

IGSA Sport Netball Trials 2025 - Risk Assessment Hazard Checklist

Event Name	Netball Trials – 15&U / 19&U	Assessment Date	20/12/2024
Assessed By	Kate Howitt	Approved By	
Locations	Pymble Ladies' College	Event Date	5/5/2025

1 INDOOR HAZARDS		
1.1	Inappropriate lighting	Y
1.2	Temperature	
1.3	Insufficient or unsuitable space	
1.4	Untidiness – causing trip / fire hazard	
1.5	Stairs – dark / steep / no handrail	
1.6	Lack of fire escapes / extinguishers / procedures	
1.7	Slip / trip / fall hazards	Y
1.8	Inadequate ventilation	
1.9	Inhalation of dust	
1.10	Poor surfaces for activities – slips / trips / impact	Y
1.11	Electrical hazards	
2 SPORTING ACTIVITY HAZARDS		
2.1	Uneven playing surface	Y
2.2	Playing surface too hard or soft	
2.3	Hard or sharp objects on pitch	
2.4	Sliding on Astroturf or similar surface	
2.5	Collisions / Conflict with surrounding objects or people	Y
2.6	Impact from sports equipment – balls/posts	Y
2.7	Contact sport injury	Y
2.8	Personal injury – fracture / sprains / cuts	Y
3 HAZARDS ON COASTS & COASTAL WATERS		
3.1	Falls from cliffs, piers, sea walls	
3.2	Struck by falling objects from cliff	
3.3	Slips & falls on slopes / loose surfaces	
3.4	Quick sand & mud	
3.5	Access problems due to steep angle of beach slope	
3.6	Collisions between water users	
3.7	Swept away by wave surges	
3.8	Being washed against rocks / piers	
3.9	Low water temperatures	
3.10	Communication problems from waves / swell / distance	
3.11	Struck by objects in water	
3.12	Stranded by tides	
3.13	Swept away by currents	
3.14	Rip tides	
3.15	Longshore drift	
3.16	Conflicts between beach users	

5 HAZARDS ON HILLS AND MOUNTAINS		
5.1	Slips & trips on grass, mud, rock	
5.2	River crossings	
5.3	Remote locations	
5.4	Difficult communication – weather / distance	
5.5	Falling debris	
5.6	Extra work imposed by terrain type / angle	
5.7	Lack of shelter	
5.8	Separation of group members	
5.9	Getting lost	
5.10	Falls from height	
5.11	Extremes of weather	Y
6 PEOPLE & ORGANISATIONAL HAZARDS		
6.1	Lack of information, training or instruction	Y
6.2	Poor activity planning or preparation	Y
6.3	Poor activity delivery or organisation	Y
6.4	Ignorance of rules and / or procedures	Y
6.5	Unsafe behaviour or attitude	Y
6.6	Lack of appropriate first aid equipment and experience	Y
6.7	Medical conditions of participants	Y
6.8	Poor safety control from group leaders	Y
6.9	Poor safety awareness from participants	Y
6.10	Lack of cooperation within group	Y
6.11	Differing skill levels within group	Y
6.12	Low level of physical fitness / strength	Y
6.13	Aggression between participants	Y
6.14	Aggression from crowd / public	Y
6.15	Contact between participants increasing risk	
7 EQUIPMENT AND OTHER HAZARDS		
7.1	Crash handling	
7.2	Transport to and from your activity	Y
7.3	Food poisoning	
7.4	Hazardous substances	
7.5	Equipment with moving / hot parts	
7.6	Heavy equipment	
7.7	Electrical hazards from equipment	
7.8	Noise from equipment	
7.9	Risk of trapping body / clothing in equipment	
7.10	Inadequate environment for equipment operation	
7.11	Inadequate protective equipment	
7.12	Equipment in unsuitable condition	Y

4	HAZARDS ON STILL / MOVING WATER	
4.1	Getting swept away from equipment or people	
4.2	Collision with rocks in and to sides of rivers	
4.3	Striking / trapping by submerged obstacles	
4.4	Being dragged down by undertow	
4.5	Restricted or impossible access to / from water	
4.6	Access problems – rescue / getting kit into water	
4.7	Falls from drops in level at weirs / waterfalls	
4.8	Getting out of depth	
4.9	Low water temperature	
4.10	Separation from other people	
4.11	Slips / trips on steep banks or uneven surfaces	
4.12	Difficult communications	
4.13	Remote locations	

8	OTHER HAZARDS SPECIFIC TO YOUR ACTIVITY	
8.1	Sunsense & Dehydration	Y
8.2	Unattended students	Y
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Risk Assessment – IGSA Netball Trials 2025

Event Name	IGSA Sport Netball Trials	Number of persons involved	50+
Nature of Activity	Netball skills & games	Frequency of Activity	Annually
Assessed By	Kate Howitt	Event Date	5/5/2025

Hazard Ref.	Potential Effect	Existing Controls in Place	HAZPAK	Further Controls Required?	Who By
1.1	Inappropriate Lighting	If lighting is not good, speak with the venue to get more turned on or at a brighter level.	5		IGSA Sport and PYM staff
1.7	Trip during practice or games due to nature of sport	All balls must be removed from the court when play commences.	5		IGSA Sport staff
1.10 2.1	Fall or slip caused by surfaces not swept, Uneven playing surfaces occur at some venues due to surface of court	All surfaces must be swept / cleaned of debris before the start of the game. Staff are to monitor courts to ensure that they do not become unsafe or slippery.	5		IGSA Sport staff, PYM staff
2.5	Collisions/conflict with equipment	Request Pymble to adequately & appropriately pad equipment such as netball posts. Ensure there is adequate clear space around playing area. Remove all other equipment.	2		IGSA Sport staff, PYM staff
2.6 2.7 2.8	Impact from sports equipment - ball / post, contact sports injury, personal injury	Players are required to conduct themselves in accordance with the rules of the game and IGSA Sport Code of Conduct. If serious injury does occur then an ambulance must be called immediately by the venue convener, staff or parents.	4	Venue is to have a first aid kit with ice available. Injury reports filled out on any treated injury to monitor occurrence.	IGSA Sport staff
5.11	Extremes of weather	IGSA Sport staff will monitor playing conditions in relation to heat, storms and adverse playing weather. Matches may be postponed, suspended or cancelled as required.	3		IGSA Sport staff
6.1, 6.2	Lack of information, training or instruction	Coaches and staff from individual schools to ensure that girls are adequately prepared to participate. All IGSA Sport rules and guidelines are distributed to all schools and posted on the IGSA Sport website for all participants to access prior to the competition.	5		IGSA Sport staff, schools
6.3, & 7.12	Poor activity delivery or organisation Equipment in unsuitable condition	The convener will ensure that all players are briefed regarding the organisation of the venue and intervene where necessary if problems occur during matches. The best equipment available will be used.	5		IGSA Sport staff and convener
6.4, 6.5, 6.6	Ignorance of rules and / or procedures	IGSA Sport Code of Conduct is clear as to expectations upon players. All schools are aware of this Code, copies are on the IGSA Website available to the public.	5		Schools and school sport staff

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6.7	Medical conditions of participants	Individual schools and associations to ensure their players are physically fit.	5		School sport staff and coaches
6.8, 6.9, 6.10, 6.11, 6.12	Lack of cooperation from people at venue Poor Safety control	Players, coaches and spectators are required to conduct themselves in accordance with the rules of the game and IGSA Sport Code of Conduct.	4		IGSA Sport staff
6.13	Aggression between participants	Qualified umpires to control the games.	5		Umpires
6.14	Aggression from crowd/public	Coaches and spectators are bound by the IGSA Sport Code of Conduct. IGSA Sport staff to monitor parent behaviour.	5		IGSA Sport staff, umpires
7.2	Transport to and from your activity	Responsibility is with the students' school and/or parents.	4		Schools
8.1	Sun Sense	All competitors reminded to Slip, Slop, Slap before commencing. All students are expected to bring their own water bottles.	5		Individual schools
8.2	Unattended students	IGSA Sport staff and schools are to take responsibility for students without supervision	3		IGSA Sport staff, Schools

HAZPAK ratings follow the WorkCover NSW guidelines to assist businesses to manage risks to health and safety

	Very likely Could happen any time	Likely Could happen sometime	Unlikely Could happen but very rarely	Very unlikely Could happen, but probably never will
Kill or cause permanent disability or ill health	1	1	2	3
Long term illness or serious injury	1	2	3	4
Medical attention or several days off school or work	2	3	4	5
First aid needed	3	4	5	6

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Date: 20/12/2024

Level of Competition: Interschool Representative netball trials

Year level/s: 7-12 (15&U / 19&U)

Organisers to check the following:

General	YES	N/A
Permission has been obtained from parents/guardians for all students participating	Y	
Adequate coaches and staff are attending providing appropriate levels of supervision for competitors and spectators	Y	
Parents have been notified of location of venue, transport arrangements and time involved	Y	
First Aid Kit Available	Y	
Water is available for students at the venue	Y	
Ice is available	Y	
Students have been advised of personal sun protection requirements	Y	
A Risk Assessment has been completed	Y	

Participants & Officials

Risk Warning has been published where it is likely parents and players will read it	Y	
Wet weather & extreme heat guidelines have been given to each player	Y	
Wet weather number and website address have been given to each player	Y	

Equipment / Grounds

Only appropriate grounds are used	Y	
Equipment has been checked	Y	
Venue audit has been carried out by IGSA Sport staff member	Y	
Coach / manager has agreed that venue is safe for play	Y	

Environmental

Weather conditions appropriate for the safe conduct of the event	Y	
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