



EASTERN SUBURBS SCHOOLS CUP

Competition Rules



The Eastern Suburbs Schools Cup is a school competition to provide Eastern Suburbs primary and secondary school students with the opportunity to enjoy netball in an inclusive and enjoyable environment.



1. SCHOOLS CUP FORMAT

1.1 There are 418 schools in the eastern suburbs

1.2 Schools Cup shall comprise of:

1.2.1 Two Gala Days

- (i) Year 4,5,6 Mixed – Teams shall comprise of a maximum of twelve (12) girls/boys in Primary School Years 4/5/6. Players may only represent/play in one (1) team.
- (ii) Year 7/8 Girls – Teams shall comprise of a maximum of twelve (12) girls in Secondary School Years 7/8. Players may only represent/play in one (1) team.
- (iii) Year 7/8 Mixed Girls/Boys – Teams shall comprise of a maximum of twelve (12) Mixed Girls/boys in Secondary School Years 7/8. Players may only represent/play in one (1) team.
- (iv) Year 9/10 Girls – Teams shall comprise of a maximum of twelve (12) girls in Secondary School Years 9/10. Players may only represent/play in one (1) team.
- (v) Year 11/12 Teams shall comprise of a maximum of twelve (12) girls in Secondary School Years 11/12. Players may only represent/play in one (1) team.

1.3 The Competition shall comprise of one gala day: (i) Phase 1 – Schools Cup Local Day will be held in Term 1

2. GRADING PROCEDURE

2.1 Gala Day

For Gala Day of the competition the following Grading Procedures apply:

2.1.1 An individual school is able to enter a maximum of four (4) teams per competitive division in one (1) Local day. Exemptions to this rule may be granted from Randwick Netball Association where venue and team entries allow.

2.1.2 Registrations will be confirmed on a first application basis. Once the maximum number of teams for the venue has been reached registrations will close, even if prior to the specified close of registration date.

2.1.4 Gala Day Teams will be divided into pools and play in a round robin format for the day. No finals series will be played. Schools will be allocated to pools based on competition as indicated on the Schools Cup entry form.

(i) Competition Category – scores will be kept and placing recorded.

2.1.5 Where possible, schools will not have two teams in the same pool.

2.1.5 Randwick Netball Association reserves the right to vary the number of allocated teams in each pool. The number of pools dependent upon the number of entries received.

3. COMPETITION RULES



3.1 Cost

3.1.1 All year Groups/Teams will be charged a one off, entry fee of **\$250.00** per team school will still be invoiced the full amount.

3.2 Insurance - Students participating in the Eastern Suburbs Schools Cup will be covered under Randwick Netball Association Public and Products Liability Insurance whilst participating in the gala day.

3.3 Communication

3.3.1 Randwick Netball Association will release the dates for each phase of the Schools Cup in the year prior to the competition.

3.3.2 Team confirmation, event details and venues of the competition will be emailed to the school contact at least

3.4 one (1) week prior to the commencement of the competition where possible. The draw for all phases will be emailed to the school contact at least one (1) day before the competition.

3.4.1 Playing Conditions

Matches will be played on preferably hard netball courts. Courts are to be prepared, marked and maintained to a standard required by Randwick Netball Association and in accordance with the current rules of the game.

3.4.2 The courts and weather conditions shall be inspected by Randwick Netball Association Staff one (1) hour and thirty (30) minutes prior to the commencement of round one (1). A decision will be made as per the Randwick Netball Association Adverse Weather Conditions Policy. In the case of unsuitable playing conditions, a message will appear on Randwick Netball Association Website no later than one (1) hour before the commencement of round one (1) advising the postponement of the day.

In the case of unsuitable playing conditions, one wet weather date will be allocated by RNA. If one of these dates is required to be utilised, Randwick Netball Association staff will advise the school/team contact via email by 5pm on the original date of competition.

3.6 Match Duration and Match Format

3.6.1 Games will be centrally timed and consist of twelve (12) minute halves with two (2) minutes for half time and four (4) minutes between games. Randwick Netball Association reserves the right to alter the match format dependent upon the number of entries received.

3.6.2 Injury time can be taken by teams; however, the time will not be stopped or added onto games, including games played in the Finals series.

3.7 Scoring and Ladders

3.7.1 Each School/Team is to provide one (1) scorer. Scorers for each team will stand together on the sideline towards the middle of the court and both scorers must sign the scoresheet. The winning team at the conclusion of the game is to return the signed score sheet to event control.



3.7.2 A score sheet having been signed by both scorers and lodged with Randwick Netball Association staff will not be returned to any team for any correction. No disputes will be entered into once score sheets have been signed.

3.7.3 In circumstances where team officials of both teams testify that the score sheet submitted to Randwick Netball Association staff is incorrect and further, they agree on the correct score then Randwick Netball Association staff have the discretion to vary the official scores.

3.7.4 The competition shall be conducted on a points score basis

3.7.5 Schools Cup Points Table Win 2 Loss 0 Draw 1 Forfeit*2 Bye* 0

3.7.6 If during the competition schools finish on an equal number of points, a goal average will determine final placing. The goal average shall be determined by the total number of goals scored by the team, divided by the total number of goals scored against the team, multiplied by 100 and divided by the actual number of matches played by the team.

i.e. $\frac{\text{Goals scored} - \text{Goals scored against}}{\text{Matches played}} \times 100$

The number of matches actually played includes a match a team has forfeited but does not include a match where the team has received a forfeit.

3.8 Extra Time

3.8.1 If there is a draw in the semi-finals or grand finals of Phase 2 and/or 3, a one (1) minute interval shall be taken. During the interval the score will be verified, and the teams change ends. During the interval there may be substitutions and/or team changes. 3.8.2 The umpire will indicate which team has the next centre pass and play will commence. Then two (2) three (3) minute halves will be played to determine a winner. After the first three (3) minutes, teams must change ends as soon as possible.

3.8.3 If the game is still a draw at the end of the second three (3) minutes, a visual signal will indicate that play continues and the first team to score a two (2) goal advantage shall be declared the winner.

3.8.4 Winning Schools of the Regional Shields will have their name engraved on the plaques and can display the shield in their school for a period of 12 months. At the conclusion of 12 months the shield must be returned to Randwick Netball Association. Schools who are unable to return the shield/cup upon request from Randwick Netball Association will be invoiced for the cost associated with replacement of the shield.

3.9 Code of Behaviour – Players, Coaches, Umpires, Parents and Spectators are expected to abide by the Randwick Netball Association Codes of Behaviour found at

<https://nsw.netball.com.au/inside-netball-nsw/library/policies-forms/>

4. UMPIRING REQUIREMENTS

4.1 Schools attending will be required to supply one (1) umpire per team. It is expected that the umpires nominated have completed the Rules of Netball Theory exam online (free).

4.2 An 'umpire your own' system will be in place of the competition