

NETBALL SA, SA HEALTH EXEMPTION 2 JUNE 2020

On Tuesday 2 June, Netball SA (NSA) received an exemption from SA Health in relation to the current 80 person cap per venue under the Emergency Management (Public Activities) (COVID-19) Direction 2020 for outdoor netball in South Australia.

NSA submitted a proposal which was considered by the Chief Public Health Officer and her Deputies and a proposed position for an exemption was put to the Transition Committee who indicated their support for the proposal.

On that basis, the Chief Public Health Officer has indicated that for the purposes of the exemption, the following is approved:

- An individual netball court would be considered as a “place” (rather than an entire outdoor area with multiple courts such as Priceline), and as such the gathering and density requirements would apply for a place as per the Direction which would allow for 20 active participants, 2 coaches, 2 team managers, 2 umpires and 1 scorer and 1 timer (28 people total).
- Where multiple courts are in the one location and immediately adjacent to each other, for the purposes of this exemption an unoccupied court/spacing would need to be provided between occupied courts to separate these “places” for the purpose of the Direction and to reduce the risk of groups mixing together.
- Other strategies are able to be implemented whereby parents/guardians are to remain outside of court areas (fenced) in order to safely maximise usage on court space within the limit of 80.
- This exemption does not apply to indoor court venues.

Note: To ensure a child safe environment, 1 parent/guardian is able to attend with a junior (under 18) player. These parents/guardians need to be accounted for when ensuring venue/court limits are adhered to.

The exemption is based on Netball SA and its affiliates:

- Meeting all other relevant direction requirements.
- Acting consistently with your agreed plan to ensure other measures for infection control are in place.



FAQs

Can netball commence outdoor contact training immediately with 28 people per a court?

Yes, as per the Direction, contact training can commence from 1 June as each court can still meet the density requirement with those numbers.

Can netball commence outdoor contact competitions with 28 people from 25 June?

Yes.

All courts will need to have an “unoccupied court or space” separating them. The space could be on the diagonal, as long as there is sufficient spacing between courts?

The intention of the exemption is to limit the risk of groups mixing so ensuring there is sufficient spacing is the critical factor. A diagonal separation of sufficient distance could achieve this.

Spectators can occupy the space surrounding the courts, provided there is appropriate social distancing, and based on the Square metreage of each “place”

The density requirement (1 person per four square metres) still applies up to a maximum of 80 people. What has changed with the exemption is that a netball court (separated from others) that may be in a complex with multiple courts would be counted as one place rather than all the courts together being limited to 80 people.

With regards to the smaller venues that have less than 80 people present, do we still need to apply a court space rule as we would for the venues above 80 people?

The Direction would apply to all facilities in terms of them needing to meet the density requirement. If there is only two courts at a facility, keeping groups separate either through unoccupied areas or staggering game times would be required.

Does this exemption also apply for indoor courts?

The exemption does not apply to indoor courts – it is outdoor only. Indoor training must continue to meet current restrictions under Step 2 from the SA Government.




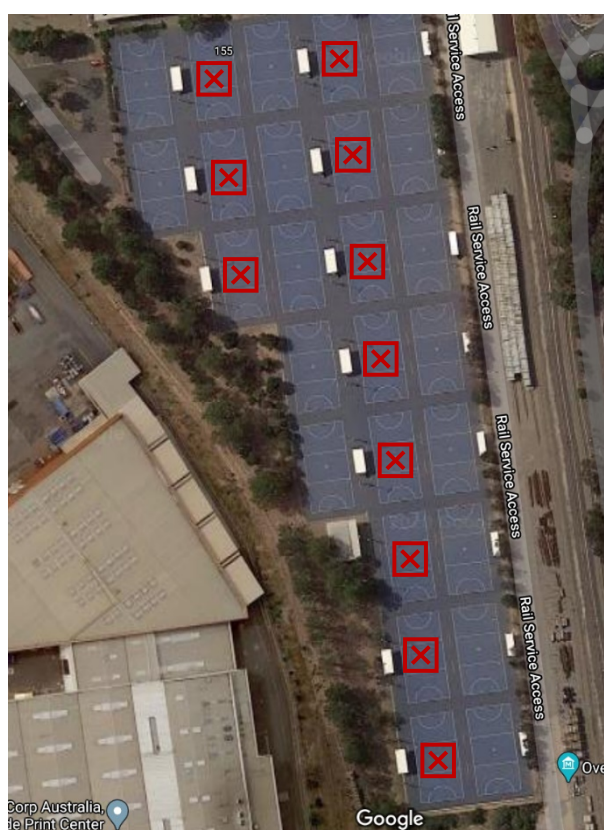
MULTI-COURT CONFIGURATION EXAMPLES

NSA has provided examples below of varying court configurations to assist each club/association in determining how they are able to apply the exemption. There are additional considerations for each venue when determining how to appropriately space their courts for use:

- Fencing of your venue will impact how the exemption is applied.
- Whether your venue has compliant or non-compliant run-offs per the National Facilities Policy will impact how you calculate density and ensure 4m² per person is accounted for around a court perimeter.
- Configuration of a multi-court venue will impact how the exemption is applied. E.g. 2 courts could be configured by the two courts being aligned at the goal ends or by them being aligned at the side-lines (Refer to Mount Compass (modified) and Crafers).

For some locations, it will be simpler to apply the limit of 80 across multiple courts permitting for 28 (as defined in the exemption section above), but ensuring parents/guardians return to their vehicle or remain outside of the fenced area during sessions.

For others, maximising the venue will be best achieved by providing court spacings in between. An example of this is how the exemption will be applied at Priceline Stadium (an  denotes a court that will not be used):



TWO COURTS

MOUNT COMPASS (MODIFIED)

For two court locations such as this one, it is recommended to have parents/guardians remain outside of the court area (fenced area). Apply limit of 20 active participants per court, plus coaches, umpires, managers and timers/scorers (total 28). Maximum people on court areas (within fencing) should not exceed 80.



THREE COURTS

ALDGATE

For three court locations such as this one, it is recommended that the middle court not be operated. Based on the exemption from SA Health, one court is required to be taken out of action in order to create an unoccupied court/spacing. The below image represents this.



MOUNT COMPASS

Venues such as the this should be considered as a one court location and a separate two court location (provided there is fencing in between that separates the areas).



CRAFERS

A venue such as this one where there is not a complete fence between the individual court and the two courts, should be approached as outlined in the diagram by removing one court from use to create an unoccupied court/spacing.

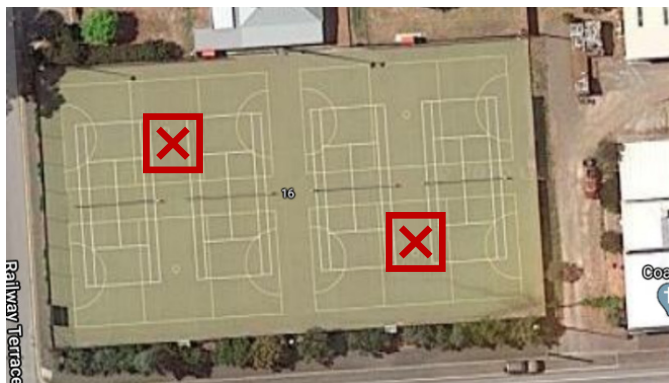


FOUR COURTS

WILLUNGA

For four court locations such as this one, based on the exemption from SA Health, two courts would only be utilised at one time.

Parents/guardians would be permitted to utilise the vacant courts providing that social distancing and 4m² per person is met.



MCLAREN VALE

For a four court location such as this where courts are separated into two enclosed areas, apply the recommendations for two court locations to each separate area.



MYLOR

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Parents/guardians would be permitted to utilise the vacant courts providing that social distancing and 4m² per person is met.



SIX COURTS

ALDINGA

Six court venues that are configured as pictured, should be approached as two three court venues as defined above.



SUNA (MODIFIED)

Apply recommendations as pictured.



EIGHT COURTS

SUNA (MODIFIED)

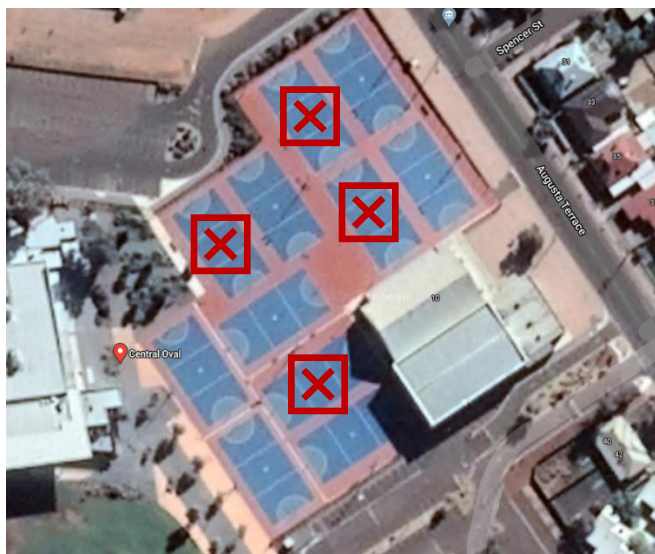
Apply recommendations as pictured.



ELEVEN COURTS

PORT AUGUSTA

Apply recommendations as pictured.



TWELVE COURTS

MOUNT GAMBIER

Apply recommendations as pictured.



SOUTHERN UNITED NETBALL ASSOCIATION

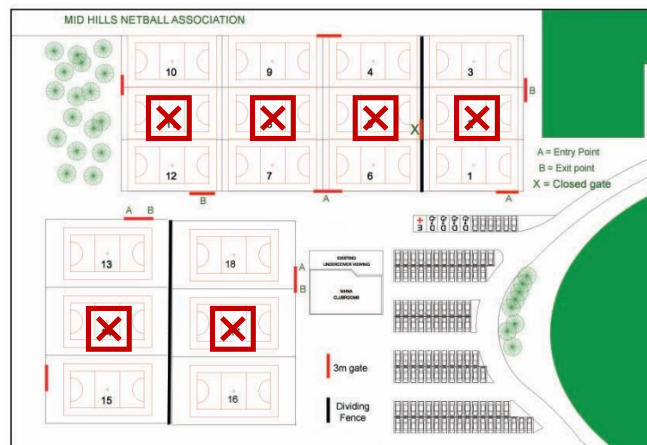
Apply recommendations as pictured.



SIXTEEN COURTS

MID HILLS NETBALL ASSOCIATION

Apply recommendations as pictured.



EIGHTEEN COURTS

WHYALLA

Apply recommendations as pictured.



TWENTY COURTS

SA DISTRICTS NETBALL ASSOCIATION

Apply recommendations as pictured.



TWENTY-TWO COURTS

ELIZABETH NETBALL ASSOCIATION

Apply recommendations as pictured.

