



WORCESTER CITY NETBALL LEAGUE 2026/27 CONSTITUTION

Worcester City Netball League is a female, over 14s netball league.

The purpose and aims of the Worcester City Netball League is to further advance and promote the game of netball.

The Committee will consist of Officers who shall have the power to co-opt a further six (6) members onto the Committee.

The Committee will be headed by:

President
Vice President

The Officers of the Committee will be:

Chairperson
Vice Chairperson
General Secretary
Fixtures Secretary
Umpire Secretary
Tournament Secretary
Membership Secretary
AGM Secretary
Treasurer
Communications Officer
Safeguarding/Welfare Officer

1. The President and Vice President will remain in office until such time that they wish to stand down. Nominations for these posts will be made by the Committee.
2. All outgoing officers will remain in office until the allocation of a new Committee.
3. All members of the Committee may re-stand for election or by proposal of nomination for office no later than 14 days prior to the Annual General Meeting.
4. The Chair and Vice-Chair must be existing Committee members. Nominations for these posts will be made by the Committee.
5. Committee members must not exceed a maximum of 3 (three) members from the same team.
6. In the event of two or more persons seeking office a vote will be taken by a show of hands for the nominees who will leave the room.



7. If any office becomes vacant during the season the Committee will have the power to fill that vacancy until the AGM.
8. Committee meetings will be held on stated dates agreed at the first Committee meeting in the elected year and all Committee Officers who do not attend at least 75% of scheduled meetings in the elected year may not be eligible to stand for re-election the following year.
9. The quorum should be not less than one third of the total Committee.
10. The Annual General Meeting will be held on the first Monday in September each and every year.
11. Notification of the AGM to be at least 28 days prior to the meeting.
12. Suggestions for amendments to the League Rules and Policies may be submitted in writing to the Committee at any time throughout the year. Policies may be introduced, amended or withdrawn by the Committee throughout the year where appropriate. League Rules will be reviewed and amended annually as part of the AGM process. Proposed Rule changes will be circulated to affiliated teams, who will be given 28 days to submit comments, objections or suggested amendments for consideration by the Committee. Following consultation, the Committee will consider all feedback received and vote upon each proposed Rule change. Where a majority decision (51%) is reached by the Committee, that decision will determine whether the proposed Rule change is adopted or rejected. Where the Committee is unable to reach a majority decision, the proposed Rule change will be referred to affiliated teams for a vote at the AGM.
13. League Rule amendments approved through the annual Rule review process will take effect from the AGM unless an alternative implementation date is specified. Amendments to the Constitution approved at the AGM will take effect immediately unless otherwise agreed.
14. Where a League Rule change is referred to the AGM because the Committee has been unable to reach a majority decision, each affiliated team will have one vote. Committee members will not receive an additional vote in their capacity as Committee members on such a Rule change, having already exercised their vote during the Committee decision-making process. Where a Committee member is also the authorised representative of an affiliated team, they may exercise that team's vote on behalf of the team. A simple majority of team votes cast will determine the outcome. In the event of an equal vote, the proposed Rule change will not be carried and the existing Rule will remain in place. For amendments to the Constitution and any other matters requiring a vote at the AGM, each affiliated team will have one vote, unless otherwise expressly provided within this Constitution.
15. An Extraordinary General Meeting may be considered and called by the General Secretary if so warranted by the Affiliated Member. All affiliated members may request through the General Secretary such a meeting.
16. Committee members do not vote at any meetings on issues relating specifically to their team on which they have a pecuniary interest.
17. Any complaint must be put in writing to the General Secretary within 14 days of the incident; this will then be brought to the next Committee meeting. Complaint procedures can be found on the website www.wcnl.co.uk
18. All fixtures should be drawn up and approved by the Committee.



19. The League Tournaments may be held throughout the year at the discretion of the Committee.
20. The Committee may set up sub-committees if so required.
21. The Committee will review annually the WCNL subscription fees for entry to the winter and Summer Leagues.
22. Two nominated members of the WCNL Committee will make up the disciplinary committee with three other representatives as appropriate (see Complaints Policy).
23. Code of Conduct – WCNL Committee expects that all affiliated members and spectators shall uphold the aims, objectives, ethos and rules/policies of WCNL at all times. There shall be a general duty upon all members to be aware of their own conduct and its effect upon others.
24. The committee will retain documentation regarding the league for a maximum of 7 (seven) years. Previous documentation will be disposed of in line with current legislation.

Definitions

Committee – the elected members of Worcester City Netball League Committee.

Female – assigned female at birth.