

Avon Netball Association

League Handbook

2018/19

Netball

Avon



Information for the 2018/19 Season

PLEASE READ !

- ❖ Dates for your diary

End of Season Tournament	Sat 18th May
Annual General Meeting	Thurs 16th May

- Umpiring Requirements

Premier and Division 1	B award or above
Div 2	C award working to B (attended a B course)
Divs 3-10	C award or above

- ❖ There is no travelling time built into the fixture list. It is not feasible to travel between venues to umpire consecutive matches. Umpires who are asked to do this should decline. There will be points deducted for teams who provide umpires who are consistently late. Games must start on time.
- ❖ If you are unable to field a team and wish to cancel, please let me know immediately. You must also let your opponents know in good time so that they can make their arrangements. You will need to tell the teams that were due to umpire your match that they do not need to send umpires. Lastly, you will still need to fulfill your umpiring duty and will have to provide the other umpire on behalf of your opponents. Remember, if you cancel then you lose the points.
- ❖ If you wish to postpone your game, please refer to League Regulation 8 regarding the correct procedure.
- ❖ Reminder - Players may only play in the Avon League once on any one day. If you have more than one team and one of their games is postponed, you may not play in the re-arranged game if you played in one of your other teams on the original date of the match. Teams found playing players twice will have their points deducted.
- ❖ Players under 14 are not permitted to play in the league without prior permission of the League Committee.
- ❖ Please make sure that all players carry their registration cards. Checks will be made and any teams found playing an unregistered player will lose points.
- ❖ Please remember to give / phone your score to your division rep. by **6pm on the day of the match**. If you cannot reach her, then please phone me instead. We will not be phoning round for scores - remember, no score, no points.
- ❖ PLEASE BE AWARE, we cannot guarantee that promotion/relegation will be 2 up and 2 down. Whilst we will always endeavor to promote 2 teams, there may be a need to relegate 3 teams if there needs to be a space made to accommodate relegation from the Regional League .
- ❖ Please be reminded that contact details in this fixture list are confidential and should not be shared with any outside agency, or published on any website. Clubs breaching this condition will be excluded from the league.

Affiliation Costs	England Netball	Avon Netball	Netball South West	Total
Adult	£36	£2.50	£3.00	£41.50
U 18 (as at 31 st Aug)	£16.30	£1.25	£3.00	£20.55
U14 (as at 31 st Aug)	£8.55	£1.25	£3.00	£12.80
U11 (as at 31 st Aug)	£5.30	£0..00	£0.00	£5.30

- ❖ Lastly, have a good season. If you have a problem, then please don't hesitate to call the appropriate committee member - **but please, not after 8pm**

AVON NETBALL ASSOCIATION – LEAGUE REGULATIONS

1. All matches will be played on dates arranged by the League Secretary.
2. Each match will consist of a full length game of four quarters of 15 minutes and be governed by current EN rules. Copies of these rules can be obtained from the County Umpiring Secretary.
3. Points will be awarded as follows : - 5 pts for a win, 3 for a draw, 2 pts if within 5 goals and 1 pt if the losing team scores over 50% of the winning team's score. Winning teams must notify their Divisional Rep of the score by 6pm on the day of the match. In the event of a draw, both teams should pass on the result. If unable to contact the Div.Rep., the League Secretary should be contacted direct.
 - 3.1 Scores not received by the stated time may not be awarded. Persistent offenders will be fined.
 - 3.2 At the end of the season, numbers of teams involved in promotion and relegation will be decided by the League Committee.
4. Players may play for only one club within the league during the season. If a player wishes to leave an existing club and join another part way through the season, she must apply to the League Secretary, stating her reasons for leaving. The League Committee reserve the right to approach both clubs prior to making a decision. Players wishing to change club must not play for their new club until a) notification has been received from the League Secretary and b) a minimum 2-week period (from the time of the request) has elapsed. Teams playing players who have not informed the League Secretary may be liable to loss of points and loss of deposit.
5. Each **TEAM** must send a representative to the AGM. Failure to do so will result in a fine, which will be loss of deposit.
6. A League Affiliation fee must be paid per team by the date stipulated by the League Committee. The fee will be ratified at the AGM.
7. Each club must affiliate to the County and each player to EN as stipulated in the Constitution. Failure to do so will render the club ineligible to play in the League. Teams playing unregistered players will be liable to loss of points and loss of deposit.
 - 7.1 Players playing in the Avon League must be first registered to the club they are representing unless covered by Rule 4. If a club wishes to affiliate a 2nd claim player, permission must be sought from the League Secretary. No more than two 2nd claim players may be registered. Players who play in a higher league, e.g. Regional, may be ineligible. Players who already play for an Avon club may not 2nd affiliate to another Avon club to play within the Avon League.
 - 7.2 No player under 14 may play in the league without permission from the League Committee
 - 7.3 Affiliation cards should be carried at all events. Div. Reps will periodically make spot checks.
8. Matches will be played at netball centres decided upon by the County Committee. Postponements are only allowed at the discretion of the League Committee. Any such requests must be made in writing to the League Secretary at least one month in advance of the game, unless for unforeseen circumstances.
 - 8.1 If two or more players are participating in an EN organised event of which the League Committee is aware, a request for postponement will be automatically granted. Postponements for any other reason will be dealt with at the discretion of the League Committee.
 - 8.2 A team allowed to postpone will still have to fulfil its umpiring commitments for the Saturday concerned by providing the **TWO UMPIRES** required.
 - 8.3 Except in the case of bad weather (see rule 12), postponed games must be played within 4 weeks of the original date. The team not responsible for the postponement must offer a minimum of 4 dates, of which at least one should be at the weekend. Once the date has been agreed and confirmed, the match must be played or forfeited by the team unable to play.
 - 8.4 If a game is abandoned, a report should be made to the League Secretary by both teams. Captains and umpires need to discuss very carefully why they consider the game needs to be abandoned before doing so. The League Committee will decide the outcome of the game, but in general results will stand if a game is abandoned due to injury or bad weather during the 3rd or 4th quarter.
 - 8.5 Postponing because of weather conditions will only be authorised by the League Secretary, or in his/her absence by a representative from the County or League Committees. In times of bad weather, when matches are in doubt, please ring your Division rep. or check the Avon netball website between 8.00 am and 8.30 am. The League Secretary will inform teams of the re-arranged date when games should be played
 - 8.6 If reserve dates are used for re-arranged games, teams unable to fulfil their fixtures on this date must apply for a postponement within the specified time scale given. No postponements will be granted outside this period unless covered by Rule 8.1
9. Each club must have registered to them the appropriate umpire(s), qualification as stated on the current fixture list, to officiate at their designated matches. There should be the correct number of umpires for the number of teams entered. Failure to do so will result in loss of deposit. Clubs playing in divisions which require an umpire with an ENA qualification, but have no such umpire, may face demotion to a lower division

and / or lose points, if no effort is made to attend courses and take tests with qualifications in mind.

- 9.1 In the event of only one umpire being present at a match, the game will be postponed. The teams concerned shall arrange a mutually convenient date and venue for the match to be replayed. The team who failed to supply the umpire shall be subject to the conditions outlined in rule 10.
 - 9.2 Clubs must use their own umpires for at least 50% of their matches.
 - 9.3 There is no extra time allowed for umpires to travel between venues. Games must start at the time specified on the fixture list. Umpires who persistently arrive later than 5 minutes after the start time of their game may incur a fine for the club they were umpiring for.
 - 9.4 Each team shall provide a scorer to accompany their umpire. Teams that fail to provide scorers may face loss of deposit. Persistent offenders will also be subject to loss of points.
10. In the event of a team failing to fulfil their umpiring commitment, they will be docked 2 points, lose their deposit and incur all the expenses of the rearranged match. The deposit must be repaid by the date stipulated by the League Secretary to enable the team to continue playing in the league.
- 10.1 Second and subsequent offences of failing to provide an umpire will result in further fines and loss of points. Persistent offenders may face suspension from the League.
 - 10.2 A team who is unable to fulfil their umpiring commitment must inform the teams they are due to umpire by **6pm of the night before the match**. The defaulting team will be: a) responsible for the expenses of the rearranged game b) responsible for paying the umpires sent by the postponed teams who still had to fulfil their duty umpiring the defaulting team's match.
11. An initial deposit of £20 must be lodged with the Treasurer when first entering the League. This is refundable in the event of a team retiring from the League at the end of the season, providing all their commitments have been fulfilled. If a team withdraws before the end of the season, the deposit is forfeited.
- 10.1 The deposit is also used as a fine for breach of rules. When repaying a deposit due to a fine, it increases to £30.
 - 10.2 New teams will join the League in the lowest division, unless the League Committee uses its discretion to place them in a higher position.
12. In the case of any dispute or query, teams should contact the League Secretary in writing.
13. Teams will take to the court at the allotted time once both umpires are present. Play will start provided both teams have 5 or more players. Teams **must** take to the court with 5 players. If one team has not arrived or has fewer than 5 players present, the umpires will start timing and for **each full minute** that the defaulting team does not take to the court, they will award one goal to the non-offending team. Once the late team has arrived, play can start but the first quarter will end 15 mins from when the umpires first started their watches. There will be no extension of time, or starting of the game from scratch because of the late arrivals. When the late team arrives, timing and awarding of goals continues whilst they prepare themselves to take the court. If after 15 mins the absent team has not arrived then the game will be awarded to the team that is present, unless a genuine reason is offered by the defaulting team. If the game is awarded, the goal fine will not count.
14. Players are not permitted to play in more than one ANA league game that is scheduled for the same day. This includes games that are postponed and rescheduled for a different date. E.g. – A club has 3 games scheduled for the same Saturday. The 2nd team game is postponed but the others played. A 3rd team player plays for the 3rd team on the scheduled date. She cannot therefore play in the 2nd team game when it is rescheduled, even though it may be played many weeks later.
- 15.1 It would be deemed against the spirit of the game for a player to be played in a lower team, unless covered by the conditions of the Player Category Sheet. This includes re-arranged fixtures or when the higher team is not playing or when that higher team plays in a different league. Players who are named on Regional League squad sheets may not play in the Avon League unless there are special circumstances. Permission for these players to play in the Avon League must be sought from the League Secretary. .
 - 15.2 At the start of the season, each club must fill in a squad sheet, which should be returned to the League Secretary. Specific rules are in place regarding the eligibility of named squad members. Please see the Player Category Sheet guidelines for specific details.
15. Pregnancy. ENA rules state that any player who is 12 weeks or more into her pregnancy and any umpire who is no longer able to keep up with play, will not be eligible to play / umpire at any netball event.
16. Discipline. Teams are reminded that they are responsible for their players and spectators. Rough or dangerous play, verbal or physical intimidation, misconduct or other inappropriate conduct will not be tolerated, and will be dealt with according to ENA's discipline code.
17. Any item not covered by these regulations will be dealt with at the League Committee's discretion.
18. From July 2018 all previous Rules and Regulations are hereby revoked.

COUNTY & LEAGUE OFFICERS – 2018/19

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<p><u>PREMIER</u> A – Cosmos B – Bradley Stoke C – Harlequins D – Longwell Lightning E – Bristol Storm F – Fry G – Independents H – Weston I – Winterbourne J – Premier Romans 3 K – Chipping Sodbury</p>	<p><u>DIVISION ONE</u> A – Mangotsfield Dragons B – Ashton Aces C – T J Saracens 2 D – Team Bath 2 E – Mavericks 2 F – Bristol Storm 2 G – imperial 2 H – Oasis I – Crossbow 2 J – Bath Cougars K – Genesis</p>	<p><u>DIVISION TWO</u> A – Brandon B – Bradley Stoke 2 C – Jets D – Chipping Sodbury 2 E – Airborne F – Team Bath 3 G – Skybound H – Harlequins 2 I – Genesis 2 J – Sparks</p>
<p><u>DIVISION THREE</u> A – Team Bath 4 B – Brandon 2 C – Panthers D – Premier Romans 4 E – Genesis 3 F – Archway G – Bath Cougars 2 H – Fry 2 I – Crossbow 3 J – Easton T (formerly Genesis 3)</p>	<p><u>DIVISION FOUR</u> A – Almondsbury 2 B – Ashton 2 C – Doves D – Skybound 2 E – Optimum F – Optimum 2 G – Bristol & West H – Sparks 2 I – Easton Cowgirls K J – Novers</p>	<p><u>DIVISION FIVE</u> A – Wired B – Archway 2 C – Imperial 3 D – Bristol Storm 3 E – Independents 2 F – Panthers 2 G – Phoenix H – Bradley Stoke 3 I – Frampton J – Panthers 3</p>
<p><u>DIVISION SIX</u> A – Bristol Banners B – Bristol & West 2 C – Jets 2 D – T J Saracens 3 E – Bath Cougars F – Chipping Sodbury 3 G – Crossbow 4 H – Longwell Lightning 2 I – Skylarks Blue J – Winterbourne 2</p>	<p><u>DIVISION SEVEN</u> A – The Lamb B – Team Bath 5 C – Brislington D – Olveston E – Skybound 3 F – Phoenix 2 G – Airborne 2 H – Fry 3 I – Oasis 2 J – Mangotsfield Dragons 2</p>	<p><u>DIVISION EIGHT</u> A – Bradley Stoke 4 B – Olveston 2 C – Harlequins 3 D – Chipping Sodbury 4 E – Bristol Storm 4 F – Bath Cougars 4 G – Imperial 4 H – Jets 3 I – Brandon 3 J – Frampton 2</p>
<p><u>DIVISION NINE</u> A – Sparks 3 B – Skylarks White C – Bristol & West 3 D – Sherston Shooters E – Doves 2 F – Independents 3 G – University of Bristol Medics team (formerly Galenicals) H – Oasis 3 I – Easton Cowgirls P J – Newbridge</p>	<p><u>DIVISION TEN.</u> A – Wired 2 B – Wotton Wunders C – Longwell Lightning 3 D – Airborne 3 E – Thornbury F – EMU G – Fry 4 H – Harlequins 4 I – Mangotsfield 3</p>	

Fixtures for Divs Premier and 1 only. B award or above umpires required.

All games at UWE/Bradley Stoke School unless otherwise indicated

Date	UWE				Bradley Stoke School	
	10.00	11.30	1.00	2.30	1.00 Div 1	2.30 Prem
September 15th	E v F cd	C v D ef	A v B gh	G v H ab		
September 22nd	A v K fh	F v H ak	C v G ij	I v J cg	D v E de	D v E de
September 29th	H v I ck	C v K hi	B v J eg	E v G bj	A v F af	A v F af
October 6th	H v J gi	G v I hj	A v D bc	B v C ad	E v K ek	E v K ek
October 13 th	G v K ac	A v C gk	D v I ej	E v J di	B v F bf	B v F bf
October 20th	B v H cf	C v F bh	A v E jk	J v K ae	D v G dg	D v G dg
November 10th	D v H ce	C v E dh	G v J fi	F v I gj	B v K bk	B v K bk
November 17 th	E v H ag	A v G eh	B v I fj	F v J bi		
November 24 th	F v K ch	C v H fk	B v G dj	D v J bg	A v I ai	A v I ai
December 1st	A v J df	D v F aj	B v E ci	C v I be	H v K hk	H v K hk
December 8th	A v H ik	I v K ah	B v D cj	C v J bd	F v G fg	F v G fg
January 12 th	Prem at SBL instead of UWE. Div 1 at Abbeywood instead of UWE				Bradley Stoke as per usual	
	G v H cd	C v D gh	E v I ab	A v B ei	J v K jk	J v K jk
January 19th	Games at St Brendan's. Prem in the morning, Div 1 in the afternoon				Bradley Stoke as ;per usual	
	B v C ik	I v K bc	B v C ik	Iv K bc	D v E de	D v E de
January 26th	C v G bf	B v F cg	A v J ei	E v I aj	D v K dk	D v K dk
February 2nd	A v H be	B v E ah	C v J fk	F v K cj	D v G dg	D v G dg
February 16th	E v H gi	G v I eh	C v F dj	D v J cf		
March 2nd	B v H ad	A v D bh	G v J ck	C v K gj	F v I fi	F v I fi
March 9 th	A v F bi	B v I af	G v K ce	C v E gk	H v J hj	H v J hj
March 16th	D v H ci	C v I dh	E v F ak	A v K ef	B v J bj	B v J bj
March 23th	B v K ch	C v H bk	D v I fg	F v G di	A v E ae	A v E ae
March 30th	H v K df	D v F hk	E v J bg	B v G ej	A v I ai	A v I ai
April 6th	F v H ag	A v G fh	E v K bd	B v D ek	I v J ij	I v J ij
April 27 th	H v I dk	D v K hi	E v G ac	A v C eg	F v J fj	F v J fj

Fixtures for Divs 2-9 only

Umpires – Working towards B - Div 2, C award all other divisions.

Venues – Div 2 Abbeywood. Div 3 SBL. Divs 4,5,6 & 7 Abbeywood. Divs 8,9,10 Bradley Stoke School

Date	10.00	11.30	1.00	2.30
September 15th	E v F cd	C v D ef	A v B gh	G v H ab
September 22nd	D v E fh	F v H de	C v G ij	I v J cg
September 29th	B v J hi	H v I bj	E v G af	A v F eg
October 6th	G v I hj	H v J gi	A v D bc	B v C ad
October 13th	D v G cf	C v F dg	A v E bh	B v H ae
October 20th	A v C ej	E v J ac	B v F di	D v I bf
November 10th	F v I ce	C v E fi	G v J dh	D v H gj
November 17th	E v H ag	A v G eh	B v I fj	F v J bi
November 24th	D v J ch	C v H dj	B v G ai	A v I bg
December 1st	B v E df	D v F be	A v J ci	C v I aj
December 8th	B v D fg	F v G bd	A v H cj	C v J ah
January 19th	E v I cd	C v D ei	G v H ab	A v B gh
January 26th	F v J ag	A v G fj	B v C de	D v E bc
February 2nd	C v E hj	H v J ce	B v I af	A v F bi
February 9th	D v G be	B v E dg	C v J ah	A v H cj
February 16 th	F v H ij	I v J fh		
March 2nd	C v F eh	E v H cf	G v I dj	D v J gi
March 9th	B v H ad	A v D bh	G v J fi	F v I gj
March 16th	A v E ch	C v H ae	D v I fg	F v G di
March 23rd	E v F ci	C v I ef	B v J dh	D v H bj
March 30th	C v G bf	B v F cg	A v J ei	E v I aj
April 6th	E v J df	D v F ej	A v I bg	B v G ai
April 27th	A v C bd	B v D ac	E v G hi	H v I eg

Fixtures for Div 10 Bradley Stoke School – C award umpires needed

Greyed out cells - teams for these matches to provide their own neutral umpires. There will be no other umpire commitment on that day.

Date	10.00	11.30	1.00	2.30
September 15th	E v F cd	C v D ef	A v B gh	G v H ab
September 22nd	A v H de	D v E ah	G v I	No game
September 29th	E v G af	A v F eg	B v C dh	D v H bc
October 6th	B v I	No game	No game	No game
October 13 th	A v D be	B v E ad	C v G fh	F v H cg
October 20th	B v H cf	C v F bh	A v I	No game
November 10th	A v G df	D v F ag	E v I	No game
November 17th	A v C eh	E v H ac	B v F dg	D v G bf
November 24th	B v G ce	C v E bg	D v I	No game
December 1st	C v H ae	A v E ch	F v I	No game
December 8th	B v D fg	F v G bd	C v I	No game
January 12 th	H v I	No game	No game	No game
January 19th	E v F cd	C v D ef	A v B gh	G v H ab
January 26th	A v H de	D v E ah	G v I	No game
February 2nd	E v G af	A v F eg	B v C dh	D v H bc
February 9th	A v D be	B v E ad	C v G fh	F v H cg
February 16th	B v I	No game	No game	No game
March 2nd	B v H cf	C v F bh	A v I	No game
March 16th	A v G df	D v F ag	E v I	No game
March 23rd	A v C eh	E v H ac	B v F dg	D v G bf
March 30th	B v G ce	C v E bg	D v I	No game
April 6th	C v H ae	A v E ch	F v I	No game
April 27th	B v D	F v G	C v I	No game