

Bundaberg Netball Association



POLICY – Bundaberg Netball Association Player Sportsmanship Policy

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Player Offences

1. Any offence taking part on the court is to be reported by the umpires of the game, captain or coach of a team to the Bundaberg Netball Management Committee.
2. In the instance of a captain/coach making a report, both umpires from the game in question are required to submit a report on the game to the Bundaberg Netball Management Committee.
3. The name of player/s ordered off a match is to be reported by the umpires of the game to the Bundaberg Netball Association Management Committee in a written report.
4. At the time of the first offence the offending player is **placed on immediate probation** until the conclusion of the Special Review Meeting held by Bundaberg Netball management Committee.
5. The player/s and club officials will be notified and any repeated offences by the same player will be referred to a special meeting of the Bundaberg Netball Management Committee.
6. If the offence is of a major concern the matter can be referred to a judiciary on the first occurrence.
7. Any offence will remain on the players' record at the Association.

Process of Submitting a Report:

1. Complete an incident form, ensuring all details are complete and witnesses to the event or incident have been included and email it to the secretary at bundynetball@hotmail.com
2. Hand the form into BNA Rep in the Office who will then take a copy of the form and hand it back to the person completing the form.
3. BNA Rep will then provide form to BNA Secretary, who will email the BNA President the form.

- BNA Secretary will then call all persons listed on the form to provide their recall of events at a meeting of the judiciary panel (either in person or via email) at the earliest time possible.

Types of Offences

MINOR OFFENCES	MAJOR OFFENCES
Swearing Offensive Language Derogatory Comments	Verbal Threats Intimidation Reckless/Dangerous Play Physical Assault of another Person

Consequences

	Offence	1st Offence	2 nd Offence	3 rd Offence	Subsequence Offence
Player	Minor Swearing Offensive Language Derogatory Comments	Probation Letter to be sent to player and club officials	Suspension 2 fixture games in succession	Suspension 8 fixture games in succession	Removal for all games for the remainder of the season
	Major Verbal threats Intimidation Reckless/Dangerous Play Physical assault	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Immediate removal from the game Suspension 8 fixture games in succession 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Immediate removal from the game Suspension 8 fixture games in succession 	Removal for all games for the remainder of the season	

Probation

At the time of the first offence the offender and the club official will receive an official notification to attend a Special Review Meeting of the Bundaberg Netball Management Committee on the following Wednesday night. The meeting is to be attended by the offender and the reporter of the incident and any witnesses (including umpires) to the incident. The offender and their club will then receive a letter via email in the following 24 hours stating the offence and consequences. If probation is broken by another offence, the player will be automatically suspended for a period set down in this policy document.

Suspension

Suspension for minor offences will commence at 2 fixture games with a maximum of 8 fixture games. After which time should and infringement occur the player will be removed for all games for the remainder of the season.

Immediate suspension (no probation), of a period to be set by the Special Review Meeting Panel, will be enforced for the following offences:

- Excessive physical roughness during the game.
- Repetitive careless play with the possibility of harm.
- Any physical harassment during stoppages, including before and after the game.
- Verbal threats to another player, official, opposing coach and umpires.

ALL PROBATIONS AND SUSPENSIONS WILL BE IN WRITING TO THE PLAYER/NONPLAYER AND THEIR CLUB OFFICIALS AND RECORDED ON THE SCORESHEETS OF THE FOLLOWING GAMES.

THE RIGHT OF APPEAL IS AVAILABLE FOR ALL JUDGEMENTS AND PENALTIES. IT MUST BE LODGED WITHIN 48 HOURS OF RECEIPT OF THE OFFICIAL WRITTEN NOTIFICATION TO THE SECRETARY OF BUNDABERG NETBALL ASSOCIATION INC.

Please be aware that the Appeals Committee holds the right to lengthen or shorten the suspension period as they see fit.

Solving Complaints and Disputes

We endeavour to do our best when it comes to resolving issues within the Bundaberg Netball Association. Please contact any member of the Management Committee if you have any issues that need resolving or if you would like to make a complaint regarding a situation that has arisen. There is an official incident report form which is located at the office or you may put your concerns in writing and post it to PO Box 1016, Bundaberg Q 4670, or hand it to a Management Committee person or email it to the secretary at bundynetball@hotmail.com within 24 hours of the incident.