

What are the membership changes in 2024?

- The new membership options are a 3 month and a 1 Day Registration.
- The non-playing membership is now free for all members.
- The 12 month and 6 month membership options remain the same as in 2023.

Why are there new Membership Options?

The new memberships have been designed to simply enable more people to play! The latest Australian Sports Commission research shows that Australians are changing the way they want to play sport. Sports are being encouraged to offer flexible / shorter options apart from the traditional, 20 week winter competition.

A 3 month membership option, gives Netball an opportunity to provide more competitions and compete with alternative providers.

A 1 day registration allows all competitions to find replacement players to fill in at the last minute and ensure they are covered by insurance. It also allows new participants to give netball a go in a team and competition, before committing to the full season.

How will membership work in PlayHQ in 2024?*

- A new participant membership starts from **the date** they register in PlayHQ.
- A current participants membership they choose in 2024, will add onto their existing membership.
- This is the same way the system currently operates in 2023.
- All Membership Options will be available all year round
- If players register with a 6 or 3 month membership fee early in the year, and then choose to register for an additional competition they will be required to purchase another 12/6/3 month individual membership.
- A member must register for every competition they are playing in to ensure their membership is current for the duration of that competition

*A reminder that PlayHQ works on a 12, 6 or 3 month membership duration – NOT ANNUAL. This remains unchanged since 1 Dec 2022 meaning members' registration cycles may start and finish at different times of the year.

6 Month and 3 Month Membership Options

These membership options are designed to be used for Associations that hold Term based or shorter length competitions (“Social Competitions” such as mixed/summer/spring/term by term)

The “Social Competition” membership is targeted for term by term (10 weeks) or shorter competitions. It is important to note that a 3 month fee for a 10 week competition will only be available as an option if registrations are taken in the two weeks leading up to that competition. (within the 12 week period)

An example of how you would set up registrations to make the most of a 3 month membership fee for an 8 week competition is below:

- Competition begins on 1 March and runs for 8 weeks
- Team entries can open as early as an Association decides
- Participant entry window when the 3 month fee will be an option 1 Feb – 1 March
- Competition ends 30 April

1 Day Membership Fee

This fee can be used for Club and Associations Competitions where a fill in players does NOT have a current Netball NSW Membership. It can also be used for Club and Association 1 day Carnivals or events where participants do not have a current Netball NSW Membership.

1 Day Membership fee can only be administered at an Association level. Any player using the 1 Day Fee will be covered by insurance for that day only.

SETUP – 1 day registrations will be taken through **Programs** in PlayHQ. Netball NSW will share the program “**1 Day Rego**” with Associations, this will already have the \$18 NNSW/NA fee inbuilt.

Associations can add their own fee on top if they wish.

Players will register to this program choosing the date of play they wish to register for.

Players can be added to the Team line up for that day manually as a ‘Fill in’ player via PlayHQ (or written on scoresheet).

Some tips to set up a “Social Competition”:

“Social or Term based competitions” can be set up in PlayHQ to enable teams to register to the competition as early as Associations like.

Individual Registrations can be accepted as soon as the window opens to ensure the registrations will not exceed 3 months or 12 weeks. For example:

If a competition is run for 10 weeks, individual registrations can be accepted up to two weeks before the competition begins

Encourage team captains or managers to share the PlayHQ link with their teams and encourage participants to register directly to their teams when the individual registrations open.

When a competition is launched, announce when team individual registrations can be accepted.

Individual registrations – ensure you have an option for someone to express an interest in playing if they do not already have a team. You could create a thread on your Facebook page, have a google form link on your website or simply ask interested players to email the Association. Make sure you respond to these enquiries, even if you can't find them a team.

Netball NSW recommended process is that "Social Competitions" should always be run by Associations and teams and individuals register directly to the competition and not Clubs. This alleviates more work on volunteers, can reduce the cost for the participant and remove barriers to play such as compulsory uniforms.

Playing at a different Association/Club

Players who hold a current NNSW membership through registering with an Association or Club competition, and then choose to register for a second competition at a different Association or Club may not be liable to pay another Netball NSW membership Fee.

When registering for the second competition, the system will recognise if their current membership lasts until the end date of that second competition and will be not charged (if end date falls before end date of current membership) or will be given a 12/6/3 month membership option in the final payment process.

Woolworths NetSetGO

There is NOT a 6 month or 3 month "Social Competition" option for the Individual Membership fees that are payable for participation in Woolworths NetSetGO. (Modified Competition or Skills Program)

When a participant turning 9 years or under wishes to register for a Junior "Social Competition" that is NOT a Woolworths NetSetGO modified competition, Clubs and Associations may apply to Netball NSW on participants behalf for a voucher to discount the full fee to align with either the 6 month or 3 month fee without charge. The voucher must be applied at time of registration.

All Abilities

Clubs and Associations can apply for Netball NSW vouchers to assist All Abilities members to register in PlayHQ.

Note: Associations may apply for *any number* of these vouchers to have on hand when assisting All Abilities members.

Associations will only be invoiced for vouchers that are redeemed.

Recommended Process: Apply to NNSW for a voucher for the FULL Club or Association player fee, so the fee reduces to \$0 once voucher is applied, then collect the NNSW All Abilities fee of \$43 plus any Association and Club fee **offline**.