

# **Hong Kong Netball Association**

# MEN'S LEAGUE HANDBOOK 2022/2023



Subvented by Leisure and Cultural Services Department Hong Kong Netball Association Season 2022 / 2023

#### **Teams**

- 1. Unknown
- 2. OMG
- 3. Hantaq
- 4. Alectrona
- 5. HKU
- 6. 9JAI

## Men's League Dates 22/23

- November 28th
- December 5th, 12th
- January 9th, 16th, 30th
- February 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th
- March 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th
- April 3rd
- FINAL-TBC



# Hong Kong Holidays 22/23

- Winter Holidays 14 December 2022 3 January 2023
- Chinese New Year 22 25 January 2023
- Ching Ming Festival 5 April 2023
- Easter Holidays 7 10 April 2023



# **League Handbook**

Welcome to the Hong Kong Netball Association (HKNA) Men's League Season 2022/2023. The Executive Council wishes all players, umpires, coaches and supporters an enjoyable and rewarding season.

This year we will be using the Aberdeen Outdoor Courts (Wong Chuk Hang Road Recreation Ground) venue.

## This Handbook contains:

- Contact information for teams, convenors and the HKNA Executive Council;
- Information about umpiring requirements, captain's responsibilities and desk duty;
- The address and map for the venue.

Please familiarise yourself with the information in this Handbook and the HK Netball League By-Laws.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the League Convenor – Boris J. T. Lai (hkna.mensleague@gmail.com) with a copy to HKNA (hkna@hkolympic.org).

On a League night, you can also contact any HKNA Representative at your venue.

Happy netballing!

**HKNA Executive Council** 

# **Hong Kong Netball Association HKNA Executive Council Members**

**Position** Club Name

## **Executive Council**

**Krystle Edwards** President **HKCC** 

Connie Wong Vice President 1 (Elite and Coaching) Life Member

Lisa Martin Vice President 2 (League)

Sonics Christina Yue Secretary (Grassroots Programme) HKCC Cheng Lai Fun Treasurer Hantang

## **Other Council Members**

Ursula Holloway League Convener Independent **Hollie Collins** Mixed League Convenor Kowloon **Marie Farry** Grassroots Programme **HKFC** Rachel Bryant Valley RFC Special Events - Social Pritty Pampapathi Special Events - Social Valley RFC Shirley Yuen Junior League Convenor **HKFC** 

Melanie Potgieter **Umpiring** 

Life Member Boris Lai Men's Netball Representative Hantana Sophie Li Media and Marketing Hantang

Catherine Barter **TBC HKS** 

## **Paid Employees**

CEO Eva Lam Nicholas Carter COO

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# **HKNA Umpiring Contacts:**

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# HKNA League Teams & Captains 2022 – 2023

## **League Teams**

Team	Captain
Unknown	YIP WAI KIN
OMG	WONG HO LUN RAY
Hantang	LAI BORIS J. T.
Alectrona	WONG REGAN HONG YIN
HKU	CHAN HO KWAN
9JAI	CHIU CHUN IP

## **CAPTAIN'S DUTIES**

## The captain should amongst other things:

- Read HKNA Men's League Handbook and By-Laws and be familiar with the rules of World Netball.
- Ensure the team is ready to play before commencement of games.
- Ensure players do not go on court wearing jewellery or watches.
- Ensure all fingernails are cut short and smooth and NOT TAPED.
- Ensure the score sheet is completed in accordance with the Handbook and By-Laws.
- Ensure the team has provided a scorer and umpire for the appropriate game and that they know how to record the score and centre passes.
- Ensure all team players are wearing the correct uniform, subject to special arrangements for the 2022-23 season. (see later section on uniforms)
- Encourage the team to warm up before a game to avoid injury.
- Ensure that all players and supporters respect both umpires and opponents.
- Sign the score sheet and return to Desk Duty Supervisor if you are the winning team.
- Check dates and times of all fixtures and inform all team members.
- Report any mistakes or issues with the fixture to HKNA.
- If forfeiting a game, ensure that it is done in accordance with the By-Laws.
- Comply with the By-Laws in relation to new players and guest players.
- Ensure that the Handbook is passed on to the next captain if you cease in this role during the season.

## The Score Sheet: please note

- As the scoresheets are prepared at the beginning of the season, any late registered players should write their names down on the scoresheet should they not be printed.
- Names should be printed legibly on the score sheet. Please sign alongside your name.
- Indicate guest players with their team & division they are guesting from.
- Captains must sign the score sheet at the end of the game.
- It is suggested that Captains should take photo of their scoresheet for their own records and in case of discrepancies / loss of the original scoresheets.



## **LEAGUE NIGHT DUTIES AND RULES**

## MEN'S LEAGUE NIGHTS TEAMS' RESPONSIBILITIES

#### **ALL VENUES**

Teams are responsible for ensuring that all courts and surrounds are left clean and tidy. Please take all rubbish and put it in the bins provided at the venue.

## **WONG CHUK HANG ROAD**

The first two teams playing on each court are responsible for moving one post each to the court. Teams playing the last game on each court must return one post each back to the Posts Storage. Posts need to be lowered to the appropriate height before returning them.

#### **CODE OF CONDUCT**

Coaches, players and supporters are reminded that they should conduct themselves consistently with the spirit of the game, whether they are playing, form part of the team bench or spectating. Any action displayed which is contrary to the spirit of the game is not permitted, and is sanctioned by HKNA and World Netball rules and penalties.

Inappropriate behaviour and comments may result in a warning, penalty, suspension or ordering off by an umpire. Such behaviour includes but is not limited to, calling to an umpire, disputing decisions, commenting on team or individual actions. The official World Netball Rule 13 provides further information on disciplinary action for unsporting behaviour.

HKNA members should comply with the World Netball Anti Doping Rules in accordance with the World Anti Doping Code and international standards (a copy can be provided to all clubs upon request).

## **UNIFORM**

- a. New teams must submit their proposed uniform and colours on Form B to the HKNA Committee for approval at team registration.
- b. All players in a team must be in the same registered uniform, e.g., singlet and shorts.
- c. Subject to the exceptions below, players may not wear extra items that are not part of the basic playing uniform, e.g., gloves, tracksuit pants. Umpires will ask players to remove any extra items before taking the court.
- d. Players may wear (1) extra clothing items upon presentation of a medical certificate as long as such items do not present an injury risk to other players; and (2) long tight-fitting athletic garments under their uniform when playing outside in cold conditions or if required for religious purposes. Bikepants and long tight-fitting athletic garments should either be entirely black or entirely the predominant colour of the uniform.
- e. Subject to the By-Laws, players not in the same registered team uniform will not be able to take the court. Where a team has an alternate uniform registered, all players must wear the same predominant-coloured registered uniform to take the court.
- f. A team has until the fourth round of the competition to ensure all players have the correct uniform. The League Convenor may grant an extension of time to clubs/teams upon receipt of a request in advance of the fourth round stating clearly the reason for the extension and a date by which teams will be in correct uniform.
- g. The penalty for the team not playing in the correct uniform after the third round is a 1-point loss per match.

#### JEWELLERY AND FINGERNAILS

- Games will not be delayed for the cutting of nails or removal of jewellery.
- No items of jewellery, except a wedding band or medical alert bracelet shall be worn. If these are worn then they must be taped.
- Fingernails shall be short and smooth. Gloves may not be worn and the taping
  of nails is not permitted. An offending player will not take up a position on court
  until an umpire has checked the fingernails again and permitted the player to
  go on court. If the game has already started the player must wait until an interval.
- Players not abiding by these rules will not be allowed to play.

#### **TIMING OF GAMES**

All games will be timed by a central clock and will start strictly at 7:00pm, 8.00pm or 9:00pm, as the case may be. Games will start and finish on the umpires' whistles and consist of

- 4 x 12-minute quarters
- 2-minute quarter and three-quarter time breaks
- 4-minute half-time break
- 4 minutes between the start of games

Umpires may stop the game for injury time in accordance with the World Netball Rule Book. Injury time will not be added to the game.

#### **SCORERS AND SCORE SHEET**

All games must be scored in accordance with the By-Laws. (see By-Law 12)

## **LEAGUE UMPIRING REQUIREMENTS**

Where possible, umpiring duties have been made reciprocal within divisions, however there are some draw constraints and on occasion ower divisions are required to umpire higher divisions – umpiring requirements still need to be adhered to. Any problems please contact the Umpire's Convenor at least 2 weeks in advance of the set game.

No person under the age of 14 years may umpire. All umpires under 18 years must be supervised by a responsible adult from their playing team/ club. HKNA accepts no responsibility for these players.

#### **UMPIRE PAYMENT GUIDELINES**

If a team wishes to pay an umpire to umpire on their behalf, the HKNA recommends \$300 per game.

## **ISSUES/ PROBLEMS ON LEAGUE NIGHTS**

Issues should be raised immediately with the HKNA representative at the venue. If there is no HKNA representative available on site, the League Convenors – Ursula Holloway (6349 6854) can be contacted throughout the evening.

# **VENUE ADDRESSES**

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# **WONG CHUK HANG RECREATIONAL GROUND**

