Netball Conditions of Play

John McVeity Centre - City of Playford



The City of Playford accepts no responsibility or liability in respect of injury, loss or damage suffered by any person whilst at its Centres.

Centre management reserves the right to make the final interpretation on all conditions contained within.

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1. Declaration

As the team contact and/or captain, I:

- 1.1. Acknowledge I am the liaison between the JMC and the team, and will ensure any communication from the Centre is communicated to all team members.
- 1.2. Shall ensure our team will participate in all matches programmed for the season, and understand I am responsible for arranging payment of registrations fees, match fees, forfeit fines and withdrawal fees.
- 1.3. I have read and agree to abide by the JMC Sporting Competitions Rules and Regulations, Conditions of Play & Codes of Conduct/Behaviour.
- 1.4. Understand we participate in JMC Sporting Competitions at our own risk, and understand the referee/umpire or the JMC/City of Playford are not liable for any injuries or losses that may arise from participating in a JMC Sports Competition.

2. Interpretation

- 2.1. Day to day interpretation of these Conditions of Play (COP) shall be the responsibility of Centre Management.
- 2.2. Matches will be played according to the Official Rules recognised by Netball Australia (NA) and the International Netball Federation (INF), revised 2020, subject to domestic rulings as per these Conditions of Play.

3. Definitions

- 3.1. The game is designed for single sex competition.
- 3.2. 'Team' means a maximum of 12 participating players, in any one game.
- 3.3. The term 'members' refers to players, volunteers, coaches, spectators, officials, administrators, staff and parents.
- 3.4. The term 'borrowed player' refers to players already registered with one team filling in for an additional team
- 3.5. The term 'fill in' refers to an individual player who is not registered to a team
- 3.6. An 'asterisk (*)' is a minimum one-week suspension (with a one week suspension sentence) issued to a member by an official or management. Note a suspension form must be completed by the officiating umpire and signed by the Court Sports Customer Service Officer.
- 3.7. 'Activities' refers to all sports and programs offered by the City of Playford Recreation Centres.

4. Player and Team Registration

4.1. All players must register on or before their third match. Each competition requires a separate registration and all registration cease at the end of any one season.

4.2. The penalty for playing an unregistered player is automatic loss of the match or matches in which the offence occurred (refer to COP 16. Illegal Players).

5. Team and Player Responsibility

- 5.1. A team shall be responsible for the conduct of its members, officials and spectators whilst within the John McVeity Centre or their grounds and Council owned land.
- 5.2. Players are encouraged to read the JMC Codes of Behaviour as per the 'Play By The Rules' guidelines. Visit www.playbytherules.net.au or ask for a copy.

6. Uniforms

- 6.1. All teams will be given three weeks grace to obtain the correct uniform. All teams (including all team members) must be in correct uniform on the date of their fourth match of the season, and for every match thereafter. New players must be in correct uniform on the date of their fourth match (refer below for major rounds).
- 6.2. Players not in correct uniform for finals matches will not be eligible to take the court until the correct uniform is worn. It is the responsibility of the team contact to ensure that the entire team is in correct uniform for finals matches.
- 6.3. Players are permitted to wear skirts, shorts, bike pants or ¾ track pants, ¾ leggings and full length leggings. Turned or rolled up pants are not permitted. All players must be in matching colour uniform. When players are wearing shorts COP 6.6 applies.
- 6.4. Singlet type tank tops are permitted. Suitable undergarments must be worn (e.g. crop top).
- 6.5. Skins will be permitted.
- 6.6. Track pants, cargo shorts and open pockets in uniforms are not permitted. Taping or stapling of pockets is not acceptable, including the first three weeks of the season.
- 6.7. Where a colour clash occurs, the first named team on the program/scoresheet is responsible for wearing an alternate uniform or bibs (bibs available from Reception for clash of colour use only).
- 6.8. Approved non-marking sports footwear must be worn.
- 6.9. Medic Alert bracelets shall be permitted if taped or covered by a sports band.
- 6.10. Sharp adornments, items of jewellery (including beads in hair, metal hair clips and visible body piercings) or fingernails protruding above the tops of fingers are not permitted. Wedding rings must be taped and remain covered at all times, or alternatively removed. If sports gloves are worn the Umpires must approve them prior to the commencement of play. (refer to JMC Body Piercing Release Form)
- 6.11. Fingernails shall be cut short and filed smooth or netball gloves are to be worn.

- 6.12. No match shall be delayed beyond the scheduled starting time to permit any offence to be rectified. The late arrival rule shall apply (refer to COP 11. Late Arrivals).
- 6.13. The umpire shall have the power to prohibit any player from participating in a match where a player's uniform is not in compliance with the provisions of these Conditions of Play.

7. Player Eligibility

- 7.1. Players must have turned 16 years old to be eligible to participate in senior competitions (may be subject to approval of an age exemption).
- 7.2. Any member who is, in the opinion of Centre Management or the Umpire Coordinator, under the influence of intoxicating liquor or drugs may be deemed ineligible to play.
- 7.3. Players wishing to play/fill in for another team may do so, given they have obeyed the rules below;
 - 7.3.1. No player shall play more than two (2) games per round
 - 7.3.2. No more than three (3) players from one team can play for another team at one time.
 - 7.3.3. Borrowed players must fill in the required section on the scoresheet prior to the commencement of the game.
 - 7.3.4. Please note; Borrowed players are not eligible for finals.
 - 7.3.5. Breaching any of the above rules may result in a forfeit or loss of points
- 7.4. Players wishing to make a permanent transfer between two teams must gain approval from the Court Sports Customer Service Officer email: adyer@playford.sa.gov.au
- 7.5. No player shall play in finals matches unless they have played at least three matches for that respective team and has completed the player registration requirements for that team. Team contacts are required to check at Reception, prior to finals, to ensure all players are qualified.
 - 7.5.1. All players must play a total of three (3) games to qualify for all finals games
 - 7.5.2. Please note; Byes do not count towards finals eligibility. There will not be any allowance to this rule.
 - 7.5.3. Any team that plays a player that has not qualified for finals will result in a forfeit.
 - 7.5.4. To ensure player eligibility is confirmed the team sheets must be filled in thoroughly each game (player signatures/ticked off on scoresheet).

8. Timing Conditions

- 8.1. Matches shall consist of four x 10 minute quarters. There will be a one minute changeover period between each quarter.
- 8.2. All teams should be present and prepared to play five minutes before the scheduled time of the match.

- 8.3. The time clock shall be started on the scheduled starting time of the match as determined by the stadium clock.
- 8.4. The time clock shall not be stopped except in semi-finals and grand finals for injury, illness, disciplinary action, or any other cause (refer to COP 9. Injury time & blood policy)
- 8.5. In semi-finals, time will only be held in the last two minutes of the final quarters (up to two minutes only)
- 8.6. During all finals matches each team is required to provide a scorer (refer to COP 12. Scorers)
- 8.7. Unless the Centre Management consents to an alteration, matches shall be played on the dates and at the times listed in the match program. The clock in the stadium will determine the starting time.
- 8.8. Umpires shall have control of the clock unless otherwise directed or stated by the umpire.

9. Injury time and blood policy

- 9.1. The time clock will not be stopped for injury, illness or for the blood rule during minor rounds (refer to Rule 9.3 in the INF Rules of Netball, 2020).
- 9.2. The time clock will be stopped for injury, illness or for the blood rule during semi-finals and grand finals (refer to Rule 9.3 in the INF Rules of Netball, 2020).
- 9.3. When bleeding occurs play must stop immediately. The player concerned must leave the court until bleeding has stopped and the wound securely covered. The player may not return to the court until the bleeding has stopped and contaminated clothing has been changed. Replaced clothing may be of any colour/style. The player may then be substituted back onto the court.
- 9.4. The cleaning of equipment and surfaces which have been contaminated by players blood are the responsibility of the player and/or their team (gloves, etc. available from Reception).
- 9.5. All cases of stoppage of play will be controlled by the Court Supervisor or Umpires.

10. Abandoned Matches

In unforeseen circumstances, Centre Management reserves the right to abandon a game (e.g. power failure, poor weather conditions, equipment failure, court damage).

- 10.1. Where less than half of the match has been played (including no play at all) -
 - 10.1.1. Both teams will be awarded 10 goals and one premiership point each.
 - 10.1.2. Teams can submit a score sheet. All players whose names appear on the score sheet will be credited with having played one match. The score sheet must be handed in to Reception at the time of abandonment.
 - 10.1.3. No teams will be required to pay match fees.
- 10.2. Where one half or more of the game has been played -
 - 10.2.1. Scores and player recording will be recorded as if the match was completed.

- 10.2.2. Both teams are required to pay the standard match fee.
- 10.3. Where a replay is not viable and in the event that a semi-final or grand final is abandoned the higher ranked team will progress and/or be deemed the winner of the match (e.g. 1 v 2 match = 1 will progress).

Inappropriate behaviour is exempt from 10.3 as per the Centre's Code of Conduct. Umpires have the right to use discretion if a team has displayed inappropriate behaviour and is the higher ranked team.

11. Late Arrivals

- 11.1. If a team does not have five players ready to commence play at the scheduled starting time, the non-offending team shall be awarded one goal for every minute or part thereof until the commencement of play or period of five minutes has elapsed. If a team still does not have five players on court ready to commence play after a period of five minutes from the scheduled starting time, an un-notified forfeit will be declared (refer COP 13. Scoresheets).
- 11.2. The umpires, prior to the commencement of play, will record goals awarded for late arrivals on the score sheet.
- 11.3. As per the INF Rules of Netball, 2020
 - 11.3.1. A player who arrives after the start of a match must be checked by an umpire before taking the court to ensure they meet the requirements of (COP 6. Uniforms)
 - 11.3.2. A late player may not immediately replace a player who is already on the court but may be used subsequently as a substitute.
 - 11.3.3. If the position has been left vacant the late player may, after advising the umpire, take the court immediately after: (a) A goal has been scored (in this case the late player must play in the position left vacant). (b) A stoppage for injury/illness or blood. (c) An interval.
 - 11.3.4. If the position has been left vacant the late player may not enter the match while play is in progress.

Sanction for (11.3.1), (11.3.2), (11.3.3), and (11.3.4): The player is sent from the court until the correct time for entry. Penalty pass to the opposing team where the ball was when play was stopped and an infringing team player allowed in the playing area stands out of play for the penalty.

12. Scorers

- 12.1. Each team shall provide a competent scorer (12 years and over) by the end of the first quarter and remainder of the match. They are responsible for correctly filling out the score sheet including recording each goal, centre pass and substitutions.
- 12.2. Penalty for not providing a scorer by the end of the first quarter shall be two (2) goals awarded to the opposition team. Once the two (2) goals have been awarded, they cannot be revoked, even if a scorer becomes available (the two (2) goals will be awarded at the first quarter time interval). If only one team can provide a scorer, the scorer is permitted to score for both teams.
- 12.3. Scorers and timekeepers shall sit together at all times.

- 12.4. If neither team has a scorer, a player from each team must leave the court to act as a scorer for the respective teams.
- 12.5. Teams must provide a scorer for all finals rounds.

13. Score sheets

- 13.1. The team captain is required to ensure that only the names of players present and ready to play in the match are written on the official score sheet.
- 13.2. The captain of each team shall be responsible for handling his/her team's score sheet and payment of the match fee to the Centre Receptionist before each match.
- 13.3. Both the player's first name and surname must be recorded on the score sheet. Incomplete or illegible names on score sheets may result in the player not being credited with playing that match.
- 13.4. Late arrival players who are ready to play will have their names included on the official match score sheet by the scorer. Late arrivals are required to be checked for correct uniform by the umpire prior to play. (Refer to COP 11. Late Arrivals)
- 13.5. The penalty for incorrect or incomplete player details is an illegal player penalty (refer to COP 16. Illegal Players)
- 13.6. Once signed by the Umpire, score sheets cannot be altered.
- 13.7. The team contact/captain of each team shall be responsible for handing his/her team game receipt to one of the match umpires before the start of the match. Umpires must be in possession of both team receipts before the game will commence. The time clock shall be started on the scheduled starting time of the match, as determined by the stadium clock.

14. Forfeits

Any team forfeiting more than two (2) times in a season may, at the Centre Managements discretion, be suspended from the competition.

All fines are to be paid before the next scheduled game/match unless a payment plan arrangement has been approved. If payment is late and no payment plan has been arranged the team may be deducted 1 ladder point each week the fine is outstanding OR all future results will be treated as forfeits until payment is made.

If fines are not paid, the matter will be taken up with Council's debt collectors and the team may be withdrawn from the competition.

- 14.1. Notified and un-notified forfeit conditions;
 - 14.1.1. Forfeit notifications will only be accepted from the team contact/captains as listed in the Sport Fix database.
 - 14.1.2. The team contact/captain must notify the Centre of a forfeit by phone on 8480 0100 if the next scheduled game is less than 48 hours away (voicemail messages are not accepted as a form of notification). If there is more than 48 hours until the next scheduled game a notification by email to adyer@playford.sa.gov.au will be accepted.

- 14.1.3. The non-forfeiting team will be awarded a score of twenty (20) points to nil (0) and four (4) premiership points.
- 14.1.4. In the case of an un-notified forfeit where the non-forfeiting team is present, all players present are to be credited with having played one match. Refer to COP 13. Scoresheets.
- 14.1.5. See table below for Forfeit Fine Structure

| All Competitions | \$0.00. No fine will be issued to Teams who have notified John |
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| | McVeity Centre staff 48 hours before their next scheduled game. |
| All Senior Competitions | \$40.00 fine, less than 48 hours' notice. |
| | \$80.00 fine, no notification. |
| Junior Competitions | \$25.00 fine, less than 48 hours' notice |
| | \$40.00 fine, no notification. |

- 14.2. If a team does not have five players on the court ready to commence play and a scorer within five minutes of the scheduled starting time, the match shall be declared an un-notified forfeit and COP 11. Late Arrivals will apply. The advertised forfeit fine is to be paid before their next scheduled game.
- 14.3. If both teams do not have five players and a scorer within 10 minutes of the scheduled starting time the match shall be declared an un-notified double forfeit. Both teams are to pay the advertised forfeit fine before their next scheduled game.
- 14.4. In the case of an un-notified forfeit both teams may mutually agree to play a scratch match. Whether a scratch match is played or not, the non-forfeiting team will be awarded a score of twenty (20) points to nil (0) and four (4) premiership points. If a scratch match is played, normal match fees will apply to both teams, not an un-notified forfeit fee. If a scratch match is not played, the forfeiting team will be required to pay an un-notified forfeit fee.
- 14.5. Any team which forfeits more than twice in a season or fields only five players more than three times in a season may, at Management's discretion, be withdrawn from the competition.
- 14.6. Where a match is in progress and one team does not have five players ready to recommence play, after a period of five minutes the match shall be declared a forfeit. If less than one half of the game has been played the forfeiting team will be required to pay the normal match fee. The non-forfeiting team will have their match fee rolled over to their next scheduled game.
 - 14.6.1. The non-forfeiting team will be awarded four premiership points and is not required to pay a match fee. Both teams will be awarded the goals actually scored up to the time of the forfeit (this also applies to games called off for misconduct).

If one half or more of the match has been played both teams are required to pay normal match fees (the match result will be recorded as in COP 10. Abandoned Matches).

15. Drawn Games

- 15.1. In minor round matches, a drawn game shall be considered a legal result.
- 15.2. In the event of a draw in any major round the teams shall, after a rest of two minutes, change ends and play two additional periods of five minutes each. After the completion of the first five minutes the team shall, with a one minute half time break, change ends and

complete the second five minute period. No substitution shall be allowed at the change. In the event of injury/illness during the two additional periods of play, the injured/ill player may be replaced, and playing positions for both teams may be changed.

If the result is still a draw, teams will change ends and recommence play. The first team to gain a two goal lead will be declared the winner.

16. Illegal Players

- 16.1. Illegal players will be defined as the following:
 - Not registered on the date of their fourth match
 - Failing to pay the appropriate admission/team fee
 - Non-observation of clearance regulations
 - Playing for more than two teams within the same competition division (refer COP 4.
 Player & Team Registration and COP 7. Player Eligibility)
 - Non-qualification for finals matches
 - Playing whilst under suspension
 - Playing under an assumed name
 - Playing an over-age player (junior competitions only, exemption by Management permission). Centre Management reserves the right to ask players for identification
 - Incomplete player details recorded on score sheet.
- 16.2. The penalty for playing illegal players is an automatic loss of that match or matches in which the offence occurred. The team fielding the illegal player will have their score reverted to 0. The opposition team score stands. In major round matches the penalty is automatic withdrawal from finals.
- 16.3. A player playing under an assumed name, or a coach playing a player under an assumed name will be reported for misconduct. The team shall lose all premiership points gained up until the time at which the offence was discovered.
- 16.4. If a complaint is lodged regarding a person playing under an assumed name or playing out of the correct age group, proof of age/identification shall be required.

17. Fines and Fees

- 17.1. Any team neglecting to pay a fine or fees within the stipulated time will have their premiership points withheld until all fines/fees are paid.
- 17.2. Centre Management has the right to withdraw the nomination of any team from the competition if fines or fees remain outstanding.
- 17.3. Any member or team that has overdue fines or fees may be refused entry into a competition, until such fines/fees have been paid.

18. Team Withdrawal

On being accepted into any competition, the team agrees to play all scheduled matches, including finals. A team withdrawing at any stage after acceptance into the competition or during the season will incur a withdrawal fee as set by the Centre, payable within 10 working days.

Teams have a choice when withdrawing from a competition:

 Play two matches and then incur no additional withdrawal fees following these two matches (forfeiture of either match will incur a forfeit fine) - Pay two notified forfeit fines and be removed from the competition immediately. Should your team be contemplating withdrawing from the competition, please contact the Court Sports Customer Service Officer at the John McVeity Centre to discuss the situation.

19. Umpires

- 19.1. The umpires shall have control of the game and make decisions in accordance with the Official Rules authorised by the International Netball Federation (INF) and the JMC's Conditions of Play.
- 19.2. Umpires may report any member, including players, team officials, supporters and spectators if, in their opinion, they display any form of misconduct which brings the game or the Centre into disrepute.
- 19.3. Umpires shall wear appropriate attire that are preferably white or cream in colour and ensure they wear appropriate sporting footwear.

20. Umpire Training and Grading

- 20.1. Matches in any competition may be used for the training and/or grading of umpires.
- 20.2. Umpires participating in the Coloured Shirt Program (indicated by wearing a green shirt) are not to be questioned by any coach, player or spectator. Refer any enquiries to the second match umpire or Court Supervisor or Court Sports Customer Service Officer.

21. Team Penalties

- 21.1. When a game is abandoned due to poor team conduct and the non-offending team is ahead, the score at the time of the stoppage shall stand. If the non-offending team is behind the game will be awarded in their favour and the score will be recorded as 20-0.
- 21.2. Umpires have the authority to forfeit a game if teams do not assist umpires to control their members. Umpires must identify the offending team and COP 14 will apply. If both teams are offending then both will be required to pay an un-notified forfeit fee.
- 21.3. A team whose players, whether they be an individual player, different players on each occasion or the team as whole, continually breach conduct rules (also refer to COP 23. Misconduct& Penalties) may, at the discretion of Management, be withdrawn from the competition.

22. Clearances

- 22.1. A player must obtain a clearance in writing from the team contact of the team he/she last played with before transferring to another team within the same competition. The clearance must be lodged at Reception and agreed to by the Centre before the player commences playing in her/his new team. Clearances between seasons are not required. A clearance is only required once a player has played three matches in one team, from this point they may not play in another team in the same grade permanently during the minor or major round matches. Centre Management will hear disputes on clearance upon request.
- 22.2. A player is entitled to only one clearance per season.

22.3. A player will not be granted a clearance whilst unfinancial to the team or while under suspension by a tribunal recognised by the Centre. Clearances may also be refused if the team she/he last played for is adversely affected, i.e. playing strength or team numbers. A player who transfers from one team to another must not have any fees or fines outstanding to the Centre.

23. Misconduct and Penalties

- 23.1. All members including players, coaches, volunteers, spectators, media, officials, administrators, staff, teachers and parents will abide by the JMC Code of Conduct/Behaviour (copies available at Reception).
- 23.2. Any member may be reported by any stadium official for any breach of the Code of Conduct.

As per the INF Rules of Netball – "The umpires apply the Rules of the Game fairly, communicate clearly and maintain a calm, decisive control. A player who infringes any part of the foul play rule [INF Rule 13.2] will be disciplined. Players on the court are expected to respond to rulings by the umpires and adjust their play accordingly.

INF 13.1 ACTIONS THAT MAY BE TAKEN BY UMPIRES

To manage a match the umpires may, in addition to the normal sanction, use any of the following actions:

- (a) Caution a player: a player is advised that the behaviour specified must change.
- (b) Issue a warning to a player: a player is warned that suspension will follow if the player continues to infringe the foul play rule.
- (c) Suspend a player: a player who is suspended takes no part in play for 2 minutes playing time.
- (d) Order a player off: a player who is ordered off takes no further part in the match.
- (ii) Normally an umpire will work through these actions in the order indicated unless an offence is serious enough to require a higher level of Game Management to be applied immediately.
- (iii) A decision to give a caution, a warning, to suspend a player or order a player off will be considered to have been made jointly by both umpires and is binding on the co-umpire.

23.3. A player may be sent off for:

- Abusive, threatening, or foul language towards umpires, players, or spectators
- Dissent towards an umpire (i.e. continual questioning of umpires decisions). Refer to 13.2.3 in the INF Rules of Netball
- Unduly rough play, or continued rough play (i.e. a player who continually and deliberately contacts, obstructs or breaches such rules) will be sent off
- Intimidating gestures or actions towards umpires, players, spectators
- Any action considered not in the spirit of the game

- Equipment abuse
- Any breach of the Centre's Code of Conduct or Official Netball Rules
- 23.4. Any player who is sent off for the remainder of the game, or whose conduct is deemed inappropriate may, at the discretion of the match officials/Umpires Coordinator/Management also incur a one week playing suspension including a one week suspended penalty from all competitions conducted at the John McVeity Centre City of Playford (an asterisk). This does not include byes, forfeits, no-game weeks, or season breaks. Players will be advised in writing of their recommencement date.
 - In an extreme case, an umpire may 'order off' a player without warning (i.e. any player striking, kicking, breaching the Code of Conduct or playing in a violent or dangerous manner). Any player 'ordered off' cannot be replaced at any time during the match.
- 23.5. When a centre player is sent off the court, the team shall move only one player to allow play to continue and that player shall continue to play as centre until the end of the send off period. At the end of this period both players must return to their original positions.
- 23.6. To identify a player sent off for the remainder of the game, an asterisk shall be placed by the player's name on the score sheet by the umpire prior to the sheet being handed in to Reception. The Umpire must also complete a Suspension Form explaining the details of the offence(s). The team contact or player shall be notified in writing.
- 23.7. If the umpire feels that the incident for which a player has been sent off requires a penalty other than a one-match suspension, the umpire may submit a written report to Centre Management. In which case the Centre Management may take action in accordance with COP 25 and the Code of Conduct.
- 23.8. Once a player has been sent off for the remainder of the game the offending player must leave the vicinity of the court through the entry/exit doors.
- 23.9. Any member reported for misconduct whilst in the facilities or the Centre or Council owned land at any time for netball oriented incidents are liable to a Centre Management inquiry. Action may be taken at the discretion of Centre Management.
- 23.10. Once a member has been reported the player will be ineligible to participate in any activities at the John McVeity Centre until an outcome from Management has been reached.
- 23.11. Officials must lodge report forms by 5pm the day following the offence.
- 23.12. Suspended penalties shall remain in force for six months for asterisk infringements and 12 months for misconduct infringements, from the date of issue.

24. Protests and Complaints

- 24.1. Complaints arising as a result of any circumstances or breach of the Code of Conduct shall be dealt with in the following manner:
 - Referred to the Court Supervisor or Customer Service Officer on shift if available
 - Lodged in writing to the Court Sports Customer Service Officer or Centre Management within four working days

- Match related incidents complaints may also be registered by completing a 'Customer Feedback Form' from Reception or email the Court Sports Customer Service Officer adyer@playford.sa.gov.au .Forms are to be lodged within four working days of the incident.
- 24.2. Complaints concerning discrimination and harassment have the right to lodge a complaint directly with the Equal Opportunity Commission. For matters concerning child abuse the Centre will refer complaints directly to the police or relevant state authority.
- 24.3. Non-match related complaints may be lodged at any time.

25. Player reports and management inquiries

- 25.1. After receiving a report or complaint a management inquiry will be conducted. The purpose of the investigation is to establish what occurred and, if so, what action should be taken to resolve the matter. The centres CCTV technology can and may be used for investigation purposes to support misconduct reports or management inquiries.
- 25.2. Management will contact any members that have been reported for misconduct after receiving the report.
- 25.3. Where a junior player is involved the offence shall be reported to the parent/guardian. Where a player playing for a school team is involved, the offence shall be reported to the school.
- 25.4. The report/complaint will be dealt with by/in:
 - Interviewing both parties separately over the phone or in person
 - Interviewing all relevant witnesses over the phone or in person
 - An impartial and confident manner, with accurate records kept of the process
 - Suspension periods may apply (refer Appendix JMC Suspension Guidelines).
- 25.5. Centre Management shall have the right to impose penalties for infringements where such penalties are not already contained in these COP or the INF Rules of Netball.
- 25.6. If a suspension period applies the player will be notified in writing and/or phone of the outcome of the investigation. Members who appeal suspension periods are ineligible to participate in any activities at the John McVeity Centre until an outcome of the appeal has been reached.
- 25.7. Should a player/spectator's details not be on file at the Recreation Centre, the team contact will receive notification of a person's suspension and/or outcome of the investigation, and it is the responsibility of the team contact to notify the person of the suspension and/or outcome of the investigation.
- 25.8. Reasonable attempts will be made to contact a reported person, however, should a reported person fail to return contact to Centre Management within four days of the offence, guilt will be assumed and a suspension will be issued in accordance with the Centre Guidelines.
- 25.9. Once a member has been suspended, the member will be suspended from all social sporting activities at the John McVeity Centre and must not enter the John McVeity Centre facility or its grounds unless approval has been sought in consultation with Centre Management.

26. Appeals

- 26.1. The member who has been reported has the right to appeal the decision of the management inquiry. Appeals are to be lodged in writing within four working days of the date of management's letter or phone call notifying the result of the inquiry.
- 26.2. An independent person not involved with the original investigation will conduct the appeals.
- 26.3. Members must include valid grounds for the appeal. This includes when Management's decision is at fault in matters of procedure, bias, or fairness, if other witnesses have come to light, or when new information is to be provided.
- 26.4. Management will endeavour to organise the appeal process as soon as reasonably practicable, along with notification of the decision. Members are not permitted to participate in any activities whilst the appeal process is taking place.
- 26.5. Appeals should be addressed to:

The Manager
John McVeity Centre
City of Playford
12 Bishopstone Road
Davoren Park SA 5113

Information relating to misconduct reports can be sort through lodging a freedom of information form available on the City of Playford website – www.playford.sa.gov.au

27. Equipment

- 27.1. Unless otherwise stated, the Centre shall provide match balls.
- 27.2. Members must ensure non match netballs or other sporting equipment are not used whilst the match is in progress.
- 27.3. If an overhead basketball ring interferes with a shot for goal, pass or throw-in, the shot, pass or throw in shall be re-taken by the original player.
- 27.4. Any form of equipment abuse will be severely dealt with (refer to Penalty/Suspension Guidelines).

28. Use of Cameras and filming equipment

Any person wanting to use a camera or other filming/recording device (including mobile phones) within the Centre must first obtain the verbal permission of both match umpires, opposition team coach and all parent/guardians of junior players, prior to undertaking any such activity.