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2009 PAK'n SAVE Regional Super League

Competition structure

Teams will be seeded into two divisions – 1st division and 2nd division. The seedings for 2009 are loosely based on placings in the 2008 competition and the relative strengths of the netball centres.

Division 1 – Wellington teams 1, 2 & 3, Hutt Valley 1 & 2, Kapi Mana (rep)

Division 2 – Hutt Valley 3, 4, Wellington 4, 5, Wairarapa and Kapiti (composite)

The divisions will play a first round robin (weeks 1-5, June 12/13 – July 11/12). At the conclusion of round 1 the bottom two teams in division 1 will swap with top two in division two for round 2. Round 2 is played weeks 6-11 (July 18/19 – August 14/15). There are 12 teams in this competition.

At the conclusion of round 2 the top four teams in division 1 will play for the Championships, the bottom 2 in Division 1 and the top 2 in Division 2 will play for places 5-8, and the bottom four of division 2 will play for places 9-12.

The playoffs will be played over three rounds

Round 1 (August 21/22)

Game 1	Div 1	1 vs 2;
Game 2	Div 1	3 vs 4
Game 3	Div 1	5 vs 6
Game 4	Div 2	1 vs 2
Game 5	Div 2	3 vs 4
Game 6	Div 2	5 vs 6

Round 2 (August 28)

Game 7	Loser game 1 vs Winner game 2
Game 8	Loser game 3 vs winner game 4
Game 9	Loser game 5 vs winner game 6.

Note: Losers games 2, 4 and 6; 7, 8, 9 go out)
Winners Games 1, 3, 5 go straight to finals

Final round

Game 10	Winner game 5 vs Winner Game 9
Game 11	Winner game 3 vs Winner Game 8
Game 12	Winner game 1 vs Winner Game 7

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Timing

The competition will begin on June 12/13 with some games being played on Friday evenings and Saturday afternoons with the exception of **Sunday July 12 (for NZAGC)** and the finals on Sunday August 30 (see attached table for draft schedule)

Games will begin at 6.30 or 7pm on the Friday nights (dependent on venue) and between 10am and 5pm on Saturday (dependent on venue).

The finals and prize-giving will be held at Te Rauparaha Arena, Porirua on Sunday 30 August 2009.

Venues

We will be playing at Te Rauparaha Arena (Porirua) and Walter Nash most weeks, Masterton Stadium alternate weeks and Wellington East Girls College when other venues are not available. It is hoped that we will be able to use this on alternate weeks to the Masterton venue. The local netball centres will be expected to host the league on the night with an Event Coordinator available at each venue to address any issues or disputes. However this is subject to availability.

Access to the venues is possible one hour before the scheduled start time. The start time of games will stand unless the Event Manager otherwise determines that, due to unforeseen/emergency circumstances, that the game start will be delayed. This will be done in consultation with teams and umpires. Teams/players arriving late for games may be required to forfeit the games as stipulated in the International Rules (rules 4 and 5) unless the Event Manager has determined that the start time is changed. In the event that a game cannot be played the Event Manager will compile a report of the circumstances for Netball Wellington Region to determine if the game will be rescheduled.

Competition Rules

1. The Games

The games will be played under the International Rules of Netball.

The Game length will be one hour played in 15 min quarters. The quarter breaks will be 3min, 5min and 3min.

2. Registration of Teams

No team shall register more than twelve players.

Team registrations should be submitted by the Netball Centre at which the team is registered, on the Netball Wellington Region team registration spreadsheet, to the Netball Wellington Region office by **Monday 18 May 2009**.

For the duration of the RSL, teams shall use only those players named on their team registration form. If a player not named on this forms plays in a game, the team concerned shall forfeit the game unless the replacement of a player on the registered team sheet has been approved by Netball Wellington Region. (See below)



3. Replacement Player

Any team wishing to change their registered team due to injury, or illness must apply to Netball Wellington Region and all applications must be accompanied with a medical certificate or other written supporting information.

Such applications must be received **NO LATER THAN Wednesday 12 noon** prior to the game. Players not registered correctly will not be permitted to take the court.

4. All players and Franchise Players (and use of)

All players including franchise players must have 'taken the court' three times in preliminary rounds of the RSL (they must be separate days of competition) to qualify to play in the RSL playoffs and finals. (NNZ game sheet to be checked)

Only **two** franchise players to be registered per team. Two franchise players can be take the court at the same time. Franchise Players must be registered with their club/centre at the start of the RSL competition.

5. Playing Up Rule

A player who takes the court in a higher grade than in which the player is registered, shall be deemed to have played up. A player can only "play up" as long as they are taken from a team **registered below** either in the Super League or at centre competition. Playing up players must be marked by an asterisk on the NNZ game sheet on game day.

Once a player has played up "**twice**" in the super league she is deemed to be part of that team 12 player roster and then become a replacement player.

Players **must** be only registered in **one team** in the competition i.e. a player playing across two netball centres will not be able to play for two teams.

Players who transfer from one centre to another in order to play in the Regional Super league will be subject to the rules of transfer applicable at the respective netball centres.

6. Dispensations

Kapiti have been granted dispensation for 4 players to be picked up from other centres and these players will be allowed to play in their centre competition while competing in RSL.

7. Database

Please ensure that the spreadsheet is completed correctly, in particular the name, telephone no (hm or mobile) and **date of birth** fields as well as the organisation (Netball Wellington Region) and team name. Other fields are optional but this is the info that will be collected across the region for the data-base. We have also included the Registration declaration which must be agreed to by all of those included on the spreadsheet in order to be registered on the region database.



8. Players on Court

The **(NNZ) Game team sheet** must be lodged with the Event Coordinator or Bench Officials at the venue at least half an hour prior to the start of each game. **Only players registered with Netball Wellington Region and included on the team sheet for any game may take the court for that game.** Teams must follow the Netball NZ protocols for team changes at injury breaks or game intervals. Substitution sheets must be handed to the bench officials at breaks.

9. Team personnel

Teams must indicate on the team sheet (by way of an asterix) that will be responsible for assessing injuries where a team does not have a primary care person attached to the team. This may be the manager or coach but they must comply with the no coaching rule while on court, as per rule 7 of the International Rules of netball.

10. Draws & Points

Draws will be allowed in round-robin games but the finals must have a clear result. **In the event that the score is level at full time in the playoff and finals the International rules relating to extra time will apply.**

Points are: 4 points = win, 2 points = draw, 1 point= loss within 5, 0= loss

(In the case of a tied points – for and against formula will be used on the teams when they played each other).

11. Scoring and Timekeeping

Where bench officials are not available for a game **each team must provide a scorer or timekeeper for the game.** These people must sit away from the team bench, centre to the court as directed by the event manager, to assist umpires.

12. Complaints

Complaints and appeals about games must be in writing and should be addressed to the Event Co-ordinator on the day or forwarded to Netball Wellington Region, PO Box 24 148, Wellington by Monday following the game. All complaints and appeals will be dealt with as outlined in the Netball Wellington Region Judiciary Regulations.

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