

# **DOUBLE BAY DIAMONDS NETBALL CLUB BY-LAWS**



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# Double Bay Diamonds Netball Club Incorporated By-Laws Introduction

All By-Laws are subject to the Constitution of the Double Bay Diamonds Netball Club. These “By-laws” will apply to any Double Bay Diamonds Netball Club player playing in a Netball NSW affiliated Netball Association.

## 1. Membership

On registering, a person agrees to abide by the constitution, by-laws and policies of Double Bay Diamonds Netball Club.

Players wishing to register with the Club must complete the registration form and pay the applicable fee. The Executive Committee may consider individual applications for financial hardship. Double Bay Diamonds reserves the right to stand down from training and games players who are un-financial.

Late registrations may be accepted at the discretion of the executive committee and additional players may be registered to fill vacancies at the discretion of the Executive.

Players registering after the commencement of the competition shall pay the fees as determined by the Executive at the time of registration.

## 2. Player Grading and Team Selection

Player grading and the formation of teams will be as per Double Bay Diamonds Netball Club Grading Policy.

All players for the winter playing competition are required to attend grading sessions as per the policy.

Selections will consider both individual talents and team needs.

All appeals will be lodged via the Grading Appeals Form and in accordance with the Grading Policy.

## 3. Uniform

All players are required to wear the correct club uniform for matches. Players not in the correct uniform may be unable to participate in the match.

The playing uniform of the Club, as registered with Randwick Netball Association Inc., is as follows:

## Female Playing Uniform

- Navy blue and blue playing dress with blue or black playing shorts under dress
- White or Double Bay Diamonds branded socks

## Male Playing Uniform

- Navy blue and blue playing top and shorts for male players
- White or Double Bay Diamonds branded socks

## 4. Player Requirements

Each player shall:

1. Abide by the Double Bay Diamonds Code of Conduct and any other relevant policy outlined by Double Bay Diamonds Netball Club.
2. Wear full playing uniform for each competition match as required by the club
3. Attend training sessions unless prevented by illness or injury.
4. Support the club in its activities.
5. Pay all fees as requested, by the due date.
6. Present themselves for grading, as requested.
7. Be prepared to play in any team as directed by the Executive Committee.
8. Be prepared to play in a competition match at any time required by Randwick Netball Association Inc.
9. Present themselves at the court specified by RNA Inc., for each competition match at the time specified by the coach for commencement of the match (except when officially involved in the previous timeslot).

## 5. Coaching Requirements

At Double Bay Diamonds, we pride ourselves on the professionalism of our Coaching Team. All coaches must hold a current Netball NSW coaching accreditation. All coaches over 18 must maintain a current Working with Children Check.

All Coaches must:

1. Abide by the Double Bay Diamonds Code of Conduct
2. Abide by the Double Bay Diamonds Coaches Agreement and Guidelines
3. Endeavour to improve their knowledge and skills as a coach and attend coaching clinics and other coaching development and training where possible.
4. Plan training sessions in accordance with the Coaches Agreement and Guidelines which have a strong focus on skill development and are varied, fun and engaging.

5. Manage game day court time ensuring a fair and just amount of playing time for all team members over the course of the season.
6. Ensure all team members take the court for at least one quarter of court time in final matches.
7. Be accountable to the club for individual player skill development and team outcomes.
8. Forward to the Coaching Coordinator a completed copy of the Team Evaluation Form.
9. Encourage and promote good sportsmanship between team members, their parents and supporters and with other netball teams as well as with Club Officials and members.

Final Coaching payments will not be released until the Coaches Evaluation Form has been completed and submitted.

## 6. Team Managers

Team Managers will be appointed for each team by the Executive Committee. Team Managers will be a liaison between the Executive Team, Team Coach, Parents and Players. Team Managers will be responsible for:

1. All tasks as outlined in the Double Bay Diamonds Team Managers Guide as located on the Double Bay Diamonds Website.
2. Team Communications – Filtering of relevant information from the Team Managers WhatsApp group chat to their relevant team chat.
3. Confirming and communicating player training and game availability.
4. Bringing bibs, clipboard and Player of the Match voucher to each match.
5. Correct completion of the score card including players' signatures, umpires' signatures, captains' signatures.
6. Ensuring all score cards for winning games are returned to Randwick Netball Association Control at the conclusion of the game.

## 7. Replacement Players and Forfeits

As a club we endeavour to avoid teams forfeiting wherever possible. Randwick Netball Association have a flexible policy making it possible for teams to have a player fill in whilst still playing in their own team. As per RNA's policy, players can play a limited number of additional games to their own team game, provided the team they are filling in for does not have 7 players and is a higher age group and/or division.

## Replacement Players

A Team Manager will conduct a poll via the Team WhatsApp chat to confirm availability for each match.

Should a team not have 7 players available for a match, the applicable Executive Member will be notified, and they will try to find an appropriate replacement player.

There are restrictions such as age and how many additional games a player has played so all replacement players must be approved/provided by the assigned Executive Member.

## Forfeits

Any teams needing to forfeit must first contact the Club Secretary for approval. Forfeits need to be communicated by the Secretary to Randwick Netball Association by 5pm on the Friday night prior to the scheduled match.

Please email :

[gabby@highperformancenetball.com.au](mailto:gabby@highperformancenetball.com.au). on any correspondence regarding forfeits.

If your opponent forfeits, you will be notified as soon as possible.

Players are not required to be listed on the scorecard. Players can play another game (and will be credited as one game). If you aren't at Heffron (as you aren't playing), please ensure that the scorecard has been marked correctly with the opponent as forfeiting.

## 8. Umpires

All members wishing to umpire for Double Bay Diamonds must have completed and passed the Rules of Netball theoretical exam on the Netball NSW website and be familiar with the Umpire Accreditation System.

### [UMPIRE ACCREDITATION - Netball NSW](#)

1. Double Bay Diamonds offers a mentor program for our Umpires wishing to continue their skill development within Netball NSW umpiring pathways. Opportunities for mentoring will be at the invitation of the Umpire Coordinator.
2. The Umpire Coordinator, or delegate as nominated by the Executive Committee from year to year, will devise a draw of umpiring duties for weekly competition games. The draw will be released weekly via an assigned WhatsApp chat group.
3. If an Umpire is unable to fulfill their allocated match, the Umpire Coordinator must be advised as soon as possible.

4. Members who fulfil umpiring duties for competition games (excluding semi's, finals and grand finals) will be paid a fee to be determined year to year by the Executive Committee.
5. All umpires are bound by the relevant by-laws as set out by Association where the team is registered.

## 9. Disputes

Any dispute requiring the intervention of the Double Bay Diamonds Netball Club Inc Executive Committee must be submitted in writing to the Secretary. The Executive Committee will consider the issue at the next available Executive meeting, and take any action deemed appropriate by a majority of the committee.

Any dispute arising from an Association competition match and requiring the intervention of the Association Executive Committee must be presented in writing to the Double Bay Diamonds Netball Club Secretary not later than 5 days after the incident.

## 10. Wet or Extreme Weather

Double Bay Diamonds will always proceed with the course of action that we deem appropriate with consideration to harm minimalization. We will not proceed with training in extreme heat, electrical storms or if the courts are deemed too dangerous to continue. We may decide to continue in light or patchy rain conditions.

### Trainings

The relevant Executive team member (Secretary, President or nominated delegate) will, in conjunction with the coaches, make a decision on wet or extreme weather for team trainings. Team Managers will be advised of cancellations on relevant WhatsApp chats.

Should heavy rain event occur midway through a training session, the coach will escort all players to a sheltered area in proximity to the training court and notify parents via the WhatsApp chat of the players location. Coaches will not leave any junior teams (players under 18) until all players have been collected by a parent or guardian.

### Games

RNA decides on games proceeding in wet weather. Players should be prepared to attend their games unless otherwise notified. Once the Double Bay Diamonds Executive has been advised of a cancellation by RNA Team Managers will be updated via the Team Managers WhatsApp chat and the information will be filtered through to affected teams.

## 11. Fundraising

All Members, when registering, agree to participate in any fundraising events offered by the club where possible.

## 12. Emergency Practices

In the event of an emergency at training or a game, ring for an ambulance, police or any other emergency services if deemed necessary.

All emergencies must be reported to a member of the Executive in a timely manner.