

Policy Updates

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Netball Australia has made several amendments to the existing integrity policies. While the substance of these policies remains the same, a few industry relevant updates have been made to ensure the safeguarding of all participants in our sport and to support all organisations to practically implement the practices and procedures within the policies.

The following policies have been updated (the policy is marked by a * on the policies page of our website for ease of reference), and an overview of the changes is set out below:

- Netball Integrity Framework, Conduct and Disciplinary Policy;
- Safeguarding Children and Young People Policy;
- Member Protection Policy;
- Competition Manipulation and Sports Wagering Policy for Community Netball;
- Sports Medicine Policy for Community Netball; and
- The Guidelines for Management of Sports Related Concussion in Community Netball.

All Policies in General

- Updates to definitions.

Netball Integrity Framework, Conduct and Disciplinary Policy

- A dedicated Report Form (separate to the Complaint Form) and definition for Report, Reporter and Report Form;
- Additional details on the application of Procedural Fairness;
- Clarification of a Support Person's role and limitations;
- Considerations for Sanctioning and Provisional Action in respect to proportionality of sanctions, as well as references to the Sport Integrity Australia – Case Categorisation and Guidance for Sanctions booklet; and
- A Notice of Provisional Action letter template.

Member Protection Policy

- The inclusion of Pregnancy, potential Pregnancy and Breastfeeding as a Protected Characteristic.

Concussion Policy

- Clarifications, including that HIA forms must be completed for all head impacts, not just those that result in a concussion.