Deeside Netball Club

### Code of Conduct

1. **INFORMATION**

Please ensure at the beginning, and during the season – if changes to your name, address, telephone number etc. take place, that you notify the Club Secretary

1. **TELEPHONE NUMBERS**

Please ensure that you have an up-to-date list of the Coach and the Committee’s telephone numbers at the beginning of each season. It is your responsibility to notify the Coach/Secretary/Team Manager for non-attendance at training, matches, tournaments etc. Tree phones are great ideas for squads get your team manager/captain to create one!

1. **FEES**

All Club membership/affiliation fees must be paid to the Treasurer. Match fees must be paid before the match to the Team Manager/Captain/Treasurer who will then pay your match fees to the appropriate body – not applicable to North-East Wales Netball League; this is paid for in your club fees. Any additional remaining monies must be paid to the Club Treasurer as the committee has a duty to keep records of accounts and be accountable.

1. **FIXTURE LISTS**

If you are a member of a team and you have not been given a fixture list please obtain one as soon as possible from the Club Secretary. Most fixtures will be displayed on the Netball Notice Board. Do not rely on others; it is your responsibility to know when you are playing.

1. **DISCIPLINE**

It is important for players to adopt personal discipline on and off the court, in training and in matches. It does nothing for you or the Club’s image to show dissent towards Umpires or the opposition whether they are right or wrong. Your attitude should be to ‘get on with the game’, regain concentration and show others what skill and discipline are all about.

1. **CRITICISM & SOCIAL MEDIA**

It is detrimental to you, your team, and the Club as a whole, when players criticise one another. This is a team game and everyone makes mistakes. Support of each other is what makes a good team – a very good team! Use appropriate language at all times, during training, match play and post match. To include commentary on social media, to ensure club and team spirit is represented in a positive manner.

1. **TEAMS**

Team will be organised as far as possible on a Club training night by the Club Coach/Team Captain & will be managed by a team Manager or Team Captain.

1. **TRAINING**

One of the unwritten Club Rules is that if you do not attend training without a good reason and without notification then you will be ineligible to play in the forthcoming match. However, when a key position is required i.e. a shooter – and teams cannot play without one, and then it may be necessary to adapt this rule for the benefit of the team. This situation should not arise as players improve their ability to play a number of positions. Players who attend on a regular basis will be chosen above those who attend occasionally. This situation will be controlled at the discretion of the Club Coach.

1. **RESERVES**

It is beneficial to all teams for all the team squad members to attend matches, whether they play of not. This is an important part of the team game, and players can learn as much about the game when they are standing off the court as on the court playing.

1. **PRACTICE BALL & LITTER**

Please ensure that all practice balls are returned to the netball bag to prevent injuries and to be tidy. Do not eat during training sessions and do not bring fizzy drinks. Always bring a bottle of water. Do not expect someone else to dispose of your litter – be considerate.

 11.**COACHES & OFFICIALS**

Adhere to the positive aspects of the sport and show respect for players, match officials, volunteers, and opposing players. Accept responsibility for their own behaviour and performance during coaching sessions ensuring they demonstrate professionalism as a coach & official. Ensure all Health & safety procedures are adhered to during coaching sessions. Accept success and failure, victory and defeat graciously. Be proactive in their continuing professional development. Consider the well-being and safety of all participants before development of performance. Promote development of players with additional ability.

1. **PARENTS**

Encourage your child to learn the rules and play within them. Discourage unfair play and arguing with officials. Help your child to recognise good performance and not just results. Set a good example by applauding good performance and fair play for your own team, as well as the opposition. Always use positive language – never belittle a child for losing or making a mistake. Accept officials judgements. Positively support your child’s coaches and team manager – make sure you are not on the side-lines where the umpires and team managers are required to be