



# PREMIER LEAGUE COMPETITION RULES

## Premier League Competition Rules

The Premier League Competition is to be a separate competition from the Associations Domestic Competitions, however, this Competition is still Club based. The Committee have opened up the competition to teams outside the region provided that these teams affiliate with an Association and they are to nominate which Association will be their home ground. It was also moved that there was always to be a greater ratio of KDNA teams playing than those teams from outside the region. This will be revised at the end of each season. Each team shall affiliate with their Member Association and shall pay fees as levied by that Member Association.

### **Single Game Voucher:**

A single voucher may be purchased for a player who is filling in, and attach it to the scorecard. Vouchers may be purchased from the office.

If you have a player filling in for your team who is not affiliated with any other Association, then they will need to buy a \$15 voucher which covers them for insurance. The player may fill in for a team for 3 games, on the 4th playing date the player must become registered with the team they played the 3rd game with. They cannot fill in for 3 games for a number of different clubs.

### **Team Registration:**

All teams must have only 12 players registered at any one time. Teams must register and deregister players on the scorecard. Once you have deregistered a player, that same player cannot play again in this competition in the same season for that team/club or any other team/club. All teams from the same club playing in the same division must be numbered. The team numbered 1 is considered the highest team. When it occurs that a Club has two or more registered teams in the same grade, there may be no interchange of players. A player who plays "up" for a third time in the grade must play at this grade. A player cannot play down. A player must play 5 matches with the Club to qualify for the finals.

All players taking the court must have nails cut to the required length as required by A.A.N.A. rules. Taping of nails is not to be permitted. Gloves may be worn but nail length must still comply with A.A.N.A. rules. Participants may apply to the President for exemption to cutting nails for work or special occasions. This must be in writing the week prior to the match concerned, if granted gloves must be worn and cannot be taped.

All other official rules are as per the A.A.N.A. rules

The Open Competition is intended for players above school age.

Players must be a minimum of fourteen years as at 31st December of that playing year to play in the 17's division.

Players must be a minimum of seventeen years as at 31<sup>st</sup> of December to play in the 20's division.

Juniors playing in the Open competition will be of a suitable standard to cope with the more physical nature of the game. The responsibility will be on Clubs to use players that have enough skills and ability to cope.

The Competition Coordinators have the right to review any Junior (16-17) year old playing in the Open Competition.

**Uniform:**

Colours including bibs, to be nominated by the team at time of registration. All players to be in the correct uniform by the third playing date. Uniform type is to be in line with nominated club uniform. Umpires to manage players out of uniform not to take the court after the third playing date.

**Transfers:**

A player may apply for or be granted a transfer after the end of the first round of the fixtures.

**WANL Players:**

A NWA Open or 20U league player must play in the highest team of your club which they are affiliated with. If a such a player comes into the KDNA Premier League Competition not having a team from last year already playing in the Competition, then they must find a Division 1 team to play for.

**Unfinancial Players/Clubs:**

In line with the KDNA Policy

**Forfeiting of Matches:**

A team having to forfeit must notify at the earliest time possible to the KDNA Premier League Competition Co-ordinator and Competitions [competitions@kalamundanetball.com.au](mailto:competitions@kalamundanetball.com.au)

If a team forfeits with the prescribed notice, they will not be penalised with loss of 2 points, however, if a team does not turn up or forfeits with less than 24 hours' notice, there will be a fine of \$50 and the loss of 2 points. If this happens a third time and more, then fine will be \$100 and loss of 2 points. Fine must be paid to the President of Kalamunda & Districts Netball Association prior to their next playing date. A loss of 2 points, plus 15 - 0 goals (15 to the other team), if a team fails to play a match.

**Scoring/Timing:**

KDNA will supply relevant personnel for the open division bench each Friday evening and they will be responsible for the management of the score bench and scorecards.

Under 17's teams will be required to supply bench personnel, first named team scorer second named team time keeper. All matches must commence on time. Injury time as per AANA rule book shall be allowed.

**Umpires:**

Invited Umpires to officiate at Premier League matches. The Association Umpires Committee (AUDO and assistants) shall take responsibility for providing umpires at each Premier League game. Each Team are able to nominate names of suitable umpires they may wish to be placed into the pool and allocated games.

### **Postponed Match:**

- The team seeking a postponed match must notify [admin@kalamundanetball.com.au](mailto:admin@kalamundanetball.com.au) and the Competition Co-ordinator [competitions@kalamundanetball.com.au](mailto:competitions@kalamundanetball.com.au)
- The match must be played by the 2nd playing date after the postponed date. (Need to take into consideration WANL players due to State Commitments.)
- Association Umpire Coordinator to be contacted to organise umpires for the postponed match.
- Match to be played as per fixtures where possible.

### **Cancelled Match:**

If a match is cancelled due to extreme weather conditions or unsafe surfaces the game will be deemed cancelled if half of the match is not played, at the discretion of the umpires in consultation with Team officials. A draw will be recorded. The score will be 15-15 and one point will be awarded to each Team. If the game goes into the second half the score will stand at the point of cancellation of match.

### **Protests:**

If a team wishes to protest they shall:

- Notify the Captain of the opposing team immediately at the end of the match.
- Put in writing their protest to the KDNA Competition Co-ordinator within 24 hours, accompanied with a \$50 fee. (This fee shall be refunded if the protest is upheld.)

The Team shall notify the KDNA Competition Co-ordinator immediately, whose responsibility it will be to organise a special meeting to discuss this protest only. A meeting shall be held within 4 days.

The Competition Co-ordinator shall chair this meeting but not be entitled to vote on the matter at hand.

A protest panel shall be made up of 3 (three) people from the Community, who will deliberate, vote and give a finding on the protest. (These people will understand Netball. They may not necessarily be from the Region.) Each team will provide 1 (one) representative to attend the meeting.

### **Recording of Matches:**

The Competition Co-ordinator shall be the recorder and or nominee. Scorecards used in Premier League matches, supplied by the KDNA. They shall be of a colour that will be easily distinguishable.

### **Finals:**

- Shall be between the top 4 teams in each division - 1 v 2 & 3 v 4
- All finals match play will be held at the Ray Owen Sports Centre in Gladys Road, Lesmurdie.
- The winner of the game between 1 v 2 will go straight into the grand final. The second semi-final shall be between the loser of the game between 1 v 2 and the winner of the game between 3 v 4. The loser of game 3 v 4 is out of the competition. In the second semi-final the team finishing in the higher position will have the home ground advantage.
- A drawn game as per A.A.N.A. rules.