



MEMBER PROTECTION POLICY

Purpose

Netball Australia, Member Organisation, Darwin Netball Association, seek to provide a safe, fair and inclusive environment for everyone involved in netball.

To achieve this, Netball Australia, Member Organisation, Darwin Netball Association, require certain standards of behaviour of players/athletes, coaches, officials, administrators, parents/guardians (of child participants) and spectators.

Underpinning Values

Netball's codes of behaviour are underpinned by the following core values.

- To act within the rules and spirit of netball.
- To display respect and courtesy towards everyone involved in netball and prevent discrimination and harassment.
- To prioritise the safety and wellbeing of children and young people involved in netball.
- To encourage and support opportunities for participation in all aspects of netball.

Netball Australia further information

Netball Australia is committed to treating all people with respect, dignity and fairness. These values, along with the basic right of all netball members to participate in an environment that is enjoyable, safe and healthy, has resulted in Netball Australia developing specific objectives to create a safer and more tolerant sporting environment.

Netball is not immune to acts of discrimination, harassment and abuse and in fact shares the common features of most sporting environments where close physical and emotional relationships can develop and inappropriate or unlawful behaviour can take place.

Netball Australia is both ethically and legally responsible to prevent discrimination and more specifically harassment from occurring in netball. The adoption of the Netball Australia Member Protection Policy reflects Netball Australia's commitment to serving and protecting its members and participants throughout all levels of the sport. This Policy is only one component of the overall strategy and the implementation and enforcement of this Policy will require ongoing commitment from all levels of the sport.

The Policy also complements a range of other organisational policies including junior netball, umpire development, governance, finance, information technology and privacy policies. Through working together, the netball community can prevent discrimination and harassment and create a safe and supportive environment for all participants at all levels.

Member Protection Policy Website

<http://netball.com.au/get-involved/associations/member-protection-policy/>

Member Protection Policy Document

<http://netball.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2013/12/MemberProtectionPolicy-Effective1Jan2014.pdf>