

WORCESTER CITY NETBALL LEAGUE 2009/10

CONSTITUTION

The purpose and aims of the Worcester City Netball League is to further advance and promote the game of netball.

The Committee will consist of Officers who shall have the power to co-opt a further six (6) members onto the Committee.

The Committee will be headed by:-

President
Vice President
Hon. Vice President

The Officers of the Committee will be:-

Chairperson
Vice Chairperson
General Secretary
Fixtures Secretary
Umpire Secretary
Affiliation Secretary
Tournament Secretary
AGM Secretary
Treasurer
Assistant Treasurer
Press Officer
IT Officer

1. All members of Worcester City Netball League Committee must be affiliated to England Netball and Worcester City Netball League.
2. The President and Vice President will remain in office until such time that they wish to stand down. Nominations for these posts will be made by the Committee.
3. All outgoing officers will remain in office until the allocation of a new Committee.
4. All members of the Committee may re-stand for election or by proposal of nomination for office no later than 14 days prior to the Annual General Meeting.
5. In the event of two or more persons seeking office a vote will be taken by a show of hands for the nominees who will leave the room.
6. If any office becomes vacant during the season the Committee will have the power to fill that vacancy until the AGM.
7. Committee meetings will be held on stated dates agreed at the first Committee meeting in the elected year and all committee members are expected to attend.
8. The quorum should be not less than one third of the total Committee.
9. The Annual General Meeting will be held on the last Monday in September each and every year.
10. Notification of the AGM to be at least 28 days prior to the meeting.
11. Amendments to the Constitution and Rules of the League should be sent in writing to the AGM secretary at least 14 days before the AGM.
12. Any rule amendments agreed at the AGM will come into force immediately.

13. Votes on issues at the AGM should be one vote per team plus one vote for each Committee member including the Chairperson. Should there be a split vote then the Chairperson will take the casting vote.
14. An Extraordinary General Meeting may be considered and called by the General Secretary if so warranted by the Affiliated Member. All affiliated members may request through the General Secretary such a meeting.
15. Committee members do not vote at any meetings on issues relating specifically to their club or team or on which they have a pecuniary interest.
16. Any complaint must be put in writing to the General Secretary within 14 days of the incident; this will then be brought to the next Committee meeting.
17. All fixtures should be drawn up and approved by the Committee.
18. The League Tournaments may be held throughout the year at the discretion of the Committee.
19. The Committee may set up sub-committees if so required.
20. The Committee will review annually the WCNL subscription fees for entry to the winter and Summer Leagues.
21. A Disciplinary Committee should be appointed every year at the AGM by affiliated members of the WCNL. The representatives must include the Chairperson and the Secretary of the WCNL Committee. Other representatives to include registered participants to the league. The nominees should be co-opted onto the WCNL Committee and shall attend any such disciplinary meetings at the request of the Committee. No representative may vote or take part in a discussion in which they have an interest or be part of the team/club.
22. **Code of Conduct** – WCNL Committee expects that all affiliated members shall uphold the aims, objectives, ethos and rules of WCNL at all times. There shall be a general duty upon all members to be aware of their own conduct and its effect upon others; in particular:-
 - i) affiliated members are expected at all times to present a high standard of personal integrity and conduct which will not reflect adversely upon WCNL;
 - ii) all affiliated members shall behave reasonably and with courtesy towards each other;
 - iii) all affiliated members are entitled to be heard provided that they do not conflict with this code of conduct;
 - iv) all affiliated members are entitled to respect from others;
 - v) all affiliated members are entitled to be treated with dignity;
 - vi) all affiliated members have the right not to be oppressed;
 - vii) No affiliated member shall be subject to any form of aggressive behaviour whether physical, verbal or emotional.

Any alleged breach of these codes of conduct to any member shall be investigated by the Committee and may if proved result in disciplinary action.

“No participant, volunteer, job applicant or employee will receive less favourable treatment on the grounds of gender, marital status, social class, colour, race, ethnic origin, religious belief, sexual orientation or disability or will be disadvantaged by conditions or requirements which are not relevant to performance.”

No amendments September 2009 – Bev Weaver
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