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## **TAB A – GRADING SCHEDULE & PARAMETERS**

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### **1. First Fixtures**

All Clubs to complete teams in the database by 5pm on the day of Final Fixtures

All teams to be named as follows:

Club – Team Number – Team Name (Optional)

e.g. WNA 1 or WNA 1 Peach

**No changes are permitted by clubs after closure of final fixtures.**

**Any additional players after this time will need to be approved as per Late Player Registration, listed below.**

**All teams to have at least 7 players and no more than 12 players or will not be accepted.**

WNA Registrar will send list of new players only to each club Registrar. Clubs are to provide player history for each player at the NSG & New Player Grading Meeting. Where time permits, clubs will email details to the WNA Registrar prior to the meeting, so that the information can be collated and forwarded to all clubs.

Player History require:

Last Club/Association and the year played

Last Division/Grade played (including the division/grade for that Association if possible)

Representative experience

Any injuries that may impact ability

### **2. Registrar Meeting – NSG & New Player Grading**

The WNA Registrar & 1 Registrar for each club (or representative if Registrar unavailable) will meet to discuss NSG & New Player Grading. The WNA Secretary will be present to take minutes.

#### **NSG**

Teams to be sorted and graded as per below. If this grouping does not suit due to numbers, then the grading will be decided at the Registrar meeting. Players can play in an older age category, but not younger.

NetSetGo A – 8-9 year olds

NetSetGo B – 7-8 year olds

NetSetGo C – 5-7 year olds (7 year olds in this division must be 1<sup>st</sup> year players)

#### **Divisions**

New players to be discussed and allocated points as per grading table for players up to and including 15 years old. Players older than 15 will be given points after discussion and agreement by club Registrars.

### **3. Points & Division Placement**

WNA Registrar will calculate team totals. The top 7 player's points for each team will be added to give the team total. The teams will then be placed in order of points.

The teams are to be placed into 9 divisions. All teams with less than 600 points will be graded into Division 9. The remainder of the teams will be divided equally, with extra teams being placed from Division 1 down.

Examples:

- 42 teams (excluding Division 9) – Division 1 & 2 would have 6 teams, and the remainder would have 5.
- 47 teams (excluding Division 9) – Division 1-7 would have 6 teams, and Division 8 would have 5.

If 2 teams are on the same points where a grade split occurs, then the team average will decide.

WNA Registrar then checks that the teams are within the Age guidelines (see point 7). If a team is not within the age guideline for their division, the WNA Registrar will contact the club to sort out the best solution.

### **4. First Fixtures**

WNA Executive & Club Registrars will meet to discuss concerns with regard to any team placement. Any changes to divisions will be voted on at the meeting. The WNA Secretary will be present to take minutes.

### **5. Fixtures Complete**

WNA Registrar will update the netball database and advise clubs when the divisions have been finalised online.

### **6. Late Player Registration**

#### **NSG**

Any club that would like to add a player to a NSG team after Final Fixtures must submit a request to WNA Registrar. The WNA Registrar will check that the player is the correct age to fit within the guidelines for the NSG grouping. WNA Registrar will confirm/reject the application by email to the club.

### **Divisional Player**

Any club that would like to add a player to a team after Final Fixtures must submit a request to the WNA Registrar via the Late Player Registration request form. The WNA Registrar will check that the player points & recalculate the team total. The late player can only be added to the team if their points do not affect the divisional placement of the team. WNA Registrar will confirm/reject the application by email to the club.

If the player is within the grading parameters of the team, the WNA Registrar will add the player to the team in the netball database.

If the player is not within the grading parameters of the team, the request will be declined.

There will be no re-grading of any team after competition starts.

## **7. Age Guidelines**

Teams with players that are 13 and under should only be submitted with a maximum of 2 years between age of the oldest and youngest player.

The minimum age for playing Division 1 is 13 years old. There can only be a maximum of 2 x 13 year olds in a Division 1 team.

Division 5-9 will have age restriction as per below table. If a team falls into a Division where their players are over the age limit, the WNA registrar will move the team to the appropriate division for the age of the player.

Division 1	Minimum age 13 years old – Maximum of 2 per team
Division 2	
Division 3	
Division 4	
Division 5	Up to 17 years old
Division 6	Up to 14 years old
Division 7	Up to 13 years old
Division 8	Up to 12 years old
Division 9	Up to 11 years old

## 8. Grading Parameters – WNA players returning from Previous Season.

Points are given for previous year, and then adjusted by the team's position at the end of regular season and end of Grand Final. A player's points will be based on the team that they were in at the end of the season, regardless of how many games they played.

Where a player changed teams during the season, the points will be based on the team that the player was with at the end of the season.

Division 1	200
Division 2	190
Division 3	180
Division 4	170
Division 5	160
Division 6	150
Division 7	140
Division 8	130
Division 9	120
Net Set Go	0

Points for previous year division:

- End of Regular Rounds
  - +5 points for finishing 1<sup>st</sup>
  - +4 points for finishing 2<sup>nd</sup>
  - 4 points for finishing second last (Divisions 1-4 only)
  - 5 points for finishing last (Divisions 1-4 only)
- Grand Final
  - +5 points for finishing 1<sup>st</sup>
  - +4 points for finishing 2<sup>nd</sup>
  - 4 points for finishing second last (Divisions 1-4 only)
  - 5 points for finishing last (Divisions 1-4 only)
- Additional points
  - +2 points for a Representative Player current season.
  - +1 points for a Development Player current season.

## 9. Grading Parameters – Players new to WNA

### New Players 10-15 years old

For players that did not play the previous WNA season

Age Range for New Players	Equivalent Division	Points
15	Division 4	170
14	Division 5	160
13	Division 6	150
12	Division 7	140
11	Division 8	130
10	Division 9	0

### New Players 16+

All players 16+ will require player history supplied by their club. The club Registrar will decide the appropriate WNA division for new players using their playing history. The player will be assigned points as follows:

Division 1	200
Division 2	190
Division 3	180
Division 4	170

### New Player - no history

Any player submitted without history will be automatically assigned 200 points.

## 10. Re-grading Request

All