



COURT TIME & POSITIONS POLICY

Please note that the Gisborne Giants Football Netball Club strongly supports an Equal Court Time Policy throughout the season. For finals, court time and positional rotations are at the coach's discretion.

- Our aim is to get all players on the court as much as possible.
- Coaches will average this out the best they can over the season, not necessarily each game.
- Playing positions are decided by the coach based on the team's requirements and players development **not** the players or parents' preferences (although this may be considered).
- At training and in matches players may be asked to experience different positions. This is beneficial to the players overall development and necessary for the coach to be able to rotate players fairly on court.
- It is common practice for coaches of young teams and newly formed teams to try various positions for players while they assess what will work best for the team as well as players.
- Players and parents are expected to accept and support the coach's decisions. However, if they do not agree they can approach the Coach, Team Manager or Netball Coordinator at the appropriate time – not on the sidelines or in front of other parents or players.
- During finals court time and positional rotations are solely at the coach's discretion. Positional rotation will be based on a variety of factors – commitment, effort, attitude, ability to play positions, opposition match up, injuries in team etc. The Gisborne Giants Football Netball Club will ensure that each player be provided the opportunity for court time during finals.