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Welcome to Lancashire Netball Clubs! We're all about having fun, staying active, and enjoying netball in a friendly, supportive atmosphere. To ensure everyone has a great experience, we've outlined some key terms and conditions below. By participating in our games, you agree to adhere to these terms. Let's keep it light-hearted and safe!

Player Participation and Responsibility

- **Voluntary Participation:** All players participate in netball activities at Lancashire Netball Clubs voluntarily and at their own risk. While we aim to provide a safe environment, players acknowledge the inherent risks associated with any sporting activity.
- **Fitness and Health:** Players are responsible for ensuring they are in good health and physically fit to participate in netball games. If you have any medical conditions or injuries that may affect your ability to play, please seek medical advice and inform us prior to playing.
- **Insurance:** We recommend that players carry personal health or accident insurance. Lancashire Netball Clubs is not liable for any injuries, accidents, or health-related issues that may occur during participation.
- **Appropriate Clothing & Footwear:** Players agree to wear netball appropriate clothing & footwear with adequate grip and support to reduce the risk of injury. Lancashire Netball Clubs is not responsible for injuries resulting from wearing unsuitable clothing/footwear.
- **Age and Gender Requirements:** Teams must ensure that all players are over the age of 18 and female. Any violation of this rule may result in the team being removed from the league.
- **Alcohol or Substance Use:** Players must not participate in any session while under the influence of alcohol or drugs. Lancashire Netball Clubs reserves the right to remove any player suspected of being under the influence, with no refund provided.

Team and Game Expectations

- **Team Player Numbers:** Teams are expected to field a minimum of 7 players each week. It is the responsibility of the team to ensure they meet this requirement for every game. If a team does not field a minimum of 5 players for their game, they will be liable to refund their oppositions match fee (£35).

- **Late Payment Policy:** Teams are required to make payments no later than 48 hours before the payment deadline. If a team fails to make payments on time three times, they will be automatically removed from the league.
- **Withdrawal from the League:** If a team chooses to withdraw from the league, or is unable to participate in a scheduled game, they must notify Lancashire Netball Clubs in writing at least six days in advance of their next game. Failure to provide this notice will result in the usual £35 fee being payable, regardless of whether the team chooses to play.
- **Removal from League or Club Activities:** Lancashire Netball Clubs reserves the right to remove a player or team from the league or club activities at any time, for any reason, without prior notice.
- **Substitutes:** Players may arrange substitutes for games they cannot attend. Substitutes must meet all player requirements and agree to these Terms and Conditions.

Conduct and Behaviour

- **Sportsmanship:** Our games are social, non-competitive, and inclusive. Players are expected to conduct themselves in a friendly and respectful manner towards others, including opponents, teammates, and umpires.
- **Respect for Umpires and Staff:** Umpires and staff members are here to ensure everyone has a good time. Players agree to respect the decisions made by umpires and follow the guidelines provided by staff.
- **No Disparaging Comments:** Players agree not to make any negative, harmful, or disparaging comments about Lancashire Netball Clubs, its staff, or other players at any time, both during and outside of club activities.
- **Complaints Process:** If a player wishes to make a complaint about a team, umpire, venue, or player etc they must request and complete a formal complaint form from Lancashire Netball Clubs, this form can be found on our website or requested via our inbox. Complaints cannot be accepted through umpires or via Facebook Messenger or other informal channels.
- **Anti-Discrimination Policy:** Lancashire Netball Clubs has a zero-tolerance policy for any form of discrimination, harassment, or abusive behaviour, on or off the court. Any player found engaging in such behaviour may be removed from the league without a refund and prohibited from future participation.

Liability and Waiver of Claims

- **General Liability:** Lancashire Netball Clubs accepts no responsibility for any injury, loss, or damage that occurs during netball activities, including

personal injury, property damage, or theft. By participating, players agree to waive any claims against Lancashire Netball Clubs for incidents occurring during or as a result of participation.

- **Equipment and Facilities:** While we aim to provide quality equipment and safe facilities, players are responsible for using all equipment provided at their own risk. Players are also encouraged to report any unsafe conditions to staff immediately.
- **Accidents and Injuries:** In the event of an accident or injury, players agree that Lancashire Netball Clubs is not responsible for providing medical assistance or compensation. We will assist in calling for emergency services, but the primary responsibility for injury management lies with the player.
- **Child Safety:** Parents or guardians who bring children to sessions are solely responsible for supervising them. Lancashire Netball Clubs is not responsible for the safety or supervision of children at any time. Should a child enter the court at any time, and sustain an injury in doing so, Lancashire Netball Clubs accepts no liability.
- **Weather Conditions and Outdoor Play:** Lancashire Netball Clubs is not liable for injuries resulting from weather-related conditions during outdoor games, such as slippery courts or uneven surfaces. Players participate at their own discretion.
- **Damage to Property or Equipment:** Players are responsible for the proper use of all equipment and facilities provided by Lancashire Netball Clubs. Any willful or negligent damage caused may result in the player being held liable for repair or replacement costs.

Cancellations

- **Cancellations:** Netball may be called off due to extreme weather conditions. Other situations may arise (that are out of Lancashire Netball Clubs control) and this may lead to games being cancelled. Where ever possible Lancashire Netball Clubs will re-schedule games, but in some instances this may not be possible. All teams are obliged to play the rescheduled matches. Games will only be officially cancelled by Lancashire Netball Clubs via the main Facebook group. No other party, including umpires, players or external officials has the authority to cancel games unless they have received prior instruction in writing from Lancashire Netball Clubs to do so.

Media and Photography

- **Consent for Photography:** From time to time, we may take photos or videos during games to share the fun on our social media platforms or for promotional purposes. By participating, players consent to their image being used in these materials. If you'd prefer not to be photographed, please let us know in advance.
- **Use of Media:** Players agree not to use any photographs or media taken during games for commercial purposes without prior consent from Lancashire Netball Clubs.

Data Protection and Privacy

- **Personal Information:** We respect your privacy and are committed to protecting your personal information. Any data collected is used solely for communication and operational purposes related to the club and will not be shared with third parties.
- **Communication:** By signing up to play, players consent to receive contact and other communications from Lancashire Netball Clubs regarding game schedules, updates, and other relevant information.

Acceptance of Terms

- **Agreement to Terms:** By participating in any activities organised by Lancashire Netball Clubs, players acknowledge that they have read, understood, and agree to abide by these Terms and Conditions.
- **Updates to Terms:** Lancashire Netball Clubs reserves the right to update or modify these Terms and Conditions at any time.

We want everyone to enjoy their time at Lancashire Netball Clubs, so please play fair, be kind, and most importantly—have fun!

If you have any questions or concerns about these Terms and Conditions, please don't hesitate to get in touch with us at isabella@lancashirenetballclubs.com