

NET SET GO AGE RESTRICTIONS POLICY

Introduction

In 2023 Netball WA have abolished the age restrictions for Net Set Go to allow players turning seven (7) to ten (10) in that calendar year to play in a sub junior grade. Noranda Netball Association will allow clubs to register players turning ten (10) in that calendar year to play in a sub junior grade.

Purpose

This Policy acts as a guiding document for clubs who are considering selecting a ten (10) year old play in Sub Juniors and outlines the actions Noranda Netball Association will take if the rules are not observed.

Policy

It is strongly recommended that clubs do not register a ten (10) year old to play Sub Junior grade to make up numbers and the ten (10) year olds are only being registered in a Sub Junior grade if they have the ability to play at this level, including a good understanding of the game and be physically and emotionally ready to play full rules netball. The club does not require approval from Noranda Netball Association to select a player into a Sub Junior team. Clubs should give consideration when grading their teams to the age and skill level of other players to ensure even ability across the team where the ten (10) year old is being selected into.

Under no circumstances can a ten (10) year old player or younger fill in or be selected to play in a Junior grade.

Clubs may use ten (10) year olds to fill in for Sub Junior teams that are short of players and should have a good understanding of the game.

A ten (10) year old who is chosen to play in Sub Junior grade cannot:

- 1. Play in Net Set Go once the season commences,
- 2. Play below a grade that they were selected in; and
- 3. Be moved down permanently once the season starts if the club deems them not to be ready.



Breach of Policy

A club that plays a ten (10) year old or younger in a Junior grade will be subject to the below:

First offence within the same season

- 1. Club is fined \$100.
- 2. Two premiership points taken off the team who uses the player as a fill in (whether player steps on or not).

Second offence within the same season

- 1. Club is fined \$200.
- 2. Four premiership points taken off the team who uses the player as a fill in (whether player steps on or not).
- 3. Two premiership points taken off the team the player comes from (whether player steps on or not).

Third offence within the same season

- 1. Club is fined \$300.
- 2. Team disqualified from playing finals who uses player as a fill in (whether the player steps on court or not).

NOTE: The above policy is final and the Association Committee will not enter into any further discussion with Clubs, Teams or individuals.

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