



WGHS NETBALL CLUB - 2024 WINTER SEASON IMPORTANT REGISTRATION INFORMATION

**PLEASE TAKE THE TIME TO READ ALL THE INFORMATION TO HELP MAKE THE
REGISTRATION PROCESS EASIER**

We appreciate that there is a lot to review. We are happy to assist and answer any queries you may have.

GENERAL INFORMATION

- 2024 registration fees have increased slightly to reflect an increase in fees by Netball Australia, NetballNSW and NSNA. In addition we are investing in our 2024 coaching program.
- Junior & Inters/Cadets registration (12-17 years) is \$345 and Senior (18+) registration is \$355.
- These fees INCLUDE insurance, competition entry, PlayHQ fee, training, umpiring & coaching & court hire fees for Junior & Inters/Cadets teams. Year 12 & Ex-Student/Senior Teams do not include coaching.
- All WGHSNC registrations must be **paid in full**; we are keen to encourage and facilitate participation, so please contact us confidentially if you require payment assistance.
- 'PlayHQ' is the **2024 registration system** - if you/your daughter played last year, please use the same email address and log in details as 2023***.
- **For new players - both player & parent/guardian will need to set up a new PlayHQ profile/account^^^.**
- The 2024 winter comp runs from **Saturday 6 April until early September 2024**
- All games are played on Saturdays at Willoughby Leisure Centre from as early as 7.45am through to 4.15pm, with 13 years teams generally playing at the earliest time slots and Inters/Seniors into the afternoon.
- **Non WGHS-students and ex-students are welcome to join our netball club** and play netball with friends and peers.
- All players & parents/guardians/carers are requested to [read and acknowledge](#) the Club's T&Cs which include a **Privacy Policy and Codes of Conduct**. The full conditions of registration are included at the end of this document, and are also available on WGHS website - P&C Netball page.

REGISTRATION CLOSING DATES

Junior Registration must close very early in February 2024 due to grading requirements, as you must be registered when attending the grading sessions to be covered for insurance purposes.

- **Year 9 Registration Closes at 5pm on Sunday 4th February**
- **Years 7 and 8 Registration Closes at 5pm on Friday 9th February**
- **Years 10 – 12 & Ex-students Registration Closes at 5pm Friday 16th February**

Registration in each Year group will only be accepted after the closing dates IF there is availability in an appropriate team. Please contact wghsnetball@gmail.com to be placed on the waitlist. An additional late registration administration fee of \$25 may apply.

Don't forget to use your 2023 \$50 Active Kids Voucher by 31st January 2024.

If you register on or after 1st February 2024, you may be able to apply for and use a new AKV which will be issued after 1/2/24. Please visit [Service NSW Active Kids Voucher](#) for more information.

Note: From 1.1.2024, PlayHQ will implement a 1.49% surcharge for each registered player. There may also be additional transaction fees based on your debit/credit card provider. These are NOT WGHSNC charges.

REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS

Use this link to register: <https://www.playhq.com/netball-australia/register/6a52e3>

On the PlayHQ landing page, please read the information, then scroll down and hit 'Get Started'.

- **Step 1:** 'Create an Account' OR 'Log in'
 - 'Creating an Account'^^^ – you will need to VERIFY your email address before registering. Both parent/guardian & player need to set up a PlayHQ profile. When creating your player profile please set up your/your child's name with Initial Caps only, i.e., capital 1st letter only, on given & last names. E.g., Jill Smith.
 - 'Logging In'*** - if you/your child are already registered on PlayHQ (played NSNA or other comp in 2023) DO NOT create an account/profile, log in to your existing account using email and password already created).
- **Step 2:** Registration - Select the Register tab, top left & Registration form will open (not Fixtures & Ladders tab).
- **Step 3:** Select Register Myself (if the player) or Register Someone Else (if registering your child). Once you answer all the questions on the registration form you will come to the payments page. Enter your credit card details BEFORE you input your Active Kids Code in the Government Voucher section.
- If any errors at all, please STOP registering and contact the Club on wghsnetball@gmail.com

IMPORTANT REGISTRATION QUESTIONS

Please ensure you answer all the questions in the registration form accurately as it assists us find the best team for you/your daughter.

- In 2024 - what school year are you/your daughter in? Enter their correct **2024 grade** or ex-student from the menu.
- Junior players must nominate **2 preferred playing positions**. This is primarily for grading games and team formation. Please discuss this with your daughter before and encourage her to choose two positions that she both enjoys and is suited to.
- Please accurately describe your playing history if you did not play for WGHS in 2023. This is essential for NSNA grading purposes.
- For standard mandatory medical questions – enter **NA** if you do not have relevant answers.

REFUND POLICY

- Once registered, refunds are not provided for change of mind or dissatisfaction with grading results.
- Medical certificates are required to process refunds due to medical circumstances.
- Please contact the Club Convenor for further assistance: wghsnetball@gmail.com
- Fees and charges may apply depending on circumstances.
- Transaction fees and Netball Australia portions cannot be refunded.
- Active Kids vouchers cannot be refunded or reimbursed as cash or credit.

TRAINING

All teams in Year Groups 7 - 11 are required to participate in a one hour team training session on Wednesday afternoons at either 4pm or 5pm during Terms 2 & 3, with some occasional sessions late in Term 1. All training sessions are held at Willoughby Leisure Centre.

Year 12 & Ex-Student teams are able to request court bookings on Wednesdays or another day/times if they wish to train at either WGHS or WLC. Please send all requests to: wghsnetball@gmail.com

GRADING & TEAM FORMATION – JUNIOR TEAMS - YEARS 7 - 9

- We play in the NSNA run competition which is based on calendar-year age groups, not school grade groups. However, as a School Club we are aware the majority of **players prefer to remain with their grade peers**. Therefore, decisions regarding calendar year age-based teams can only be made when all registrations are received and grading commences.
- All WGHS netball teams play in a competition where all Clubs individually grade both their players & teams to ensure all teams/players are competing in the division which best reflects their capabilities.
- Players in Years 7 - 9 will be individually graded and allocated to teams based on skill, ability and position selection.
- Grading enables players to be placed in a team with others of similar ability, who will play against other teams of a similar level. Team selection aims to give everyone a 'fair go' and the best possible experience playing netball.
- The grading process is independent and undertaken by experienced graders. In registering you/your daughter, you agree to accept the grading decisions of the Club. If you chose to withdraw from the Club following grading, you will forfeit the registration fee.
- Coaches from the previous season are also asked to rank their players which is reviewed by the graders.
- Attendance at grading is mandatory.
- Spectators are discouraged at grading.
- Dates for Grading & Skills sessions for each Year are below.

A separate Come & Try Netball session is available for all Year 7 Students, and Students in Years 8 and 9 who are new to the school and haven't previously played netball. It will be held on school premises on Wednesday 7th February from 3:30pm to 5pm. There is no fee for this session however we do require all those wanting to attend to sign up for the session so we can ensure we have enough coaches and equipment for everyone. The Sign Up link will be provided to all Year 7 students on their first day at school.

Junior Registration must close very early in February 2024 due to grading requirements, as you must be registered when attending the grading sessions to be covered for insurance purposes.

GRADING DATES & LOCATION

Held at Northern Suburbs Netball Association (NSNA) outdoor courts @ Willoughby Leisure Centre, Bicentennial Reserve Small Street, Willoughby.

Everyone **MUST** be a fully paid up registered member of the Club in order to participate in grading sessions to be covered for insurance purposes.

2024 GRADING SCHEDULE

All players Years 7 – 9 must attend grading.

DAY	GRADING YEAR GROUP / AGE & SESSION #	TIME
Wednesday 7 Feb	YEAR 9 / 15s Grading session #1	3:45pm – 6:00pm
Sunday 11 Feb	YEAR 7 / 13s Grading session #1	8.30am – 11:30am
Wednesday 14 Feb	YEAR 8 - 14s Grading session #1	3:45pm – 6:00pm
Sunday 18 Feb	YEAR 7 - 13s Grading session #2	8.30am – 11:30am
Wednesday 21 Feb	YEAR 8 - 14s Grading session #2 YEAR 9 - 15s Grading session #2 Years 10 - 12 Inters & Senior Teams - Meetings if required to finalise teams ***	3:45pm – 6:00pm 5:45pm - 7:00pm tbc
Sunday 25 Feb	Wet Weather Back Up Day YEAR 7 – 13s Grading session - if required YEAR 8 - 14s Grading session - if required YEAR 9 - 15s Grading session - if required	Times TBC if sessions needed

TEAMS FOR YEARS 10 - 12 & Ex-Students

- **INTERS & SENIOR TEAMS MUST BE PREPARED AND ABLE TO PLAY AT ANY TIME SLOT FROM 12.45PM UNTIL 4.15PM**
- Players in Years 10 - 12 & Ex-Students are eligible to submit full teams of 8 - 11 players subject to Committee approval.
- Each full team submitted must have a nominated Team Captain (player) and Team Manager (parent) to be eligible to register.
- Paper grading for these teams will be conducted based on previous team results.
- Teams and players in Years 10 - 12 may be required to attend a meeting in late February to finalise team placements.

The Committee will assist as necessary to ensure all girls that wish to play can join a suitable team.

Note: Individual & small group requests will be reviewed & considered. The Committee hopes to accommodate all requests received, but please be aware that due to player numbers & grading, it may not be possible to keep small groups together.

***** Full team lists must be sent by the nominated Team Manager or Captain to:**

wghsnetball@gmail.com no later than 5pm Friday 16th February 2024.

Please include in the subject line your year group or age & 'Full Team' eg: Year 11, 17's- full team.

Non students and x-students are welcome to join our netball club and play netball with friends and peers.

NETBALL UNIFORMS

- Our 2024 Junior Uniform (Years 7 to 9) comprises a comfortable and cost-effective, off-the-shelf royal blue skort, or the option for shorts (without pockets for safety) (NOT the school sports shorts).
- This is worn with the WGHS white sports polo shirt.
- Skorts will be available for purchase in February 2024 and sample sizes will be available to try on at Grading Days.
- Our 2024 Inters & Senior Uniform (Years 10 - 12 & Ex-students) is the same as the Junior uniform options, with the additional option of a WGHSNC branded dress to be worn with navy bike shorts. Samples are available to try on at the first training session of the season, or by contacting the Uniform Manager at wghsnetball@gmail.com
- 2024 pricing is * Skorts: \$45 * Shorts: \$35 * Dresses: \$85
- Second hand skorts available for \$20. These can be inspected and purchased at grading days.

JEWELLERY RULES ARE STRICT

- Jewellery including rings, earrings, watches and friendship bands cannot be worn under any circumstance and must be removed for games, and nails must be smooth and short.
- **DO NOT GET YOU/R DAUGHTERS EARS PIERCED BEFORE OR DURING THE NETBALL SEASON AS YOU/THEY WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO PLAY. EARRINGS CANNOT BE TAPED.**
- If you/your daughter child wears an item of jewellery for religious or medical purposes, an exemption to tape MUST be obtained PRIOR to playing in Round 1. Please contact the Club so we can seek this exemption from NSNA.

NETBALL COMMUNICATIONS

- To ensure all our netball players and families are informed, we use a range of communication tools.
- All Club communications will be via email and/or WhatsApp groups and supplemented via WGHS Netball Facebook & Instagram posts - @wghsnetball
- Please make sure you have subscribed to our social platforms.
- It is important that the coaches can communicate with the players and do so via WhatsApp groups. The Coaching Convenor and Parent Team Manager is copied on these comms. Please advise us if your daughter will not be able to use this App.
- It's also useful to follow Northern Suburbs Netball Association (NSNA or Norths Netball) pages.

VOLUNTEERS – WE RELY ON YOU

Our Committee is made up of a group of fun, like-minded, busy mums, dads and Ex-students who are passionate about ensuring that everyone has a great Netball season. We welcome anyone and everyone who would like to join us and help do their bit for the Club.

It's a condition of Registration that a Parent/Guardian of each registered Junior/Inters player, or each Senior Player, will - at a minimum, assist with Grounds Duty on the day/s allocated to the Club by NSNA if they are not already volunteering in another area of the club. **NSNA Grounds Duty** usually occurs once or twice a season.

Please consider how you can help out this season. **We need parent Team Managers for all of our teams**, particularly Years 7 – 9 teams, to assist with organisation and communications, plus scoring on game days. Players are also encouraged to get involved in coaching or umpiring, or volunteering in general, to grow and improve our club.

WGHS P&C NETBALL CLUB PRIVACY POLICY AND PLAYER & PARENT CODES OF CONDUCT 2024

Please review the following Privacy Policy and Codes of Conduct.

Agreement with and acknowledgement of these policies is a condition of 2024 registration.

I understand that Registration will be revoked if I do not accept these conditions.

PRIVACY & PHOTOGRAPHY POLICY

WGHS P&C NC will, to the best of its ability, protect and respect your privacy and personal information at all times. Details are collected purely for the purpose of sporting registration with PlayHQ and insurance with our parent bodies, Netball Australia, Netball NSW and NSNA.

During grading, an individual's playing history may be shared with the grading team for the purpose of team placement.

Throughout the season photographs may be shared on our official social media platforms, in club communications and end of season publications to celebrate Club achievements. IF YOU DO NOT WISH YOUR CHILD'S PHOTO TO BE PUBLISHED, PLEASE LET US KNOW by emailing wghsnetball@gmail.com, with the subject line DO NOT PUBLISH including your full name and your child/ren's name/s.

PLAYERS' CODE OF CONDUCT 2024

1. I will play safely, fairly and within the rules and spirit of the game.
2. I will respect the opposition, umpires and coach/es at all times.
3. I will follow the appropriate guidelines when requesting clarification from an Umpire.
4. I will speak respectfully to others at all times.
5. I will treat all players as I would like to be treated.
6. I will be a good sport, role model and always set an example.
7. I will thank the other team, umpires and coaches at the end of the game.
8. I will immediately notify a WGHS or NSNA Official on duty should any assistance be required at a game.
9. I will attend every game and training with a positive attitude and participate to the best of my ability.
10. I will listen to my coach/es and apply feedback to my game.
11. I will seek assistance and clarification if I am unsure and work with others to develop my knowledge.
12. I will co-operate with and be polite to my coach, manager, opposition, officials and teammates at all times.
13. I will be punctual and prepared for all games and training, including: nails short and smooth, no jewellery and in the correct uniform.
14. I will commit to attending all training and games, unless unwell. In which case I will communicate with the Coaching Convenor (wghscoach@gmail.com), Coach/es and/or Manager at least 24 hours prior.
15. I will NOT attend training/game if I feel unwell* and will notify the appropriate people as soon as possible. (*as per health & safety guidelines at the time.)

PARENT/GUARDIAN/SPECTATORS' CODE OF CONDUCT

1. I will attend games to support, spectate and celebrate my child/ren and the opposition.
2. I will follow any and all health, safety and wellbeing guidelines, as required at the time.
3. I will follow all instructions of NSNA and WGHSNC Netball Officials.
4. I will ensure to engage and support respectfully with the team Coaches and Managers.
5. I will encourage my child and the team to play within the rules of the game and show respect to all officials.
6. I will be respectful, supportive, fair and courteous at all times.
7. I will immediately notify a WGHS or NSNA Official on duty should any assistance be required at a game.
8. I will work together with all parties to communicate all Team, Club & Association messages to team members/families in a timely manner and to use team communications for netball related matters only.
9. I acknowledge that sporting competitions rely on the help of volunteers and will do my best to support my child/ren's team/s, including but not limited to scoring the games, ensuring punctuality to training & games etc.
10. I will accept the decision of the Club in relation to team grading and acknowledge any withdrawal of my child due to grading will forfeit the registration fee.
11. I acknowledge and will observe that dogs, or pets of any kind, are NOT permitted at netball games on competition days.