captain of a team is responsible for signing the scoresheet as correct. If the scoresheet is considered to be incorrect, the captain should write and sign on the scoresheet, state the reasons why it is not correct and report the matter to the convenor so that any necessary investigation can be undertaken.
11. Should the Captain omit to sign the scoresheet, then the scoresheet will be deemed to have been submitted correctly.
12. The Captain or Team Official of the winning team is responsible for returning the scoresheet to the Control Point immediately upon conclusion of the game.
13. In the event of a drawn game, BOTH Captains are responsible for the return of the scoresheet.

### 13.1 Scoring

1. Each team must supply a responsible scorer for their game.
2. Teams failing to supply a scorer must accept without challenge the score as submitted by the opposing team.
3. The Registrar can only accept the score as kept on the official score sheet by the scorers, that is, one person only from each team. Scores as kept by other spectators cannot be taken into account.
4. Scorers should sit or stand together and jointly carry out the responsibility of scoring. One scorer records and the other calls the attempts, misses and goals for each team. Scorers are to also record team changes, substitution and suspensions. This is to be recorded on the back of the scoresheet.
5. Scorers must be able to hear the Umpire call the goals, and may request the Umpire to call more loudly if necessary.
6. All games will be centrally timed. The buzzer will signify the end of playing time, however it is the umpire’s whistle that will stop play as per NA rules.
7. The exception being for:
	1. Senior A
	2. All finals games will be self timed
8. Umpires do not check the scoring; they sign the scoreboard as an official of the game.
9. The Official score is taken from the tally marks on the scoresheet.

### 13.2 Timekeeping

1. All fixture games will be centrally timed; therefore no extra time is given for injuries or illness.

The exception being:

* 1. Senior A games will be self timed. Extra time for injury and illness time will be allowed.
1. All Final games will be self-timed. This includes Preliminary, Semi and Grand Finals
2. Teams will be responsible for supplying their own timekeepers where games are self timed.

# 14. Points Allocation

1. Allocation of points:

Win: 3 points

Draw: 2 points

Loss: 1 point

1. Fixture points can be revoked if teams do not abide by RNA rules. Please refer to penalties as per Appendix 1.
2. Where any team is considered to have played a non-eligible player, the penalty as per Appendix 1 will apply.
3. Where both teams break the rules, no points will be allocated for that game and the penalty as per Appendix 1 will apply for both teams.
4. A team wishing to protest shall notify the opposing team captain of their intention to protest at the conclusion of the game. All protests must be in writing within 48 hours after the match to the RNA Office. Such a protest will be dealt with by Management.
5. The team with the most fixture points will be deemed the Minor Premiers of that grade.
6. If there is a draw on points at the conclusion of fixtures the goal average formula used in netball connect will be used to decide the finals positions:  Goals for, divided by Goals Against, divided by the number of games played.
7. If there is still a tie on points using SMR (Goals for, divided by Goals Against, divided by the number of games played) the difference For – Against (between goals for and goal against for each team) will be used, with team with the higher differential being placed higher on the ladder.
8. Where a team has been regraded after grading games have been completed, or where a grade has a bye, or where unequal number of matches have been played in the teams of the grade, the final positions will be calculated as follows:  The number of fixture points divided by the number of games played in that grade.
9. The leading team in each grade at the completion of fixture games will be the Minor Premiers of that grade.
10. The finals will be run as follows:

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| 1st Semi Final  | 1st position  | VS  | 2nd position  |
| 2nd Semi Final  | 3rd position  | VS  | 4th position  |
| Preliminary Final  | Loser 1st Semi Final  | VS  | Winner 2nd Semi Final  |
| Grand Final  | Winner 1st Semi Final  | VS  | Winner Preliminary Final  |

# 15. Umpires

1. The RNA will set the Umpire Remuneration payment schedule. To receive remuneration for umpiring services, umpires must be a registered member of the RNA and have the minimum umpire accreditation as set by the Umpiring Sub-Committee.
2. Umpires shall:
3. Have the minimum foundation umpire accreditation.
4. Where possible wear either their club uniform with a white shirt over top, or white clothing.
5. Wear appropriate sports footwear
6. Sign the umpiring sign on sheet and be available at the allocated court to complete pre-game requirements.
7. Sign the score sheet after the game, as an official present at the game.
8. After commencement of the game, umpires who suffer injury or illness may be replaced after seeking approval from the RNA Convenor on duty.
9. National Badged umpires must retain their competencies according to NA.
10. Failure to do umpiring duty will incur penalty as per Appendix 1. Failure to do umpiring duty can include the following, but is not limited to:
11. Wearing inappropriate footwear
12. Allocation of umpire not to the standard of the game, which may include the umpire’s fitness
13. Not providing umpire by game commencement and authorised final call
14. Supply of unaccredited umpire

# 16. Representative Netball

RNA players and officials participating in representative duties will be bound by the endorsed RNA Representative Policy (as amended from time to time).

#  17. Disputes

Any disputes or complaints must be in writing and submitted to the RNA Office within 48 hours of the dispute.

#  18. Penalties and Fines

All penalties and fines for breaches of these rules are found in Appendix 1.

**Appendix 1:** Schedule of current season Fees, Fine, Penalties and Charges.

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| **Item** | **Fee** | **Fine** | **Penalty** | **Charge** |
| **Game Fees** |
| Minis | $75.00 |  |  | $60.00 |
| Junior | $100.00 |  |  | $80.00 |
| Senior | $100.00 |  |  | $80.00 |
| Senior A (when playing at Jardine Park) | $100.00 |  |  | $80.00 |
| Senior A (when at location other than Jardine Park) | $120.00 |  |  | $100.00 |
| Mixed Netball | $100.00 |  |  | $80.00 |
| Social Netball | $100.00 |  |  | $80.00 |
| Fast Five Netball | $60.00 |  |  | $50.00 |

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| **Item** | **Fee** | **Fine** | **Penalty** | **Charge** |
| **Forfeits** |
| Un-notified (offending team) | $100.00 | $100.00 | 0 points awarded | $200.00 |
| Un-notified (non-offending team) | Nil |  | 3 points awarded | Nil |
| Notified (offending team) | $100.00 | $50.00 | 1 point awarded | $150.00 |
| Notified (non-offending team) | Nil |  | 3 points awarded | Nil |
| Minis Un-notified (offending team) | $75.00 | $75.00 | 0 points awarded | $150.00 |
| Minis Un-notified (non-offending team) | Nil |  | 3 points awarded | Nil |
| Minis Notified (offending team) | $75 | $37.50 | 1 point awarded | $112.50 |
| Minis Notified (non-offending team) | Nil |  | 3 points awarded | Nil |
| **Forfeits – Snr A (when at CQU)** |
| Un-notified (offending team) | $120.00 | $120.00 | 0 points awarded | $240.00 |
| Un-notified (non-offending team) | Nil |  | 3 points awarded | Nil |
| Notified (offending team) | $120.00 | $60.00 | 1 point awarded | $180.00 |
| Notified (non-offending team) | Nil |  | 3 points awarded | Nil |

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| **Item** | **Fee** | **Fine** | **Penalty** | **Charge** |
| **Fines** |
| 15. Failure to supply umpire |  | $75.00 |  |  |
| Failure to do canteen duty |  | $75.00 |  |  |

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| **Point Penalties (as per By-laws)** |
| Un-financial / Unregistered/Non-eligible player  | 0 points and - 3 points |
| 6.2 (a) Player playing in a lower grade | 0 points and - 3 points |
| 6.2 (d) Interchange of players within same grade | 0 points and - 3 points |
| 6.2 (h) Player/s fails to complete scoresheet | 0 points and - 3 points |
| 13 (i) Player signature on scoresheet does not match registration form | 0 points and - 3 points |
| 13 (e) Playing up player not recorded on scoresheet | 0 points and - 3 points |
| 14 (d) Both teams offend | 0 points and- 3 points |
| 7 (b) Failure to submit grading nomination by due date set | -3 points |
| 7 (c) Grading Nomination form incomplete | -1 point |

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| **Photocopying**  |
| Single Sided - Black & White pages  | $0.10 per page |
| Double Sided - Black and White pages | $0.15 per page |
| Single Sided - Colour  | $0.15 per page |
| Double Sided – Colour | $0.20 per page |

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| **Misc.** |
| Bib Hire | $5.00 per set per game |
| Light Token | $5.00 per token |
| Umpire Whistle | $10 |
| Umpire Rule Book | $25.00 |