



Southern Tasmania Netball Association Rep Program - Codes of Play

WELCOME

To all players, parents, caregivers, and coaches, welcome to the Southern Tasmania Netball Association (STNA) Representative Team for 2023.

STNA Rep Teams 11U – 17U will play in Regional Association competitions throughout the year. We aim to give our players the opportunity to play netball at a higher level to develop and play to their highest potential. Representative netball provides an opportunity to further develop and hone players' netball skills and provides a pathway where players can aspire to play at elite levels. The philosophy of representative netball is to play for the win on the day.

Playing a higher level of sport develops strong personal and team discipline. Playing representative netball for STNA is an honour and comes with certain expectations. Cases of misconduct by players, parents/caregivers or coaches are treated very seriously by the STNA, and will be dealt with in accordance with [STNA by-laws, policies and procedures](#) and the [STNA Codes of Behaviour](#).

This Information Pack exists to remind you of those expectations and as a guide to the program and to answer common questions.

We hope you have a great season in 2023 and look forward to seeing you grow as players and people within the STNA Rep Program.

PLAYER EXPECTATIONS

STNA want all our teams and players to be successful in a competitive but harmonious environment. We encourage all our players to bring a positive attitude to the program and strive to be their best selves. We encourage all our players to:

- Have and display respect and support for your coach and team manager
- Respect and support your fellow team members
- Respect the umpires and their decisions
- Commit to attend every training session and carnivals
- Commit to maintain fitness
- Wear your uniform with pride
- Adhere to the STNA Codes of Behaviour



PARENT EXPECTATIONS

We expect parents of players to behave in a fair and reasonable manner in line with the following expectations:

- Total respect and support of your child's coach and team manager
- Respect for your fellow parents/caregivers
- Respect for umpiring decisions
- Respect for all the players in your child's team and their opposition
- Positive support for players
- Under no circumstances can parents coach from sidelines – or be negative
- We expect parents to be aware of and adhere to the STNA Code of Behaviour.

COACH EXPECTATIONS

We expect coaches of teams to behave in a fair and reasonable manner in line with the following expectations:

- Total respect and support team athletes
- Respect for umpiring decisions, regardless of your opinion
- Respect for all the players and coaches on both team and opposition
- Positive support for player
- Constructive feedback
- Effective communication delivery within the team
- Adhere to the STNA Codes of Behaviour

QUALIFYING

As the Representative team is representing STNA, we require all participants to adhere to STNA Codes of Behaviour throughout the Rep season.

Players are expected to fully participate in all training sessions and carnivals. Failure to meet this condition will result in a loss of a place in team. Extenuating circumstances may be taken into account by the coaching committee.

ABSENCE

It is the responsibility of each player to inform your coach, via a phone call, if you are unable to attend training as early as possible. Non-attendance at training can result in reduced court time. Any player, who is absent from training on a regular and continual basis without an accepted reason may be removed from the team.

INJURIES/ILLNESS

Any player who sustains an injury or becomes ill must notify their coach immediately. Injured players are expected to attend training sessions, and carnivals.



A letter from the primary care giver/doctor stating that they are able to resume training may be required.

Where a player has a long-term injury, the coach should be notified of the management requirements of this injury and the effect on the players ability to train and play. In the event of a player being unavailable for the remainder of the season – a player from the team below or trial list will be bought up into the team.

COURT TIME

Court time and the allocation of player positions is up to the discretion of the Coach following the guidelines below:

- Court time during across carnivals, including two-day tournaments and any finals, is entirely decided by the Coach.
- There is no expectation that every player will participate in every game.

HOW TO PREPARE FOR YOUR UPCOMING CARNIVAL

- Ensure you are well hydrated and that the appropriate food has been eaten the day before.
- Arrive at least 30 minutes before match start time, or as advised by coach.
- Read the weather forecast and bring appropriate items e.g. warm clothing for the cold, sunscreen and extra hydration for hot weather.
- All players are expected to support our other teams in finals.
- Food and drinks are important part of maintaining energy levels throughout the day.

QUERIES AND CONCERNS

- Any queries should be first directed to the coach of your team at an agreed time.
- Any queries or concerns should be discussed with your coach at training away from the playing group.
- Please do not approach coaches with a query or concern during a game.
- If you would like to discuss a query or concern after a game or at a Carnival, please ask the Coach to step away to a private space at an appropriate moment (not whilst they are addressing the team or another parent).
- Please ensure you remain composed and use appropriate language throughout the conversation.
- Any urgent or unresolved matters can be brought to the attention of the Coaching convenor via email coaching.convenor@stna.org.au



CODES OF PLAY AGREEMENT

Please sign the below if you agree to the above Codes of Play and accept your position within your team:

Player

Name of Rep Player _____

Rep player Signature _____

Date _____

Parent

Name of Rep Parent/carer _____

Rep Parent/carer Signature _____

Date _____

Coach

Name of Coach _____

Coach Signature _____

Date _____