

Bournville & Selly Oak Little League

Little League netball is about developing skills in a sport and in having fun. It is not about winning at all costs.

Rules for League Matches

- League matches are 4 quarters of 6 minutes with up to three minutes' break after each quarter.
- All team players who turn up must have the opportunity to play for at least two quarters. No player should play for all four quarters if there are players who will have played for fewer than three quarters.
- During a match players should change position after each quarter and never play more than two quarters in the same position in any one match. Over the course of the season, players must have played in every position. Players should not play at Centre until they have gained some experience in the game
- Playing positions will be decided by Team Managers fairly and on a quarter by quarter basis. Positions played will be recorded on the sheet provided. The sheets will be available for inspection if a dispute about fairness should arise.
- A valid team must have at least 5 players. A team that does not have at least 5 players on court within 5 minutes of the designated match start time will forfeit the match (a friendly match may be played with available players, including borrowed players, but this will NOT count towards the League Table). One goal is awarded against a team for each minute they are late, if the other team is ready.
- If a team plays with 5 or 6 players, the opposing team must not field more than 6 players.
- Points are awarded as follows: win – 5 points; draw – 3 points; lose – 1 point with an extra point for getting half or more of the winner's score.
- In the League Table a tie on points will be decided by goal difference.
- Matches will be umpired by Team Managers, other Little League officials or umpires having - or working under supervision towards - the Beginners Umpiring Award.
- Weather: matches will be cancelled only if there is persistent heavy rain. We will make the decision on a round by round basis and tell the Team Managers. All players should ring TMs to check if the match has been called off.
- The current Fixtures/Results and League Table will be available on our web page: <http://www.birminghamcitynetballclub.org.uk/BSOLL/BSOLL.html>

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