

# **Surrey Junior League Rules and Information 2020-21**

## **1. ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST BE INDIVIDUALLY AFFILIATED TO ENGLAND NETBALL**

All Surrey Junior Netball League matches adhere to the IFNA Rules of the Game currently in force, except where specific regulations apply locally or where any changes are specified in this document. Each club must be represented at the Pre-Season Meeting (September/October tbc, possibly by zoom).

## **2. VENUES**

Manor House School, Howard of Effingham School and Epsom College require reassurance from us that all clubs participating should have a CRB/DBS checked representative present and Child Protection policy in place. The venues or league will not be held responsible for any incident relating to Child Protection and it is the clubs responsibility to ensure all safe guarding guidelines are followed.

## **3. RESPONSIBILITY FOR EACH SECTION / VENUE**

There will be a committee member at each venue on each fixture. They will be wearing a High Vis jacket for easy identification.

## **4. SECTIONS**

- U10,U11, U15, U16 – MHS & Howard
- U12, U13 & U14 – Epsom College

Each age group will have a maximum of 10 teams per division. The number of divisions will be confirmed each season depending on the number of entries.

## **7. ALL PARTICIPATING TEAMS**

1. Each team must have a DBS registered adult with them on each site. The girls / parents need to know who their responsible adult is on the day.
2. Out of courtesy if you are unable to field a team at any matches please inform the League no later than the Friday before the match so the opposition can be contacted. Points will then be awarded to the non- cancelling team plus a 15-0 goal score.
3. Each club must input their team players into the relevant teams on ENgage before the start of play .
4. Teams to provide an umpire, bibs and match ball for each team. (see umpiring section below)
5. Each club must provide its own first aid kit.
6. Toilets and changing rooms: please see separate guidelines for each site.
7. Ensure that girls are on court promptly or penalties will be applied.(See section re timing).
8. Courts must be left in a clean and tidy fashion. Ensure all rubbish is cleared away before you leave the courts.

## **8. U10 and U11 Divisions**

1. Both divisions shall play seven aside netball
2. U11 will play with a size 5 ball and 10ft posts
3. U10 divisions will play with a size 4 ball and 9ft posts
- 4.. Boys may play in the U10 and U11 divisions but only two boys on court at one time and they may not start in the same section of the court. E.g They could not play GA and GS.

## **10. REGISTERING PLAYERS**

1. Team registration is to be done on ENgage prior to the start of the season .
2. All Teams must be linked to the engage League page
3. Each match teams must record the players on a league results sheet along with umpires names and match results. This must be sent to the division WhatsApp before 9pm on the Monday following the game or a two point penalty will be incurred.
4. Any player may play 'up' one age group as long as the details are recorded on the results sheet..
5. If a club wishes a player to play up more than one age group, that player must be identified as a talented player and must be involved in the Development pathway for their County. A letter from the county coach confirming this must be submitted to the league secretary before the player plays up.
8. "Lower division" team players may play in the same age 'higher division' team for 2 matches, on playing a 3rd time for the higher team they must then stay in that team, this must be amended on ENgage.
9. Please try not to cancel matches and play them as a friendly instead. Any team that cancels 4 or more matches will be withdrawn from the league and they will lose their place in the older division for the following season.
10. Players may be borrowed from higher squads in the same age group or other clubs to avoid cancellation of matches. However the other team will automatically be awarded the win & the game will be played as a friendly with a 15-0 match score. Please liaise with the opposition coach should this happen.
11. Teams may be reset after the Christmas break, all changes must be amended on ENgage.
11. Squad size is at the discretion of the club. The League will provide 10 medals to the winning squads. More can be bought by the clubs should squads be larger.

## **12. UMPIRES:**

1. Teams to provide one umpire per match
2. Unqualified umpires with a mentor may be used in all divisions U10 - U13 games. Unqualified with a mentor maybe used in U14-U16 C&D division.
3. U14 - U16 A& B divisions must be umpired by a C award minimum umpire.
3. All U16 (Year 11 or below) umpires must have a responsible adult courtside to support them.

## **13. TIMING:**

**Each match will take place within the hour. All matches to start at 10 past the hour with four ten minute quarters, two minutes at  $\frac{1}{4}$  time and  $\frac{3}{4}$  time and three minutes at half time. Matches should then finish at 5 minutes to the hour and teams need to leave court promptly to allow next teams on. Matches will start and finish on umpires whistle not central timing.**

1. 4 x 10 mins
2. Please ensure that girls are on court promptly. Matches will be timed from their allocated start time.
3. If teams (less than 5 players) are more than 1 minute late on court then the opposition will be awarded a goal per minute until the end of the first quarter. If the match has not started by the end of the first quarter the match will automatically be awarded to the team on court, giving both points and a 15-0 goal score to that team.
4. Umpires may call Time for blood or injury, but no time will be added on at the end of the match. . When play is stopped by the umpire for injury, players may leave the court for treatment and return after a goal is scored. Substitutes may be made in the case of injury, and the injured player may change positions. The overwhelming consideration of all adults and officials should be for player's welfare and safety.

## **14. RESULTS:**

5 points for a win

3 points for a draw

2 points if lose by one goal

1 point if lose by 50% or less

0 point if lose by 51% or less

**All results sheets must be submitted by WhatsApp to designated groups by 9pm of the Monday following the match. 2 points will be deducted for late entries.**

## **15. COMPLAINTS PROCEDURE**

1. Any complaints made about umpires, players, spectators etc must be made firstly to the Division Secretary on the day, who should speak to the parties involved in the hope that the problem can be immediately resolved.
2. Should any more actions need to take place, the club main contact should contact the Divisional Secretary by email within 48 hours of the match. All communications should come from the one main contact nominated at the Surrey Junior Netball League AGM/meeting.

### **Should a satisfactory outcome not be reached:**

1. A report should be sent in writing and to be received by the League's Secretary within seven (7) days of the date of the match.
2. The League may pass any complaints involving umpires to the appropriate SCNA
3. Any complaints about umpires, players and/or spectators received by the League will be investigated by a committee comprised of the League's elected officers, except where the elected officer(s) has direct knowledge of, or is the subject of the complaint.
4. If the investigation reveals a bone fide case to be answered, in accordance with the England Netball's disciplinary advisory notes (as published from time to time), the League will hold a disciplinary hearing (attended by a representative of the SCNA) and, as appropriate, may penalise the umpire, player and/or club/team.
5. The 'offending' club must be advised by the complaining club immediately and in writing of each complaint.
6. The Committee's decision will be final and binding.