



Version 2

**Saturday 22nd June 2024**

**U12, U13, U14 & U15**  
**Pendle Vale College**  
**Oxford Rd, Nelson BB9 8LF**

**ENTRY ALLOWED FROM 7.30am ONLY**

**DO NOT DOUBLE PARK ON OXFORD ROAD AT THE BOTTOM OF THE SCHOOL. STAY OFF THE DOUBLE YELLOW LINES BUT YOU MAY PARK ON THE ZIG ZAG LINES. DO NOT PARK ON THE GRASS IN THE SCHOOL CAR PARK!**

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# Junior Tournament Regulations 2024

**Tournament Referee: Amy Preedy & Jane Moodie**

**Umpire Referee: Helen Tomlinson**

The tournament shall be played to EN rules. All Clubs must be affiliated.

The Tournament Referee will decide on any matter arising during the course of the event.

**The referee's decision shall be final.**

## Venue

Pendle Vale College, Oxford Road, Nelson BB9 8LF.

There is ample parking, but where possible please can car sharing take place to minimise impact on the surrounding area.

## Registration

On arrival please report to the organiser's table to register any teams and umpires.

U12 & U14 to register from 7.30am, U13 & U15 to register from 12pm.

## Injuries & Substitutions

There is no injury time, but common sense must rule here. If it is safe to move the injured player then do so and replace as per England Netball rulings. If it is not safe to move the injured player, the score of the game at the point of injury will stand as the final result. Any player who is bleeding should be asked to leave the court or preferably treated at the side of the court immediately to cover the wound. Substitutions for injuries can be carried out as rolling subs during the game.

**However they must take the injured players' place and there is no moving of players.**

Please inform an umpire of the change.

## Team Bench

Coaches, manager, physio and players are the only people allowed on court and they must stand to the right of the post where their team is defending in the first half and must not move. No spectators are allowed inside the courts.

**Points will be deducted from teams if this is not adhered to.**

## Age Groups

Players must be under their team age on the 1<sup>st</sup> September 2023. Proof of age should be available if required. Teams failing to turn up on the day or withdrawing after the closing date has passed will lose all monies paid. **Players may only play for one team per age group at the time their age group is playing. They may play up for one other team. Squads consist of a maximum of 12 players. Medals for 12 players will be provided if required.**

## Umpires

**UMPIRE CARDS WILL BE PROVIDED** to all teams.

Umpires brought by a club will be given their match cards ahead of the start of the tournament to be collected from the registration desk when registering.

Any issues with shortage of umpires need reporting to the registration desk & we will accommodate where we can.

**The teams' umpires will then be expected to swap matches and the two umpires from the losing teams will umpire the final or find an umpire to cover the match.**

Volunteers would be most welcome to umpire the finals.

There will be an Umpires meeting at 8am & 12noon.

**All teams and officials are to go off the rounds not the times!**

### Score Cards and Scoring

Scorers must be provided by each team and stand together on the sideline or goal line.

**The score must be clearly shouted out by the scorers as each goal is scored.**

Make sure both scorers agree on the score. Any disagreements then please write on the card and sign it. Winning team's Captain needs to take the scorecards to the desk unless runners are provided.

### Start of Play

All teams must be on court and ready to play at the round stated. Captains should toss for centre pass before the start of each game and notify the umpires of the result.

Please check your team's nails are short and smooth. They will be checked!

### Late Arrivals

If a team arrives later than 1 minute on court when the hooter has sounded then the non-offending team will be awarded 5 goals. If the team arrives after the half-time hooter, then the points will be awarded to the non-offending team but the game can still be played.

### Timing

A central horn will sound 5 minutes before the start of the tournament. Teams playing the first round should go to the court immediately.

### **\*\*\*Duration of Matches\*\*\***

Matches will be two halves of 5min 30.

The game will not stop for subs at half time and therefore a team will need two sets of bibs to minimise disruption on court if positional switches.

There will be one minute between matches.

It will be central timing and a hooter will signify the start and end of each match.

However, all games will start and finish on the umpires whistle.

**PLEASE NOTE IT IS HIGHLY ADVISABLE TO GO OFF THE ROUNDS NOT OFF THE TIME.  
NO ALLOWANCES WILL BE GIVEN TO ANY TEAM ARRIVING LATE BECAUSE THE TIMING IS OUT!**

### Scoring

5 points for a win

3 points for a draw

1 point if the losing team score over 50% of the opponents score e.g:- 6 - 10 = 1pt

In the event of a tie on points, placing will be decided by applying the following criteria:-

- a) goal difference i.e. goals for minus goals against.
- b) then by goal average i.e. goals for divided by goals against.
- c) finally by the number of goals scored.
- d) If there is still a tie it will be by a coin toss with both captains.

The fixtures are created with a ladder system so all teams play the 3 teams above them and 3 teams below them. The 4 highest scoring teams from the **WHOLE** of the age group go through to the semi's. 1v 4 & 2v3 in semis.

### Extra Time (Semi & Finals)

In the event of a draw teams will continue to play until the next goal is scored, the team scoring the goal will be deemed the winner. Golden Goal.

### Inclement Weather

In the event of inclement weather the tournament will proceed. If the tournament has to be cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances then we will not be refunding money as the tournament will be rearranged.

### Presentation

Medals will be awarded to Winners and Runners Up of each age group. (12 per squad if required)

### Health & Safety

Spectators are not allowed on the courts. The courts are accessible to view all around from outside. They must stay on the grass verge or equivalent. Smoking or vaping is not permitted anywhere within the venue inside or out as it is a school premises and a junior sporting event. Dogs are not permitted as it is a school venue. If there is an emergency fire evacuation please assemble everyone on the netball courts.

### Conduct

It is unacceptable for spectators to intimidate an umpire or players in any way. A verbal warning will be issued to any person who the umpire feels is behaving in an unacceptable manner. If problems still occur the offending party will be asked to leave the courts for that round. If it persists, the offender will be banned from either the side of the court or spectating on the perimeter for the rest of the day. Refusal to leave will result in the game being stopped and 5 points being awarded to the non-offending team. Please do not approach the scoring desk, results sheets will be updated frequently throughout the day.

### Litter

Black litter bags will be around the area and one will be given to each team. PLEASE use them and keep the area tidy. **It is not acceptable to litter the school premises.**

### Refreshments & Stalls

There will be a BBQ selling bacon, sausage and burger sandwiches and fresh sandwiches. Hot & cold drinks are available to purchase. There will be cakes, sweets and ice lollies/ice creams on sale throughout the day. There will be fundraising stalls, such as chocolate tombola, raffles, sweet stall & cake stall.

Allergies: please note we cannot guarantee non cross contamination or that allergens are not present in our food (peanuts, dairy, gluten, etc).

We will be offering a limited supply of vegetarian and gluten free products, we cannot guarantee non cross contamination.

### T-Shirts

We are selling tournament t-shirts at £13 per shirt available on the day.

Pre ordered t-shirts will be packed ready for the club to collect and distribute to their players.

### Equipment

Each team must provide a size 5 netball CLEARLY NAMED (not a rubber moulded training ball) and a set of bibs, please bring a second colour in case of team colour clashes.

### First Aid

**Each team must provide their own first aider as stated on the entry form.  
RVNC will not be providing any first aid for clubs on the day.**

### Lost Property

Should be taken to the organiser's table and recovered from the box.

### Photography

Anyone wishing to take photographs, film etc. must register at the organisers table **PRIOR** to taking any photographs.

Any safeguarding issues for a player relating to photo consent is the responsibility of the club the player is a member of & notify where/when appropriate. We cannot be responsible for any sharing of images on social media.

**RVNC HAVE A PHOTOGRAPHER FOR THE DAY AND WE WILL SHARE THESE AFTER THE EVENT.**

### Liability

Ribble Valley Netball Club and the host school cannot accept liability whatsoever in respect of personal injury, which players, officials or spectators sustain through their own negligence. We do not accept responsibility for any loss of valuables, clothing or vehicles parked on the site.

### Gazebos & Tents

There is a large grassed area around the side of the courts for Gazebos & tents. However please make sure all pegs are removed as this is a school playing area. If the weather is wet or the grassed areas over saturated, then gazebos & tents will have to be set up on the paved/ concrete area in front of the school. Please avoid the amphitheatre area where the BBQ and presentations will take place.

You will need weights for your Gazebos etc. if on the hard floor. Please remove any gazebos on Saturday as we cannot guarantee they will be secure overnight.

They can, if needed, be left inside the reception area for the following day if required.

### Contact

Amy Preedy 07719 007074 or email [rvnctournament@gmail.com](mailto:rvnctournament@gmail.com) if you have any queries.

**Ribble Valley Netball Club would like to say in advance  
thank you for adhering to all the above  
and good luck - enjoy the day!**