

Mens Netball NSW - Club Affiliation Policy



Introduction

Thank you for considering Club Affiliation with Men's Netball NSW (MNNSW). Your membership is valuable and, as we continue to grow, will provide your Club with access to a wide range of services, products and events at local and state level.

The Club Affiliation Process takes place annually commencing 1 July and all Clubs are required to have completed their Club Affiliation Form and paid their affiliation fee by 31st July in order to be compete in any MNNSW competitions.

This policy sits alongside MNNSW's other policies. It is important that you familiarise yourself with MNNSW's other policies.

Affiliated Clubs

MNNSW aims to deliver services, products and events to meet the needs and requirements of affiliated clubs. Events, services and products of the Association currently include M League, Junior M League, Junior Development Program and State Representation (e.g. at AMMNA Australian Championships).

Affiliated clubs and their participation in MNNSW events are crucial to the continued growth and exposure of our sport. Without the Clubs and their dedication to the delivery and development of Men's and Mixed Netball across NSW, there would be no participants to enjoy this sport.

All Clubs are required to:

1. submit the Club Affiliation Form (See MNNSW Website) | All Sections must be completed. Incomplete forms will be returned, and the Club's affiliation may be delayed.
2. pay the Club Affiliation Fees/Payments | As per MNNSW invoicing and payment procedures. Failure to pay and the Club's affiliation may be delayed or placed on hold until such time as payment is made.
3. the Club wishing to affiliate must have a minimum of one team registered to maintain affiliation and provide this information at time of Affiliation and upon renewal.

Club Affiliation Form

This section is intended to provide your Club with guidance and detail to help you complete the Club Affiliation Form.

Correct completion of this Form is vital for your Club to ensure that it understands and is compliant with all the requirements for Club Affiliation.

Email and Phone

These should be the nominated primary contacts for the Club. Please supply the best email address to send newsletters to the club. If you have more than one

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email address, please separate via a semi colon.

Club Name and Colours

Please record the name by which the Club will be known and the official club colours. We are working to ensure a professional image at all levels of our sport and your Club name should reflect that.

Delegate Details

Information in this section will be used for a range of purposes including voting and Club delegate nominations at Annual General Meetings, athlete registrations, accounts, and fees payable, event entries and general communication.

Teams and Divisions

Information in this section will be used to help MNNSW plan and operate its annual events.

Questions

There are several questions to be answered regarding acknowledgement of conditions that support the Application and the way in which the Club is to operate within the Association.

Payment

The Affiliation Fee can be paid using Credit Card (via website). Alternatively, contact the Secretary who can arrange an invoice for payment.

Conditions of Affiliation

1. Granting of Affiliation

Subject to the provisions of these Terms and Conditions, in consideration of the Club paying the Affiliation Fee and continuing to

abide by the Terms and Conditions, MNNSW will grant Affiliation to the Club.

2. Affiliation Fee

The Club will pay the Affiliation Fee to MNNSW within seven* (7) days of the date of a tax invoice from MNNSW to the Club.

** Note: This fee can be paid via credit card at the time of completing the Application.*

3. Affiliation Standards

The Club must at all times comply with the Constitution of MNNSW, the Competition Rules including all Policies, Regulations, Codes of Conduct, and Committee decisions implemented by MNNSW.

4. Breaches

The Club acknowledges and agrees that Affiliation is conditional upon the Club continuing to comply with the Affiliation Standards and these Terms and Conditions, and if at any time the Club is in breach of the Affiliation Standards or these Terms and Conditions, MNNSW may, in their complete discretion:

- a) give the Club written notice requiring the Club to remedy any breach of the Affiliation Standards or Terms and Conditions within such time as MNNSW determines, at the Club's expense;
- b) suspend the Club's Affiliation for such period as MNNSW determines;
- c) terminate the Club's Affiliation;
- d) vary the Club's Affiliation or the level of service provided in such manner as MNNSW determines; and/or
- e) take any such other action against the Club as MNNSW sees fit.

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5. Termination

If the Club's Affiliation is terminated in accordance with clause 4 (c):

- a) the Club may not make a further application for Affiliation until it has remedied the breach or breaches of the Affiliation Standards or Terms and Conditions which resulted in the termination of its Affiliation; and
- b) MNNSW may impose such additional conditions as it sees fit on any further Affiliation granted to the Club.

6. Refusal of Affiliation

Notwithstanding anything in these Terms and Conditions, MNNSW may decline to grant Affiliation to the Club and the decision in that regard shall be final and binding and shall not be the subject of any right of appeal. If Affiliation is not granted, the Association Member shall refund the Affiliation Fee to the Club.

7. Disputes

- a) For the purposes of this clause, a 'Dispute' is any dispute or difference arising out of, or relating to, these Terms and Conditions, or where agreement between the Parties is required by these Terms and Conditions and there is absence of agreement after a reasonable period.
- b) If a Party considers that a Dispute has arisen, that Party must promptly send a notice to the other Party (Notice) setting out a full description of the matters in dispute or in which there is a difference.
- c) An authorised representative of each Party (or their nominees) must attempt to resolve the dispute, on the basis that the Parties wish to retain a long-term relationship.
- d) If the Dispute is not resolved within 30 calendar days of the Notice, or any longer time the Parties may agree that either

Party may commence or initiate appropriate legal proceedings.

8. Definitions and Interpretations

Definition	Interpretation
Affiliation	means recognition by MNNSW as a Club within the Association Framework
Affiliation Fee	means the annual fee calculated and imposed by MNNSW on the Club for Affiliation
Affiliation Standards	means the requirements for Affiliation published by the Association from time to time
Club	means a compliant entity, affiliated to MNNSW in compliance with the Affiliation Requirements.
Party or Parties	means either or all the Club, the Association and Individual Members as the context so requires.
Terms and Conditions	means the Terms and Conditions of Affiliation set out in this document.

Club Affiliation Standards

The following is a list of Club Affiliation Standards which should be used as a checklist prior to application.

The Club must always comply with the Affiliation Standards and warrants that at the time of applying for Affiliation the Club complies with the Affiliation Standards.

The club shall always comply with the Terms and Conditions of Affiliation.

1. All the club's members are registered with MNNSW and therein with Netball NSW for Insurance Purposes.
2. The club accepts and complies with MNNSW Constitution, and all Regulations and Policies.
3. All child safe requirements and Working with Children Checks for all members of the club are conducted and in place in accordance with NSW Legislation.
4. The club confirms that it is responsible for complying with all National and relevant State child safe laws.
5. The club (except in the instance where the club is a school*) will maintain membership forms for all registered participants /members and will include provision for the members' medical and emergency contact information. Storage of these membership forms and any other personal information, including medical information must be secure and disclosure and storage must comply with the Privacy Act 1988 (Cth), and any other applicable State/Territory requirements.

6. The club will comply with any reasonable request by MNNSW for access to the club and/or member information.
7. The club will implement a Complaints Handling procedure in accordance with the Member Protection Policy Principles.
8. The club has an injury report procedure, including an injury report form, both of which are accessible during all netball activities. All injuries will be documented in accordance with the injury report procedure.
9. The club maintains ongoing compliance with all venue safety requirements.

Finding Information

Men's Netball NSW website – <https://www.men'snetballnsw.org.au/> – is the primary access point for all information, including policies, procedures and resources..

Policies

To view all of the MNNSW Policies, click About Us> Policies and Procedures. This menu includes all Policies that apply to affiliated Clubs.

Insurance

Information about the Netball Insurance Policy can be found at

<https://netball.vinsurance.com.au/>.

This link takes the user to the V- Insurance website and includes all relevant information regarding the way in which Insurance works and how to make a claim if required.

Working with Children

Information about Working with Children can be found at

<https://www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/child-safe-organisations/working-with-children-check>

Privacy

Information about Privacy can be found at

<https://www.oaic.gov.au/privacy/the-privacy-act/>

Sport Australia

Sport Australia is responsible for driving the broader sport sector including participation, physical activity and industry growth. There is a large amount of information on their website to assist and support Clubs create their governance structures.

<https://www.sportaus.gov.au/>

What happens if you breach this policy?

If a Club does not comply with this policy, the MNNSW Committee may take any action it deems reasonable, including disciplinary action (which may include the Club being suspended or removed from MNNSW and any event they are participating in).

Changes to this policy

This Policy may be updated by the MNNSW Committee from time to time. The current version of this policy will be made available on MNNSW website www.mensnetballnsw.org.au.

Who to contact

If you have any questions about this policy or if you have any concerns or become aware of any published content that may breach this policy, please contact the Secretary of MNNSW at mensnetballnsw.sec@gmail.com.

