

# SANITISATION PROTOCOL

Sanitisation and hygiene are critical elements of the procedures that all netball organisers must have in place at every netball activity and match (competitive or friendly).

Sanitisation breaks should be factored into every netball activity. Competition organisers should allow time for sanitisation within the match timings.

### **Hand Sanitisation**

All attendees must:

- Wash/sanitise hands before travelling to netball
- Sanitise hands upon arrival at netball activity
- Sanitise hands a minimum of every 15 minutes within the netball activity or match
- Sanitise hands when departing netball activity

### **Netball Sanitisation**

Although netballs can be shared, netball organisers should endeavour to reduce the amount of sharing where possible and encourage players to use their own netball. Where netballs are shared, for example in game play, the following must happen:

- Sanitise netballs prior to each netball activity or match
- Sanitise netballs every 15 minutes using the following 4 steps:
  - Sanitise hands
  - Wipe netballs using an antibacterial wipe
  - Dispose of the wipe in a bin
  - Sanitise hands again
- For matches, a spare 'clean' netball should be available

### **Bib Sanitisation**

Bibs should not be shared. Bibs should be machine washed in accordance with the care label after each netball activity or match.

### **Netball Post and Other Equipment Sanitisation**

The netball post should be sanitised before any netball activity or match using an antibacterial wipe following the same 4 steps as netball sanitisation.

The netball post should be sanitised immediately if the umpire or a player makes contact with the post during the netball activity using an antibacterial wipe following the same 4 steps as netball sanitisation..

Netball posts must be sanitised at the end of every netball activity or match.

Any other equipment (e.g., spots, cones, ladders) used within any netball activity must be sanitised both before and after use following the same 4 steps as netball sanitisation.