

COMPETITION/ GRADING INFORMATION

KDNA Competition/Grading Information

The 2022 grading committee agreed to send out the structure for the 2023 winter in advance for all clubs to take into consideration in formation of their teams for 2023.

The committee agreed that we needed a process on how to define which age group a team with multiple ages goes into. It was agreed that if a team has 3 or more 'older' players in a team then they must move up to the next age group.

For example:

Sample Team has the following breakdown of players 6 players that are 13 in the calendar year 2 that are 14 1 that are 15

Based on our aged based process this team will be graded into 15's Division as they have met the criteria of a minimum of 3 older players.

If this same team had the following breakdown:

7 players that are 13 in the calendar year 2 that are 14

This team is then graded into the 13's Division accordingly.

There will be no exemptions for teams to play down an age group unless otherwise identified by the KDNA Grading Committee. An example of this could be a team with year 12 students turning 18 from July to December deemed by the grading committee to be not strong enough to move to the open divisions and therefore staying in 17's

In regards to exceptionally strong teams that have a large representation of higher-level players (e.g. Association players) it is at the discretion of the grading committee to place these teams into higher age groups to ensure a fair and balanced competition. For example, this can mean junior aged players playing in the open division if the competition in their relative age group is not deemed strong enough to deliver a fair

competition for all. Clubs must inform all players and parents/caregivers of this prior to submitting a team of this nature.

Review of Divisions

There may be a review of divisions after the first 5 rounds if deemed necessary.

After the fifth playing game clubs must submit any requests/concerns they have by Monday the 29th of May, 12pm.

Please ensure you communicate to your members, committee, coaches and managers that they are not to approach KDNA committee members or email KDNA with queries/issues with grading. These must be directed to their club president.

Finals

All Junior, Open & Masters divisions will play finals with trophies for the winning team and medals for the runners-up.

There will be NO time requests for Finals of any week, for any reason. All clubs know the dates of finals now and must advise their members that the 3 finals games may be played at ANY time! AS A GUIDE ONLY, the first week of finals is similar to normal games, less time slots in 2nd week of finals and the Grand Finals at 10am, 12pm, 2pm and 4pm. All teams of ALL ages must be available to play in any of these time slots.

As per previous years Set & Go do not play finals nor do we keep a published ladder.

Player Qualification & Eligibility

Players must play 5 games to qualify to play in Finals

All players coming in mid-season (½ season fee) must be approved by Competitions and Grading Committee and must be done only in the case of injury replacement/player loss not to "strengthen" teams for finals.

Offsets

- 1. Coach / Player
- 2. Player / Player (a player playing for association and club team)
- 3. Coach / Coach (A coach coaching a maximum of 2 teams, if a coach chooses to coach 2 or more teams only 1 offset may be submitted)

There are no offset requests for the following –

- 1. Timeslot requests (all GO teams must be available to play both morning timeslots, all junior teams must be available to play all timeslots, all senior must be available to play in all 3 afternoon timeslots)
- 2. GATE Program
- 3. Assistant Coaches
- 4. Co-Coaches (if co-coaches are appointed you may only select 1 for the offset request)

Offsets must be submitted to <u>competitions@kalamundanetball.com.au</u> by the required date each season.