



FILL-IN PLAYER POLICY

FILL-IN GUIDELINES:

1. Players can fill-in up to five times in one team
2. The fill-in player needs to be registered with Eltham Panther Junior Netball Club
3. A fill-in player may be sourced from either:
 - a., the same age group, but at least one section below (e.g., U13/2 can borrow from U13/3 or below)
 - b., one age group below (e.g., U13/4 can borrow from any U11 team)
4. The only exception is an U15 can fill in for either U17 or an Open team
5. A team is not permitted to take to the court unless they have a minimum of 5 players, 4 of whom must be regular players with the team
6. All fill-in players must be noted on the score sheet, as well as the team/age group/section of which they are a regular player (e.g., borrowed from U11/3 Meteors)
7. If you need to forfeit, notification of intent to forfeit must be received by DDNA, in writing by 5pm Friday afternoon to avoid a penalty
8. Penalty for failing to provide the required notice of intention to forfeit incurs a \$50 fine (first occasion) and \$100 for subsequent occasions, issued to our Club

FILL-IN PROCESS

1. Coach notifies Team Manager of any player shortages
2. Team Manager contacts the Team Manager of team(s) from which they can source fill-in players (as above)
3. Potential fill-in players are notified by their own Team Manager, who then advises the requesting Team Manager of any players who are available to fill-in*
4. Team Manager provides an update to the Coach, notifying them of any players who are willing and able to fill-in on game day
5. If a Team Manager is unable to field a team, please notify the EPJNC Committee via email (panthersjuniornetballclub@gmail.com), prior to 5pm Friday, so we can notify DDNA and avoid a forfeit penalty.

***Note.** *Not all players are willing or able to fill in for higher level teams and there is no obligation to do so.*