2026 MONDAY OPEN SUMMER COMPETITION

LADIES & MIXED AGED 14+ YEARS (BORN IN 2012 AND OLDER)

INFORMATION, RULES & HOW TO ENTER

COMPETITION INFORMATION

DURATION

2 grading games + 15 rounds of competition + finals

CALENDAR

Grading games commence 13th July, 2026. Visit hdna.net.au/competitions for full competition dates.

GAME TIMES

Mondays at 6.00pm, 7.05pm and 8.10pm.

4 x 12 minute quarters

ELIGIBILITY

Ladies 14 years plus (born 2012+)
Mixed 14 years plus (born 2012+)

FEES

The cost per player for this competition is the total of these three amounts:

Netball Queensland social membership fee (players 16 years and older in 2026) **OR** Netball Queensland annual membership fee (players 14-15 years)	$44 **OR** $133
HDNA Competition fee (includes umpire fees)	$159
Club fee (determined by your club, not applicable to independent teams)	Check with your club

Non-playing members (coaches, umpires, managers, etc.) must complete a free non-player registration.

HOW TO ENTER

1. **NOMINATE:** All teams must be submitted via NetballConnect by 3rd July, 2026. Visit hdna.net.au/nominate for information about how to register your team(s).
2. **REGISTER:** Each player must complete a player registration in NetballConnect prior to their first game. Clubs will send a registration link to their players. Members of independent teams will receive a registration link via email from NetballConnect.
3. **ASSIGN:** Clubs must assign registered players to their teams in NetballConnect prior to the first game.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

AFFILIATIONS

All clubs and independent teams must affiliate to HDNA by either a FULL or SOCIAL Affiliation to be eligible to participate in HDNA competitions. You must complete the affiliation application form and make the appropriate payment via direct debit when you nominate your first team for the year. Affiliation fees must be paid prior to the first grading game. Affiliation forms can be found on our website at hdna.net.au/nominate.

Types of Membership

1. Full Affiliated Member - $110 ($60 Affiliation + $50 Facility Fee)
   Full affiliated members must have at least three teams participating in HDNA competitions and are also required to pay an HDNA facility fee. They are encouraged to attend all HDNA delegates meetings. Each full affiliated member will be entitled to one vote. Proxy votes will not be accepted.
2. Social Affiliation Member - $25
   Social affiliation members are welcome to attend delegates meetings but are not entitled to vote.

BEHAVIOUR

Codes of Conduct

All players, officials and spectators must abide by the HDNA Codes of Behaviour, which are accessible on the HDNA website and form part of our Member Protection Policy. HDNA has zero tolerance towards swearing, abusive language and unsportsmanlike behaviour on and off court. We will not hesitate to remove people from the courts if inappropriate behaviour occurs.

At the Court

The blue area is designated for coaches, players and officials (managers, umpires, umpire coaches, etc) only. Coaches must remain in their team box and are not permitted to walk up and down the sidelines. The grey area is designated for spectators. No spectator may stand in or walk through a blue area.

COMPLAINTS

All complaints must be submitted to your club president or team captain in writing, not to HDNA. Club presidents or team captains will then submit a letter of complaint to the HDNA Executive via info@hdna.net.au. The HDNA Member Protection Officer will determine if any action is to be taken. Any complaint sent directly to HDNA will be referred to your club president or team captain to action.

FILL IN PLAYERS

Failure to abide by rules regarding fill ins will result in a loss of competition points. Teams must have five registered players on the court at all times, or the game will be deemed a forfeit.

Clubs with more than one team may borrow a fill in player from a lower division only. This player may play up twice only during the competition rounds. For example, if a player from division 6 plays once for division 5 and once for division 4 they cannot play up again for any team that season. Coaches must check with the player before borrowing from a lower division to ensure they have not already filled in for another team(s). Fill in players must sign the score sheet and note what team they are registered with. Club teams cannot borrow fill in players from other clubs.

Players not registered in the competition may fill in for one game only. They cannot fill in for any other team in that competition that season. They must sign the fill in sheet in the office and sign the score sheet. Players must be 14 years or older to fill in for the Monday competition.

Grading games do not count towards the number of times a player may fill in, but coaches should avoid skewing the outcome of grading decisions by only using fill in players with skill levels comparable to the team they are playing in.

FORFEITS

Teams are requested to advise of their intention to forfeit by 5pm the night before your game. Notice must be sent by text to the HDNA forfeit number only: 0438 639 168. No other form of communication will be accepted. A $50 forfeit fee will be applied if less than the requested amount of notice is provided. The opposing team will be notified by one text message sent to the club president only (or nominated contact person in the case of independent teams). A team will be asked to show cause why they should not be withdrawn from the competition after two forfeits. If a team forfeits a game that is later cancelled due to weather, the forfeit remains.

GRADING

It is important for clubs to nominate their teams to the appropriate division based on each team's standard of play. HDNA grading games are not to be used for club grading. HDNA reserves the right to place teams in the appropriate division following grading games and in accordance with availability in each division.

NAILS, JEWELLERY & HAIR

Fingernails must be cut short. Taping of nails is not allowed. Approved gloves may be worn and are available for purchase in the office. Earrings or any other piercings must not be worn during play. Taping over earrings or other piercings is NOT ALLOWED. No jewelry is to be worn by players, with the exception of medical alert bracelets and wedding rings, which must be taped. Hair must be tied back so the positional bib is easily identified by the umpire. Players who do not comply will be removed from the court.

NON-PLAYING REGISTRATIONS

All coaches, managers and team officials must complete a non-playing registration via NetballConnect. There is no fee for a non-playing registration.

PLAY ON VOUCHERS

Some of our affiliated clubs are registered Play On providers, but not all. HDNA accepts Play On vouchers from members of independent teams. If you have a Play On voucher, contact your club or the association to confirm it can be used prior to registering. Play On vouchers can be redeemed for a single registration only. Any unused balance is retained by the Queensland Government. Vouchers must be marked as redeemed in Netball Connect before Week 4 or penalties may apply.

ROLLING SUBS

Rolling substitutions are permitted in the Monday competitions, including during grading games. Players must enter and exit from the designated rolling sub boxes. Refer to the ANAA rulebook or the HDNA noticeboard for information regarding the correct implementation of rolling subs. Teams must provide two sets of bibs to use for rolling subs.

SUPER SHOT

The Super Shot time will be activated during the final 4 minutes of each quarter. Only the goal attack (GA) and goal shooter (GS) are allowed to attempt a Super Shot. The Super Shot must be taken from the designated zone marked inside the goal circle. A successful shot from within the designated marked area is worth 2 points and is confirmed by the umpire with the raising of two arms upwards. During the activated Super Shot time, a regular shot taken from the traditional area inside the goal circle stills scores 1 point. During finals if a match is tied at the of regulation time and a winner is required, extra time is played, and the Super shot rule remains active for the entire duration of extra time.

SCORING

One scorer from each team must stand together in the scorers' box the whole game. The score sheet is the definitive score that will be recorded in the office. All score boards must be collected and returned via the appropriate window in the office. General enquiries and players needing to sign on as a fill in should also approach the window first. All players must sign the score sheet prior to the commencement of the game. Teams failing to sign the scoresheet will be penalised by the loss of competition points. Initials will not be accepted as a player signature.

UMPIRE SUPERVISORS

HDNA umpire supervisors can be easily identified in purple vests. If an issue occurs and you need immediate assistance on court, your first point of contact is an HDNA supervisor. If additional assistance is needed a HDNA committee member will be sent to the court. Please don't wait until the end of the game if there is an umpiring issue.

UNIFORMS

Each club, school or independent team must nominate the colour, pattern, and design of their uniforms with HDNA at the start of each year when they complete their affiliation form. Any changes to a uniform must be approved by HDNA.

Teams nominating bummers/shorts and tops as their uniform must try to utilise a colour other than white as their shirt colour and must also specify the colour of bib to be worn each week.

All players must wear their approved uniform items to take the court. A soft visor may be worn during games. No hats with hard peaks are permitted. Sports shoes must be worn. A matching set of bibs must be worn while playing.

UNREGISTERED PLAYERS

Players who take the court during a HDNA competition (including grading games and HDNA carnivals) and have not completed their player registration in NetballConnect, including payment of registration fees for that calendar year, may be deemed an unregistered player and WILL NOT be covered by insurance. Unregistered players who take the court do so at their own risk.

WEATHER

In the event of wet weather or extreme heat HDNA will decide within a reasonable time frame, prior to the start of each game time, if games are to be cancelled. If games are cancelled a notice will be posted on HDNA's Facebook page at that time, and one text message will be sent to club presidents and the nominated contact person for each independent team. Games are still on unless a cancellation notice has been posted, so please don't contact HDNA or your club to check.

RULES & REGULATIONS

A summary of the rules of this competition is provided below. For more information, please refer to the HDNA website for our by-laws, which include all current rules and regulations governing our competitions. A loss of team points, match forfeiture or monetary fine will be imposed on any club, player or team found to have breached the association's playing rules or policies.

- Only one 14-year male player may play in each team in the open ladies competition.
- All players must turn 14 years of age by 31st December of that year to be eligible to play in the mixed competition.
- A maximum of three (3) male players may take the court at any one time.
- A team may not take the court with two (2) male players playing in the one goal circle (i.e. GS & GA: GK & GD)
- A player may play in both the mixed competition (subject to age eligibility) and ladies competition in the one season.
- Teams may have up to 12 registered players.
- Teams may play new members up to the semi-finals, provided they are correctly registered.
- Players must play in at least one third of the competition games to qualify for finals. Games played during grading will not count toward qualification. If after a player has registered with a team, that team won on a forfeit, that game will count toward qualifying the player for finals.
- If a club enters two or more teams in a competition, no player shall play in a lower grade than that in which the player is registered, however a player from a lower grade may play in a higher grade provided that team has at least five registered team members on the court at all times.
- Any player having played three games in a higher grade than that in which they are registered shall be deemed a player in the higher grade and shall not return to the lower grade.
- No interchanging of teams within clubs is permitted. Where a club has more than one team in the same division/grade, players cannot be transferred or interchanged between teams.
- Unregistered players may play **ONE** game and must report to the association office, sign an indemnity form, AND sign the scoresheet prior to taking the court. All players must be fully registered before playing a second game.
- Players who are not registered by Week 2 of the competition fixture will be deemed unfinancial. If an unregistered player takes the court from Week 2, a two-point team penalty will apply.
- If a player with a pending registration status due to an unredeemed Play On voucher takes the court from Week 4, a two-point team penalty may apply.
- A team shall not commence play with fewer than five registered players. If five players are present at the commencement siren, they must take the court, and teams must have five registered players on court at all times.
- In the event of a team being late to take the court, a three-minute grace period is allowed. The opposing captain may claim a forfeit if the team is unable to field at least five players on the commencement signal or after the period of grace.
- Players must sign the score sheet each week using the same signature. Players are not permitted to use initials as a form of signature.
- In the event of a team forfeiting two or more games, the team may be required to show cause for such forfeiture.
- Three (3) points are awarded for a win, two (2) points for a draw, one (1) point for a loss and zero points for a forfeit.

- The four top teams in each division at the conclusion of competition rounds play finals as follows:

Semi-final	1 v 2 – winner to grand final, loser to preliminary final
	3 v 4 – winner to preliminary final, loser eliminated
Preliminary final	Loser of 1 v 2 plays winner of 3 v 4 – winner to grand final, loser eliminated
Grand final	Winner of 1 v 2 semi-final plays winner of preliminary final

- Trophies/medals will be presented to each registered member of the winning and runner-up team.
- If a team forfeits any final or is penalised for any infringement of the Constitution or By-laws, it will forfeit the right to continue in those finals or be named runner-up.