



DORSET
SCHOOLS NETBALL HANDBOOK
2023-2024

DORSET SCHOOLS' NETBALL

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NB Please note your school must be affiliated prior to playing in the tournaments. Affiliations will be paid directly to England Netball. They will contact schools individually.

The handbook and all information regarding netball will now appear on the "schools" section of the Dorset Netball Association website at: www.netballdorset.co.uk

For update information on netball please look at:

Netball Southwest: www.netballsouthwest.co.uk

England Netball Association: www.englandnetball.co.uk

TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

The County tournaments are the first round of the National Schools Tournament. Entry to any of the tournaments is **only open to schools who have paid the affiliation fee to Dorset Netball and England Netball membership.**

There will be three age groups. U19, U16, U14 and schools may only enter one team from Area competition stage.

PLAYER ELIGIBILITY

The age range for each Age Group is as follows:

a) U14: All Players must be over eleven (11) years of age and under fourteen (14) years of age; b) U16: All Players must be over fourteen (14) years of age and under sixteen (16) years of age; c) U19: All Players must be over fourteen (14) years of age and under nineteen (19) years of age.

All players must play within their age group as at 11:59 pm on 31st August immediately prior to the competition unless they have completed the Age Banding Consent Form (appendix 1) and submitted it to the LOC with the Squad Registration Sheet. During all stages of the competition, Team Managers must at all times carry proof of age for all players and a copy of age. Note - in the case of illegitimate players and participating in area or county rounds, the school could be withdrawn from any further part in the competition.

UMPIRES

All schools entering teams for the County Tournament must provide a **suitably qualified/trained** umpire.

It is expected that at the U14 age group and above, a 'C' award umpire is to be used at County rounds. Umpire contacts can be found via Dorset Netball website. Contact the Dorset Netball Development Officer for details of umpires within the local area.

If a team has to withdraw, the school must:

a) inform the tournament organiser as soon as possible (within 48 hours) b) still provide an umpire on the tournament day

It is a condition of entry that members of staff/umpires make themselves available to umpire the final rounds if required to do so by the tournament referee. **N.B.** It is important that all schools are aware of their umpiring responsibilities in the semis and finals of these events.

Teams who do not reach the finals of the tournament are asked to remain until the end of the presentations.

The winners and runners up of all three tournaments will represent Dorset in the South West Regional Round of the National Schools Tournament in January 2024.

An independent tournament referee will be appointed to oversee each tournament.

TOURNAMENT REGULATIONS

See latest Rules and Regulations for England Netball Schools Handbook under heading of National Schools' Tournament

<https://www.EnglandNetball.co.uk/document/national-schools-regulations-2019-20/>

IMPORTANT DATES

THE COUNTY TOURNAMENT DATES LINKED DIRECTLY TO ENGLAND NETBALL SCHOOLS COMPETITION ARE:		
Wed 08 Nov Reserve: Wed 15 Nov	U19 County Tournament	Bryanston School 1.30pm Ceri Evans cle@bryanston.co.uk
Thu 09 Nov Reserve: Thu 16 Nov	U16 County Tournament	Budmouth Academy 1.30pm Louise Bugler lbugler@budmouth-aspirations.org
Thu 23 Nov Reserve: Thu 30 Nov	U14 County Tournament	Canford School 1.30pm Ellie Gibbons eamg@canford.com

<p><i>We also organise the following County Tournaments for the U15, U13, U12 age groups.</i></p> <p><i>These are <u>NOT</u> National Schools tournaments and do not go beyond County level. Each 'area' of Dorset may organise an area tournament.</i></p>			
Thu 29 Feb Thu 07 Mar	U15 County Tournament Canford School	2.00pm	Ellie Gibbons eamg@canford.com
Tues 05 Mar Tues 12 Mar	U13 County Tournament Parkstone Grammar School	1.30pm	Hayley McCalister hayley.mccalister@parkstone.poole.sch.uk
Wed 13 Mar Wed 20 Mar	U12 County Tournament Bournemouth School for Girls	1.30pm	Clare Allen callen@bsg.bournemouth.sch.uk

It is at the discretion of the individual school if an U13 or U15 player / team is deemed good enough to play up in the U14, U16 & U19 National Schools competition (banding appropriate), they CAN ALSO play in their own age groups for the Area and Dorset County Tournaments.

Good luck this season!

Do get in touch with your Area reps, if you have any queries.

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Appendix 1 - EN Age Banding Form

ENGLAND NETBALL AGE BANDING APPLICATION FORM

Name of Player _____	Club/School _____
County _____	Region _____
Date of Birth _____	Today's Date _____
Requesting to Play in Age Group _____	Competition _____
Requesting to be Age Banded for Season _____	_____

Contact details of person completing form:

Name:	Address:	
		Post Code:
Home Telephone:	Mobile:	
Email:		

The following must be completed and returned to the Competition Organiser of the competition the player is being considered to play in before the player is eligible to play out of their age band. By completing this form you are determining that this player is suitable to play above their current age band. Please refer to the Age Banding Guidance and Support document before completing this form.

1) Is the player currently in the England Performance Pathway (e.g. Satellite, County, Regional Academy)?	YES <input type="checkbox"/> Please proceed to question 2	
	NO <input type="checkbox"/> Please proceed to question 3	
2) Please state the level of the Performance Pathway the player is currently in, and the venue of the Academy		
3) What level of competition is the player currently involved in?		
4) What is the reason for the age band request?		
5) Who will support/mentor the player during the process for her feeling of 'ease' with the transition?	Name	Position
6) What monitoring strategy has been agreed by all interested parties?		

Please complete and tick the appropriate box

The player:-

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| • has shown the physical ability to compete at a higher level | YES | <input type="checkbox"/> | NO | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| • has shown the emotional ability to transition to a higher age band | YES | <input type="checkbox"/> | NO | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| • has the technical and tactical ability to take part the level of the higher age band | YES | <input type="checkbox"/> | NO | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| • progress will be regularly monitored | YES | <input type="checkbox"/> | NO | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| • The Team Coach has discussed this application with the player, the Club/School Safeguarding Officer and the players' parent(s)/guardian(s) (if the player is Under 18 years of age) | YES | <input type="checkbox"/> | NO | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Signed: _____ Coach
 _____ Club/School Safeguarding Officer
 _____ Parent

NB: Please note that approval is not needed for this process. Completion and submission of this form will act as approval for the player to play out of their age band, providing it is completed in full and received by the competition organiser within the timescales they permit. Please refer to the competition regulations before submitting this form

For queries relating to age banding please contact:
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 Leicestershire, LE11 3QF. The email address is
 Email: compevents@englandnetball.co.uk