



CAMEO TIGERS NETBALL CLUB GRADING POLICY

Cameo Tigers Netball Club grading policy is to ensure that the grading of players and teams is conducted fairly, based on a player's ability, skill level and attitude. Grading will be carried out to establish the number of Cameo Tigers Netball Club junior teams to compete in the Frankston Netball Association (FDNA) competition. Grading is influenced by the number and ages of players registered with Cameo Tigers with the aim of achieving teams that have a balanced group of players both in ability levels and playing positions.

All players (NEW Included) must be graded in a one off practical grading session at the start of the season.

All players wanting to try out for A & B graded teams must try out over 2 practical grading sessions set by CTNC at the start of the season.

Players will be graded into their own age group.

A player may be selected for an older age team if considered necessary due to numbers by the grading committee and after discussion with the player and player's parent/guardian.

Club Coaches/Grading Committee can request, on their recent observations, a player to try out for A & B graded teams.

The decision to try out for A & B graded teams **or** not is ultimately the decision of the player.

Requests to be graded into a specific team/age group will be considered.

CTNC will take into account friendship groups & past team members.

The CTNC are aware that ability changes rapidly from year to year and children develop skills at different rates.

GRADING COMMITTEE:

The Grading Committee will consist of a minimum of two (2) appropriate graders selected from within Cameo Tigers Netball Club. A minimum of one (1) External grader will be included at the time of grading sessions to complete the Grading Committee.

GRADING CRITERIA:

When assessing the overall skill of a player, the Grading Committee will take into account:

- Ball Handling
- Footwork
- Positional Skills
- Sportsmanship
- Attitude

GRADING:

A positive approach to grading helps with a smooth transition to the following year. The grading committee will commence grading by:

- Watching Saturday matches during the previous season
- Watching training sessions during the previous season
- Receiving feedback from current coaches
- And the grading day itself

It is important to see the players in a variety of settings, as we understand grading can be a little unnerving for some. Please be assured the Grading Committee will take this into account and make an effort to see each team member in different scenarios.

PLAYERS RESPONSIBILITY:

A player must be registered prior to grading to be considered for placement in a team.

A player must make every effort to attend practical grading.

The player's parent/guardian must notify the Registrar prior to grading if they are not able to attend.

Placement into a team for a player not at practical grading will be based upon the three other methods the Grading Committee conducts. See "Grading"

Players selected for A & B graded teams ONLY must sign the CTNC players conduct of conduct form agreeing to the training & playing stipulations, which will include the following extras

1. Training will commence for 90 mins, (Subject to coaches availability, but highly recommended) once a week. (Day of week to be determined by the coach)
2. Absent from training without a medical reason prior may result in no court time on game day.
3. Not advising the coach prior to training within a reasonable time frame of being absent from training may result in no court time on game day.
4. Inappropriate attitude at training &/ game day may result in no court time on game day or future game days.
5. Game time will be determined by the teams coach

LATE REGISTRATIONS:

Any new player to Cameo Tigers Netball Club who is registering late must be seen by graders prior to inclusion in a team.

If a position becomes vacant in a team that has been graded the next player, as noted by the graders, will be elevated to that team. This is provided that the player is capable of playing the vacant position and her elevation does not disrupt or weaken her current team. Where this is not possible consideration will be given to placing a player who has not attended grading but only in extreme circumstances and only after being seen by the graders.

Any late registration must be passed by the grading committee.

GENERAL:

Cameo Tigers Netball Club endeavours to ensure team grading is conducted fairly with balanced teams selected.

Players and parents are asked to be reasonable and objective in their expectations and to encourage their children to accept their team selection.

Ideally eight (8) will be selected per team however; due to numbers registered some teams may have nine (9) players.

Players trying out for A & B teams will be notified by a grading committee & team coach. All other players will be contacted by their team coach.

GRADING APPEALS:

Whilst it is hoped that players and parents appreciate the difficulty of grading and accept the decision of the committee an appeal may be made.

Any appeal must be emailed within seven (7) days of the player being notified.

All appeals are to be emailed to:

"The Grading Committee"

cameotigersnc@hotmail.com

All correspondence will be discussed by the grading committee and the decision reached will be final.

No grading issues will be discussed over the phone or in person.

Grading committee members are not to be approached or contacted in relation to grading matters.