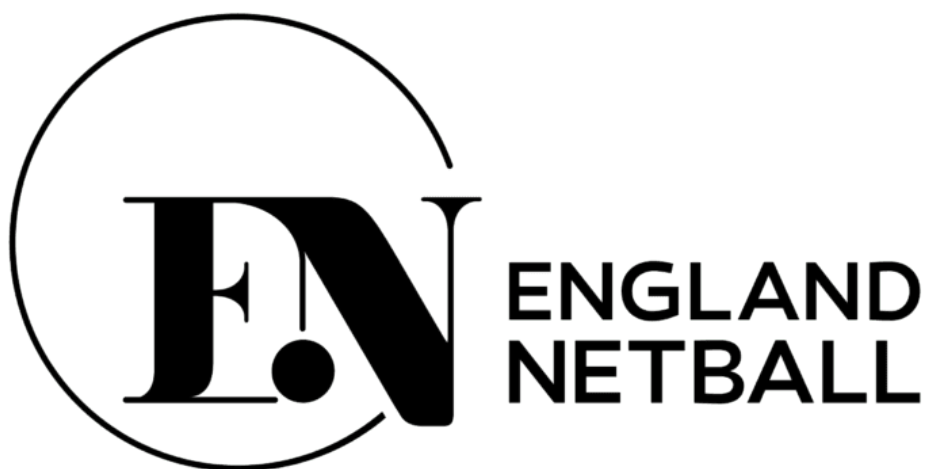


Shropshire Schools and Youth Group Handbook 2026/2027

Version A

Many Changes please check



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Tournament Rules May differ from regular competitions.

***** Hosts please send me the completed results table.**

Many thanks for your commitment to Netball

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Consulting with Shropshire County Committee

Tournament Order / dates

Tuesday 29 th September 2026 -	U14
Tuesday 6 th October 2026 -	U16
Wednesday 14 th October 2026 -	U19
Thursday 11 th February 2027-	U13
Tuesday 23 th February 2027 -	U15
Monday 15 th March 2027-	U12

West Midlands Region finals

Proposed inside @ Walsall

U14 31st January 2027

U16 6th February 2027

U19 7th February 2027

A copy of this booklet can also be found on
www.shropshire-netball.co.uk on the schools page

Information

Rule changes

Anyone entering the county competitions must affiliate their school with England netball.

Squad registration form will need to be filled in and handed in on the day of competition.

• AFFILIATION FORMS

You will receive your affiliation forms direct from England Netball. This should be returned direct to England Netball. Schools must be affiliated to the England Netball if they wish to:

- enter their pupils for Shropshire Schools Netball Trials
- enter County or West Midlands tournaments
- take part in any umpiring or coaching courses

• PHOTOGRAPHY

You **MUST** inform the competition organiser prior to the event if there are any girls that you do not wish to be photographed or videoed.

• COMPETITION ENTRY

PLATE WINNERS & RUNNER-UP from 2025-2026 must enter Trophy competitions for the following age group this year eg. Last years Year 8 plate winners and runners up must enter year 9 trophy competition this year.

Teams that were in the year 7 semi-finals must all enter the year 8 trophy in next cycle.

The U-19 competition has no rules for whether to enter plate or trophy.

The U-12 competition has no plate or trophy just 1 event.

Please email the host directly if you have any inquiries.

Information and Dates for County Netball Tournaments 2026/2027

- Players may only play in ONE age group eg a Year 8 player may play for your U13 team but then is no longer eligible to play in these tournaments at any other age group.
- The U14/U16/U19 are all qualifying tournaments for West Midlands Schools tournament

The Winners and Runners-up of each of these tournaments will represent Shropshire at the West

Midlands Schools Tournament to be played in

- As stated above, a player may only play in ONE age group for which she is FIRST NOMINATED throughout all stages of the tournament.
- The Oddfellows Shield

Schools are awarded points on their placing first to fourth in each tournament (apart from the U19 as not all schools have a 6th form) throughout the year. The school with the most points is awarded the Oddfellows Shield at the end of the season.
- Entry Forms for Tournaments

Entry Forms for all the tournaments are enclosed, please note the closing dates for each competition will be one week after the closing date.
- Affiliations

Only schools affiliated to England Netball will be eligible to enter County Tournaments and take part in West Midlands Tournaments. Please ensure you have completed the form sent by ENGLAND NETBALL and Shropshire County returned it to them before entering any tournaments.

England Netball Association

TOURNAMENT ORGANISATION AND RULES

ORGANISATION

Division of teams into Sections - all teams play each other (seeding if possible). Winners and Runners-up of each section regrouped for quarter/semi finals (according to number of Sections) leading to finals:

i.e. Winner Section A v Runner-up Section B

Winner Section B v Runner-up Section A

OR

Division of teams into Sections - all teams play each other. Winners and Runners-up then regrouped into one Section when each team plays every other team - no finals match will then be necessary.

N.B. The first method of organisation is the most commonly accepted and is to be used

for all Shropshire tournaments whenever possible.

UNDER 14, U16 AND U19 UMPIRING MUST BE ORGANISED ON A NEUTRAL BASIS as they are qualifiers for National Schools Regional Finals.

Umpiring will be organised on a neutral basis throughout the tournament. At quarter and semi final stages, umpires of those teams involved will be expected to umpire a match not involving their team. Losing semi finalists will be expected to provide an umpire for the final.

UNDER 12, 13 and 15 are non -qualifying competitions and added to the SSNA schedule to give competitive opportunities to as many players as possible.

As such schools will umpire their own teams until the final when neutral umpires will be used.

Team Bench. It will be the responsibility of the umpire to determine the area of the court to be deemed 'The Bench' and will make this known to the players and coaches prior to the match.

RULES

Scoring

5 points for a Win

3 points for a draw

1 point to the losing team if scoring over 50% of the goals scored by the winning team.

In the event of a tie on points, **goal average** will decide placings (goals for divided by goals against)

If goal average is drawn then goal difference will be applied (the difference between goals for and goals against).

If goal difference is drawn the result of the group match between the two teams will be the decider.

In the event of a further draw the team with the most goals for will be adjudged the winner.

Rolling Subs. These are not permitted in the tournaments unless stated by the host.

Quarter, Semi and Finals (where applicable) - in the event of a draw at full time, **extra time of two and a half minutes** each way will be played changing over at half time without a break. In the event of a draw at full time, play will continue without a break until the next goal is scored.

Squad/Substitutes

Players may only play in **ONE** age group eg a Year 8 player may play for your U13 team but then is no longer eligible to play in these tournaments at any other age group. Special circumstances may be required.

Each team is allowed a squad of 12 players. Substitutes can be made at half time if required. In the case of an injury, England Netball rules apply. (If in doubt, please see rules book)

Rolling subs rules to be discussed at the beginning of the competition this may be appropriate dependant on competition format.

Late Arrivals

If a reserve starts playing because of the late arrival of a player, she must continue to play until half time.

No team may start a match with less than 5 players.

Late arrivals may enter the game at a break in play or after a goal is scored. The player must play in the vacant position, and substitutions will be allowed at half time.

Accidents and Injury

No extra time is allowed. An injured player must leave the game immediately except in the case of a back or head injury in order that the game can continue. She may re-join the game but only:

- if no substitution has been made
- to the vacant position on court

In the event that a player cannot be removed from the court, the game will be abandoned, and will be replayed later in the tournament at a time to be decided by the tournament organiser.

In the event of an injury where blood is evident, the player concerned will be asked to leave the court to receive attention. She will only be allowed to return to the game once both umpires are satisfied that the injury has been adequately covered.

Individual schools must accept responsibility for allowing an injured player to participate or to continue to participate in a match.

Team Managers/ School organiser must bring their own First Aid kit.

Accidents and Injury during the Final

The same accident and injury rules apply during the Final of a tournament, except that up to **2 minutes injury time (per injury)** will be allowed to determine whether the player is able to continue or if a substitution needs to be made.

Tournament Host

A Tournament Host should be appointed and her sole duty should be to adjudicate on matters of dispute. The Tournament Host and adults representing the teams concerned - with reference to Umpires if required should settle such disputes.

Players should **not** be allowed to interfere in any way with the discussions.

DUTY OF CARE

As recommended by England Netball, we as professionals have an overriding Duty of Care to our players. To ensure their safety, players should only play **within two years** of the age banding if **absolutely necessary**. For example: a Year 8 player should only play in a Year 8 and/or Year 9 team / age group.



Shropshire County Tournament (Trophy only)



	School name:		
	Age group:		
	Name	D.O.B.	School Membership Number
1			
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9			
10			
11			
12			

		Name	Contact Number	Email
Main Contact				
Safeguarding Lead				
I confirm the validity of all of the information provided on this page, and that I have permission from the individuals listed to provide their personal data. I also confirm I have read the England Netball Media Usage form and all players media consents have been identified above.				

Age Group	Date	Venue	Contact
U12	Monday 15 th March 2027	Wrekin College	Dani Martin NGHS
U13	Thursday 11 th February 2027	Haberdashers' Abraham Darby	Laura Jones
U14	Tuesday 29 th September 2026	Shrewsbury School	Ali Causebrook (SHS)
U15	Tuesday 23 th February 2027	Wrekin College	Sharon Thomas (H.L.C)
U16	Tuesday 6 th October 2026	Haberdashers' Abraham Darby	Holly Owen (HAD)
U19	Wednesday 14 th October 2026	Wrekin College	Caroline Morgan (Wrekin)

Under 16 County Netball Tournament

To be held:

at - Haberdashers' Abraham Darby
on - **Tuesday 6th October 2026**
from - Time to be decided by organiser

The Winners and Runners-up of the tournament will go through to represent Shropshire at the West Midlands Schools Tournament to be played on usually the last weekend in January

POLITE REMINDER—If your U15 team was the Plate winner/runner-up in 2025-26 season they should be entered into the U-16 Trophy competition

Closing date: 1 week before the event

NO LATE ENTRIES, UNLESS AT ORGANISERS DISCRETION

If you have any problems or queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours in Netball

Holly Owen

I wish to enter the U16 County Netball Tournament: **TROPHY / PLATE (Please circle)**

Contact Name

School

Address

Telephone No.

Mobile No.

Umpire

E-mail address

Signed

Return to: Holly Owen, Haberdashers' Abraham Darby, Ironbridge Road, Madeley, Shropshire, TF7 5HX

Email: holly.owen@taw.org.uk

Under 19 County Netball Tournament

To be held:

at - Wrekin College, Wellington, Telford TF1 3BH
on - **WEDNESDAY 14th October 2026**
from - TBC

The Winners and Runners-up of the tournament will go through to represent Shropshire at the West Midlands Schools Tournament to be played on the last weekend in January

Closing date: 1 week before the event

NO LATE ENTRIES, UNLESS AT THE ORGANISERS DISCRETION

If you have any problems or queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours in Netball

Caroline Morgan

I wish to enter the U19 County Netball Tournament: **TROPHY**

Contact Name

School

Address

Telephone No.

Mobile No.

Umpire

E-mail address

Signed

Return to: Caroline Morgan, Wrekin College, Wellington, Telford TF1 3BH

Email: [critchiemorgana@wrekincollege.com](mailto:critchmorgana@wrekincollege.com)

Under 14 County Netball Tournament

To be held:

at - **Shrewsbury School**
on - **29th September 2026**
from - Time to be decided by organiser

The Winners and Runners-up of the tournament will go through to represent Shropshire at the West Midlands Schools Tournament to be played on usually the last weekend in January

POLITE REMINDER—If your U13 team was the Plate winner/runner-up in 2025-26 season they should be entered into the Trophy competition

Closing date: 1 week before the event

NO LATE ENTRIES, UNLESS AT ORGANISERS DISCRETION

If you have any problems or queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours in Netball

Ali Causebrook

I wish to enter the U14 County Netball Tournament: **TROPHY / PLATE** (Please circle)

Contact Name

School

Address

Telephone No.

Mobile No.

Umpire

E-Mail address

Signed

Return to:

Ali Causebrook 32 Town Walls, Shrewsbury, SY1 1TN

Email: a.causebrook@shrewsburyhigh.co.uk

Under 13s County Netball Tournament

To be held:

at - Haberdashers' Abraham Darby
on - 11th February 2027
from - Time to be decided by organiser

POLITE REMINDER—If your U12 team last year was one of the 4 semi- finalists in 2025-26 season they should be entered into the U-13 Trophy competition.

Closing date: 1 week before the event

NO LATE ENTRIES, UNLESS AT THE DISCRETION OF THE ORGANISER.

If you have any problems or queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best wishes,
Laura Jones

I wish to enter the U13 County Netball Tournament **TROPHY / PLATE (Please circle)**

Contact Name	_____
School	_____
Address	_____

Telephone No.	_____
Mobile No.	_____
Umpire	_____
E-mail address	_____
Signed	_____

Email: laura.jones@damsqs.uk

Under 15 County Netball Tournament

To be held:

at - Wrekin College. Sutherland Road ,Wellington
on - Tuesday 23th February 2027
from - Time to be decided by organiser

POLITE REMINDER—If your U14 team was the Plate winner/runner-up in 2025-26 season they should be entered into the Trophy competition

Closing date 1 week before the event

NO LATE ENTRIES, UNLESS AT THE DISCRETION OF THE ORGANISER.

If you have any problems or queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best wishes,

Sharon Thomas

I wish to enter the U15 County Netball Tournament **TROPHY / PLATE (please circle)**

Contact Name

School

Address

Telephone No.

Mobile No.

Umpire

E-mail address

Signed

Return to: Sharon Thomas, Waterloo Road, Hadley, Telford, TF1 5NU

Email: Sharon.thomas@ict.education

Under 12 County Netball Tournament

Venue ; - **Wrekin College**

on **Monday 15th March 2027**

from - Time to be decided by organiser

Closing date: 1 week before the event

NO LATE ENTRIES, UNLESS AT THE DISCRETION OF THE ORGANISER.

If you have any problems or queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours in Netball

Dani Martin

I wish to enter the U12 County Netball Tournament

Contact Name

School

Address

Telephone No.

Mobile No.

Umpire

E-mail address

Signed

Return to: Dani Martin, Newport Girls High School, Wellington Road, Newport, TF10 7HL

phone: 01952 797550

Email: D.martin@nghs.org.uk

SSNA Members 2026-27 Season

Secretary	T.B.C	---
Rep. SCNA	Vikki Woodman	Wrekin College Sutherland Road Telford TF1 3BA
Treasurer	T.B.C	---
ENGLAND NETBALL Development Officer	Ruth Hughes	Email: Ruth Hughes Ruth.Hughes@englandnetball.co.uk
SHROPSHIRE CLUBS INFORMATION www.shropshire-netball.co.uk		

Tournament Organisers

U12 Tournament	Dani Martin	Newport Girls High School Wellington Road Newport TF10 7HL
U13 Tournament	Laura Jones	Haberdashers' Abraham Darby, Ironbridge Road, Madeley, Telford, TF7 5HX
U14 Tournament	Ali Causebrook	Shrewsbury School The Schools Shrewsbury SY3 7BA
U15 Tournament	Sharon Thomas	Waterloo Road, Hadley Telford TF1 5NU 01952 387000
U16 Tournament	Holly Owen	Haberdasher Abraham Darby Ironbridge Road Madeley Telford TF7 5HX
U19 Tournament	Caroline Ritchie-Morgan	Wrekin College Sutherland Road Wellington, Telford TF1 3BH

Oddfellows Shield and Results table 2025/26

1st Place = Wrekin 18 points

		Trophy				Plate	
	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th		1 st	2 nd
14	/ Wrekin 5	✗ Thomas Telford 3	Shrew School 2	Ellesmere 1		✗ Marches	Oswestry
16	✗ Wrekin 5	/ ABDAB 3	WBS 2	Shrew School 1		✗ Idsall	Ellesmere
19	/ Wrekin	/ Thomas Telford				✗ Oswestry	
15	Shews High 5	✗ Wrekin 3	Ellesmere 2	Shrews School 1		Ludlow ✗	
13	Prestfelde / 5	WBS ✗ 3	Wrekin 2	NGHS 1		New Road ✗	Idsall

12	Prestfelde	Wrekin					
	5 /	3 X					

1st = Wrekin points

Key : X = no Trophy or plate received

/ = Trophy or plate received