

Queensland Independent Secondary Schools Netball Carnival (QISSN) 2026 Carnival Terms and Conditions



QISSN Netball Carnival – Terms and Conditions of Participation

These Terms and Conditions (“Terms”) govern the participation of schools (“Schools”) in the QISSN Netball Carnival (“the Event”). By submitting registration and paying the entry fee, Schools expressly acknowledge and agree to be bound by these Terms.

1 Compliance with Conditions of Play

- 1.1 Schools must comply with the official Rules of Netball and all additional regulations, directives, and procedural requirements set out in the Carnival Booklet or communicated by the Event organisers.
- 1.2 Schools are responsible for ensuring that all players, coaches, and team personnel understand and adhere to these rules.
- 1.3 Failure to comply may result in penalties, including but not limited to loss of points, suspension of participants, disqualification from the current Event, and ineligibility for participation in future QISSN carnivals for a period determined at the sole discretion of QISSN.

2 Risk Management

- 2.1 Schools are solely responsible for conducting their own risk assessments for all players, staff, and spectators under their care.
- 2.2 Risk assessments must address, at minimum, player safety, medical/first aid needs, equipment suitability, transport considerations, and any other relevant hazards.
- 2.3 QISSN accepts no responsibility for a School’s failure to adequately manage risk.

3 Code of Conduct

- 3.1 QISSN adopts the Netball Queensland / Netball Australia Codes of Behaviour, which apply to all players, coaches, umpires, bench officials, team staff, parents, and spectators.
- 3.2 Schools must ensure compliance with these behavioural standards.
- 3.3 Misconduct, abuse of officials, unsporting behaviour, harassment, or any behaviour deemed inappropriate by QISSN may result in disciplinary action, including immediate removal or disqualification.

4 Liability and Insurance

- 4.1 Participation is at the school's own risk.
- 4.2 QISSN, the organising committee, and the hosting venue accept no liability for any injury, loss, theft, property damage, or accident arising before, during, or after the Event.
- 4.3 Schools must maintain appropriate insurance coverage for all players, staff, and spectators, including but not limited to public liability and personal accident cover.

5 Livestreaming, Media, and Privacy

- 5.1 The Event is a public event. All courts and surrounding areas both inside and outside of the venue may be livestreamed, recorded, photographed, or broadcast.
- 5.2 By participating, Schools irrevocably consent to the filming, photography, recording, and public broadcast of matches, players, and spectators.
- 5.3 Schools are responsible for securing all necessary permissions from parents/guardians for players under 18 years of age.
- 5.4 Basic school contact information may be shared with major sponsors for legitimate partnership and communication purposes.
- 5.5 QISSN is not responsible for a school's failure to obtain necessary consents.

6 Registration and Entry Fees

- 6.1 Registration is not considered accepted until all required documentation is submitted and the full entry fee is paid by the specified deadline.
- 6.2 Entry fees are strictly non-refundable, including in cases of withdrawal.
- 6.3 Late or incomplete registrations may result in forfeiture of the school's position.

7 Event Schedule and Operational Requirements

- 7.1 Schools must comply with all scheduling requirements, including arrival times, warm-up periods, match fixtures, meetings, and official functions.
- 7.2 QISSN retains full discretion to amend the Event schedule at any time. Changes will be communicated to Team Managers as soon as reasonably practicable.
- 7.3 Schools must ensure their teams are ready to take the court at the designated times; failure to do so may result in forfeiture of matches.
- 7.4 It is a condition of the Association Rules that each member school must have at least one authorised representative attend the QISSN Annual General Meeting (AGM) each year. Attendance at the AGM, and signing the official registration sheet upon arrival, is a mandatory condition of participation in the Carnival. Schools that fail to have a representative attend the AGM for two (2) consecutive years acknowledge that their ongoing participation in the Carnival may be reviewed.

8 Disqualification and Sanctions

8.1 QISSN reserves the right to disqualify or sanction any school that breaches these Terms, breaches the Conditions of Play, engages in misconduct, or behaves in a manner detrimental to the Event.

8.2 Decisions of QISSN are final and not subject to appeal.

9 Amendments

9.1 QISSN may amend these Terms at any time and at its sole discretion.

9.2 Any amendments will take effect immediately upon communication to participating Schools. Continued participation constitutes acceptance of the amended Terms.

10 Two-Team Allocation Requirement

10.1 Where a School is offered participation on the basis of entering two (2) teams, this allocation is granted to the school as a single participation entitlement, not to individual teams.

10.2 Acceptance of this placement constitutes a binding contractual commitment by the school to field both teams for the full duration of the Event.

10.3 Withdrawal of one (1) team for any reason will be deemed a withdrawal of the school's entire allocation. In such circumstances, QISSN will automatically withdraw the second team and reallocate the place(s) to the next eligible school.

10.4 QISSN reserves the unrestricted right to enforce this clause to ensure fairness, integrity, and operational viability of the Event.

11 Invitational Entry and Future Participation

11.1 Schools invited to participate in the Queensland Independent Secondary Schools Netball (QISSN) carnival for the 2026 event through the invitational selection process acknowledge that the invitation applies solely to the 2026 Event.

11.2 Participation by invitational schools in 2026 does not confer, guarantee, or imply acceptance into any future QISSN Carnival.

11.3 Eligibility for future participation is determined annually and entirely at the discretion of QISSN.

Acceptance

By paying the entry fee and proceeding with registration, Schools confirm that they have read, understood, and agree to be bound by these Terms. Failure to comply may result in sanctions, including disqualification.