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INTRODUCTION

Instilling a proud tradition of competition and friendly rivalry, the ResLife Sports Program exists to encourage positive interaction between residential colleges of the University of Newcastle. The ResLife Sports Program will commence in early March and formally conclude with the Student Living Awards dinner. Newcastle University Sport (NUsport) will coordinate the overall logistics of the ResLife Sports Program with the assistance of Student Living and the Associations for each residence.

Roles within the ResLife Sports Program

NUsport

Coordinate overall logistics of the Program. This will entail the following:

- Conduct any required meetings for the ResLife Sports Program.
- Formulating rules and guidelines.
- Booking all venues, coordinate equipment, officials and first aid attendants.
- Provide online registration for ResLife participants
- Coordinating all ResLife Sports events.
- Setting up each event.
- Facilitating entries for each sport.
- Tabulating point scores.
- Assistance with appeals and disputes.
- Evaluation of program.

Associations

The appointed members of each association will represent their respective residence. These representatives will be responsible for the following:

- Coordinating teams to represent their residence at weekly fixtures and standalone sporting events.
- Organising training sessions (must be booked and paid for through Venue Hire team at NUsport).
- Encouraging players to participate in all events on the program.
- Entering teams into the sports that are provided.
- Ensuring participants have registered for each competition
- Communicating any forfeits to NUsport 48 hours before games.
- Conduct of players and spectators of their residence.
- Working with the NUsport to organise and facilitate tasks relating to the ResLife Sports Program.
- Evaluation of program.

Student Living

- Promotion of the ResLife Sports Program to residents
- Liaison with NUsport regarding scheduling
- Deals with disciplinary matters
- Coordination of annual Awards Night
- Evaluation of program.

COURT AND OVAL BOOKINGS

Any usage of Courts and Ovals at NUsport and on University grounds MUST be booked through NUsport. Usage costs for these sessions are NOT covered in the ResLife program and must be paid by the associations. To make a booking, contact NUsport on 4921 7003. If you are unable to contact us by phone, please send an email to nusportcompetitions@newcastle.edu.au to request your booking.

Please note that alcohol consumption and vaping is strictly prohibited at ALL NUsport facilities and events.

IMPORTANT – You MUST have a booking to use University Spaces for training, and selections. Fields and Courts are NOT open for use without a booking. Associations found using the fields without a booking may be invoiced a usage or damage fee and be unable to make future bookings on sporting spaces.

REGISTRATIONS

Participants will be required to complete an online form prior to participation. This will be provided before the start of competition.

NUsport staff members will check registrations at each event and gameday. Data collected will be utilised for program evaluation and feedback purposes.

AWARDS

At the conclusion of the year, the residence gaining the highest aggregate of points in the Championship events will be the ResLife Sports Champion and will have their name inscribed on the ResLife Sports Shield. If two residences gain the same highest aggregate points, the residence with the greatest number of championships won during the ResLife Sports Program will be determined the overall winner. If residences are still equal, the winner will be determined by the number of second places and so-on until a winner can be named. Each competition will have its own format for determining positions and point scores. This award will be presented at the Student Living Awards Dinner later in the year.

Also presented at this dinner will be the *Spirit of Sports Award*, which is given to the residence who is judged to have shown the most positive and supportive behaviour throughout the ResLife Sports Program.

KEY DATES 2025

Semester 1			
Mondays 10 Mar – 19 May	Women's Touch Football 7:00pm – 9:00pm	Weekly Competition	Bernie Curran Oval
Fridays 7 Mar – 16 May	Men's Basketball 6:00pm-9:00pm	Weekly Competition	Stadium Court
Saturday 22 Mar	Swimming Carnival 12:00pm – 4:00pm	Carnival	NUsport
Saturday 3 May	Mixed Ultimate Frisbee 12:00pm – 5:00pm	Gala Day	Oval 2
Saturday 17 May	Men's, Ladies & Mixed Badminton 12:00pm-5:00pm	Knockout	NUsport
Semester 2			
Mondays 28 Jul – 6 Oct	Men's Touch Football 6:00pm – 9:00pm	Weekly Competition	Bernie Curran Oval
Fridays 30 Jul – 10 Oct	Women's Basketball 6:00pm-9:00pm	Weekly Competition	NUsport
Saturday 2 Aug	Mixed Volleyball 12:00pm – 5:00pm	Gala Day	NUsport
Saturday 13 Sept	Mixed Soccer 12:00pm – 5:00pm	Gala Day	Oval 2
Saturday 20 Sept	Mixed Netball 12:00pm – 5:00pm	Gala Day	NUsport

FIXTURES, RESULTS & LADDERS

Competition fixtures, results and ladders can be found at <https://nusport.org.au/reslife/>

Scroll to the bottom of the page to find the **Draws and Results** section. Competition fixtures will be available within a week of competitions starting.

Calendar of Events 2025



NUSPORT

Semester 1 - 2025													
	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Apr 14 - Apr 27	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10	Week 11	Week 12	Week 13
	3 Mar - 9 Mar	10 Mar - 16 Mar	17 Mar - 23 Mar	24 Mar - 30 Mar	31 Mar - 6 Apr	7 Apr - 13 Apr			28 Apr - 4 May	5 May - 11 May	12 May - 18 May	19 May - 25 May	26 May - 1 June
Gala Days and Events			Sat 22nd Mar Swimming Carnival 12:00pm - 4:00pm				Mid-Semester Break 2	Sat 3rd May Mixed Ultimate Frisbee Gala Day 12:00pm-5:00pm		17th May Men's, Ladies & Mixed Badminton 12:00pm-5:00pm			
Monday Nights Ladies Touch		10th March Round 1	17th March Round 2	24th March Round 3	31st March Round 4	7th April Round 5		28th April Round 6	5th May Round 7	12th May Semi Finals	19th May Grand Final		
Friday Nights Mens Basketball	7th March Round 1	14th March Round 2	21st March Round 3	25th March Round 4	4th April Round 5	11th April Round 6		2nd May Round 7	9th May Semi Finals	16th May Grand Final			

Semester 2 - 2025													
	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	25 Aug - 31 Aug	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	29 Sep - 5 Oct	Week 10	Week 11
	21 Jul-27 Jul	28 Jul-3 Aug	4 Aug-10 Aug	11 Aug-17 Aug	18 Aug-24 Aug			1 Sep - 7 Sep	8 Sep - 14 Sep	15 Sep - 21 Sep		22 Sep - 28 Sep	
Gala Days and Events		Sat 2nd Aug Mixed Volleyball Gala Day 12:00pm-5:00pm				Mid-Semester Break 1		Sat 13th Sep Mixed Soccer Gala Day 12:00pm-5:00pm	Sat 20th Sep Mixed Netball Gala Day 12:00pm-5:00pm		Mid-Semester Break 2		TBC Student Living Awards Dinner
Monday Nights Men's Touch	21st July Round 1	28th July Round 2	4th August Round 3	11th August Round 4	18th August Round 5		1st September Round 6	8th September Round 7	15th September Semi-Finals	22nd September Grand Final			
Friday Nights Ladies Basketball	25th July Round 1	1st August Round 2	8th August Round 3	15th August Round 4	22nd August Round 5		5th September Round 6	12th September Round 7	19th September Semi-Finals	26th September Grand Final			

Sport Specific Rules

Note each sport in the ResLife Program will follow the rules of the governing body of that sport in Australia, except where NUsport is required to adapt or include local rules to better suit the program or competition. In such cases, any local rule changes will be communicated to the associations (via their representative) and Student Living prior to the commencement of that competition.

Links to Sport Specific Rules
<p>Basketball <i>International Basketball Association (FIBA)</i> FIBA Official Basketball Rules</p>
<p>Touch Football <i>Touch Football Australia (TFA)</i> Touch Football Australia Playing Rules 8th Edition</p>
<p>Ultimate Frisbee <i>World Flying Disc Federation (WFDF)</i> Ultimate Flying Disc Federation Rules</p>
<p>Badminton <i>Badminton World Federation (BWF)</i> Badminton World Federation Regulations</p>
<p>Volleyball <i>Federation for International Volleyball (FIVB)</i> Official Volleyball Rules 2021-2024</p>
<p>Netball <i>International Netball Federation (INF)</i> International Netball Federation</p>
<p>Soccer The International Football Association Board Laws of The Game</p>

INCLEMENT WEATHER

In cases where competitions cannot commence due to inclement weather, including rain, hail, storms, or extreme heat, etc., NUsport will endeavour to move the event to an alternate date where possible. This may include rearranging the competition structure to suit timeframes, venue availability, etc. The postponement or cancellation of a competition will be determined by NUsport at the soonest possible time and communicated to Student Living and the resident association representatives. In the event of a single match or game being impacted by inclement weather, if rescheduling is not possible, the game will be considered a 0-0 draw.

Weekly Fixtures

Semester 1	
Monday Night Ladies Touch Football	10 th March – 19 th May
Friday Night Men's Basketball	7 th March – 16 th May

Semester 2	
Monday Night Men's Touch Football	28 th July – 22 nd September
Wednesday Night Ladies Basketball	30 th July – 26 th September

Weekly fixtures will take on the same structure as last year in 2025. Residences shall play for points which will contribute to their weekly ladder ranking for each sport. The fixtures and results will be visible on NUsport website and via the Game Day mobile app under our Social Sport header found [here](#).

Points shall be awarded as follows for each weekly round.

Win	Draw	Loss	Forfeit
3	2	1	0

Team Sizes

Teams will be asked to register online and to confirm their players each week on a registration form provided by NUsport

Sport	# Registered Players	# Players/game	Max # on field	Min # on field
Touch	Unlimited	14	6	4
Basketball	Unlimited	12	5	4

4 team knockout format

Semi Final – 1st v 4th, 2nd v 3rd

Grand Final – Winner of each Semi-Final
3rd/4th – Loser of each Semi-Final

Positions 1 – 2 will be determined by the finals series.

Position 3 -4 will be determined by 3rd Place Playoff Game

Positions 5 – 8 will be determined by finishing position on the ladder at the end of the regular season.

Points Structure:

Grand Final Winner	80 Points
Grand Final R-Up	70 Points
3 rd /4 th Winner	60 Points
3 rd /4 th R-Up	50 Points

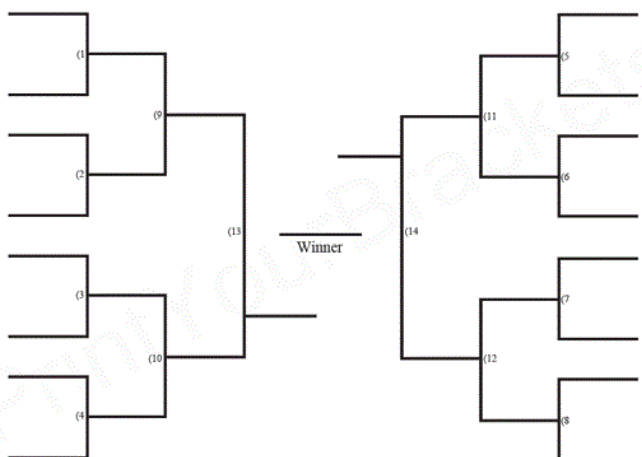
Ladder Position 5 th	40 Points
Ladder Position 6 th	30 Points
Ladder Position 7 th	20 Points
Ladder Position 8 th	10 Points

Knockouts and Gala Days

Semester 1		Semester 2	
Swimming Carnival	Saturday 22 March 12:00pm-4:00pm	Mixed Volleyball	Saturday 02 August 12:00pm-5:00pm
Mixed Ultimate Frisbee	Saturday 03 May 12:00pm-5:00pm	Mixed Football (Soccer)	Saturday 13 September 12:00pm-5:00pm
Men's, Ladies and Mixed Badminton	Saturday 17 May 12:00pm-5:00pm	Mixed Netball	Saturday 20 September 12:00pm-5:00pm

Badminton

Each residence will select two males, two females, and two mixed doubles pairs to compete in a knockout competition. Each player/pair will be seeded for the purpose of the draws. There will be Men's and ladies' singles, and Mixed doubles tournaments, each with a separate draw using the format seen below. Points will be awarded according to the round in which each player/pair finish (see below).



Points Allocation	
Forfeit:	0 points
Round 1:	1 point
Round 2:	2 points
Semi-Final:	3 points
Runner-Up:	5 points
Winner:	7 points

Points are accumulated across the Men's, Women's, and Mixed tournaments to determine the overall residence placing's, for example:

Edwards Hall: (Men = 7pts) + (Women = 3pts) + (Mixed Doubles = 3pts) = 13 points.

If there are residences tied on points at the conclusion of all three tournaments, the following tiebreakers will be used (in order shown):

POINTS – HIGHEST ROUND REACHED – SCORE DIFFERENCE – SCORE FOR

Points Structure:

1 st on Overall Points	80 Points
2 nd on Overall Points	70 Points
3 rd on Overall Points	60 Points
4 th on Overall Points	50 Points

5 th on Overall Points	40 Points
6 th on Overall Points	30 Points
7 th on Overall Points	20 Points
8 th on Overall Points	10 Points

Gala Tournaments

All gala tournaments will be contested in the following format:

POOL A	POOL B
1 st Seed	2 nd Seed
4 th Seed	3 rd Seed
5 th Seed	6 th Seed
8 th Seed	7 th Seed

Pool Games

All teams from Pool A play each other once. All teams from Pool B play each other once. Once pool games are completed, teams are organised into a ladder to determine Pool standings.

Points shall be awarded as follows for each round

Win	Draw	Loss	Forfeit
3	2	1	0

Team Sizes

Teams will be required to register their players on the Game Day platform prior to the tournament.

Sport	# Registered Players	# Players/game	Max # on field	Min # on field
Soccer	Unlimited	12	7	5
Netball	Unlimited	12	7	5
Volleyball	Unlimited	12	6	4
Frisbee	Unlimited	12	7	5

Team Configuration

Mixed Soccer – Teams must have a minimum of two (2) females on the field at any time.

Mixed Netball – Teams must have a maximum of three (3) and minimum of one (1) male/s on court at any time. With a maximum of one (1) male per third i.e. one only as either GS or GA (attacking third), one only as either WA, C or WD (centre third), and one only as either GD or GK (defensive third)

Mixed Volleyball – Teams must have a minimum of three (3) females on the court at any time

Mixed Ultimate Frisbee – Teams must have a minimum of three (3) females on the field at any time

Finals Series

Semi Finals: 1st Pool A v 2nd Pool B, 1st Pool B v 2nd Pool A

Grand Final: Winners of Semi Finals

3rd/4th Playoff: Losers of Semi Finals

Positions 5-8 will not participate in the finals series and will be determined by the below tiebreakers (in order shown):
POINTS – GAMES WON – SCORE DIFFERENCE – SCORE FOR

Points Structure

Grand Final Winner	80 Points
Grand Final R-Up	70 Points
3 rd /4 th Winner	60 Points
3 rd /4 th R-Up	50 Points

5 th as per tiebreakers	40 Points
6 th as per tiebreakers	30 Points
7 th as per tiebreakers	20 Points
8 th as per tiebreakers	10 Points

Carnivals

Swimming Carnival

Each residence may enter up to eight (8) swimmers in each event. Swimmers' names and Residence for each event must be submitted to NU Sport by **Wednesday 19th March** in order for timetables and heats to be finalised. The **top two swimmers** from each residence in an event will progress to the Finals (16 swimmers total). The fastest eight times will make up the **A final**, while the next eight will make up the **B final**.

The schedule of the Swimming Carnival Events will be as follows:

- 50m Freestyle Heats (Men then Women)
- 50m Breaststroke Heats (Men then Women)
- 50m Butterfly Heats (Men then Women)
- 50m Backstroke Heats (Men then Women)

- 50m Freestyle **Finals** (Men then Women)
- 50m Breaststroke **Finals** (Men then Women)
- 50m Butterfly **Finals** (Men then Women)
- 50m Backstroke **Finals** (Men then Women)

- 4 x 50m Freestyle (Men & Women) (1 team per Residence)
- Medley Relay (Mixed) (1 team per Residence) - Time Permitting

Points will be awarded for the final/s of each event as follows:

Place	A Final		B Final
	Individual Event	Relay	Individual Event
1 st	20	30	10
2 nd	18	26	8
3 rd	17	24	7
4 th	16	22	6
5 th	15	20	5
6 th	14	18	4
7 th	13	16	3
8 th	12	14	2

Points will be accumulated throughout the Carnival for each residence to determine the overall winner.

Performance Points Structure:

1 st on Overall Points	80 Points
2 nd on Overall Points	70 Points
3 rd on Overall Points	60 Points
4 th on Overall Points	50 Points

5 th on Overall Points	40 Points
6 th on Overall Points	30 Points
7 th on Overall Points	20 Points
8 th on Overall Points	10 Points

Participation Points Structure:

The participation point framework aims to recognise residences for their participation in events based on the number of nominated swimmers who compete. Below are the details which outline how the point system will be implemented.

1. *Eligibility for participation points requires a minimum of three nominated persons from a residence for any one event.*
2. *A residence may nominate up to eight swimmers for an event, however, participation points are capped at six per event.*
3. *Participation points are earned only by nominated swimmers who compete in their designated event. Non-participation will result in no participation points being awarded.*
4. *Failure to meet the minimum nomination requirement of three swimmers per event or non-participation of nominated swimmers will result in no participation points being awarded to the residence for this event.*

Please note - *Nominated swimmers must complete the event as prescribed (i.e. 50m butterfly) to qualify for the points. Total participation points will be calculated upon completion of the carnival and will be added to the total performance points. The residence with the highest accumulation of performance points and participation points will be crowned champion. Participation points are only available in the heats.*

SPIRIT OF SPORT AWARD

The Spirit Award is designed to showcase a team that has embodied the 'spirit of the game'. This includes demonstrating outstanding levels of sportsmanship and the ability to overcome obstacles and boundaries that are unpredictable during each game. This team also contributes to a supportive and inclusive environment where their teammates, coaching staff, umpires, and spectators feel respected and inspired.

After each game the referee and team captains will allocate points to each team. When allocating spirit points you should consider the following questions before providing a score. The spirit score is recorded on the score sheet at the end of each game.

- Did they abide by the rules?
- Were they fair minded/ did they avoid contact etc?
- Did they show self-control and a positive attitude?
- Did they communicate properly and effectively?
- Did they work together as a united team?

Teams will be contacted should they receive a score of 2 or less by one of our officials or their opposition. The residence judged to have most consistently displayed positive and supportive behaviour throughout the year will be awarded the Spirit of Sports award.

NUsport takes a zero-tolerance approach to bullying, harassment, and discrimination of any kind. NUsport reserves the right to remove suspend or ban teams and individuals from matches and competitions for any conduct that is contrary to the spirit of sport, NUsport terms and conditions of participation and code of conduct.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

Eligibility

- All players must be registered on the online registration platform before participating in any ResLife Sports competitions.
- Participation is limited to current student living residents only.
- Each participant can only represent the college of their registered residence.

If an ineligible player(s) represents a residence in the ResLife Sports Program, that residence shall automatically be disqualified from each match, game, and contest etc, in which the ineligible player(s) participated. Therefore, that residence shall not receive any points for that event, match, game, or contest. A forfeit win will be awarded to the opposing team.

PROTESTS AND FORFEITS

Forfeits MUST be communicated with NUsport **48 hours before** the commencement of the game. Forfeits can be phoned in on 4921 7003 or by emailing NUsportCompetitions@newcastle.edu.au

Any team that is unable to participate more than 10 minutes after the time appointed for any match shall be deemed to have forfeited that match.

If a match is abandoned, it shall be deemed a draw, unless the two association coordinators involved, in consultation with NUsport and Student Living, meet within one week of the abandonment of the match and agree to complete or replay the match on a date agreeable to both. A match may only be abandoned due to bad weather or by the referee's decision.

Decisions relating to a match shall be in the hands of the umpire(s), referee(s), or adjudicator(s).

Protests, except those concerning eligibility of players, shall be entertained only if they are lodged in writing to NUsport:

- Within 48 hours of the conclusion of the match.
- In other extenuating circumstances at the discretion of NUsport.

Protests concerning eligibility of players can be entertained up until the final of that competition. Protests regarding decisions by a referee or umpire during a game or match will not be considered.

CODE OF CONDUCT

NUsport is dedicated to ensuring the ResLife Sports Program is conducted, played, and administered in a professional and equitable manner. To ensure this is recognised and acknowledged by players, supporters, officials, the University community, and the public, NUsport has adopted a Code of Behaviour and Athletes Agreement for the ResLife Sports Program.

Aim

It is the aim of NUsport to conduct a safe and spirited sporting competition involving various Resident teams. In pursuit of this aim NUsport requires that players and supporters uphold the traditions of fair play and good sportsmanship.

Coverage

This Code of Behaviour has been written to cover any player, official, referee, administrator or spectator involved in any ResLife Sports event.

Codes of Behaviour

Spectator's Code of Behaviour

- Respect the officials' decision. Do not abuse, threaten, or intimidate a referee or match official and do not show dissent, displeasure or disapproval towards a referee or match official's decision in an abusive or unreasonable fashion.
- Condemn the use of violence in any form, whether it occurs between spectators, coaches, officials, or players.
- Support skilled performances.
- Show respect for opponents.

- Display appropriate social behaviour by not using profane, demeaning, or derogatory language, or harassing players, coaches, officials, or other spectators.
- Do not consume alcohol at or around sporting venues or arrive to the venue intoxicated.
- Do not smoke or vape at or around sporting venues.
- Do not throw any object.
- Barrack in a positive way.
- Leave the area tidy and free from any litter or other mess.
- Do not behave in any manner, or engage in any activity, whether on or off the field, that is likely to impair positive public perception as to the orderly and professional conduct of ResLife Sports Program.
- Promote The ResLife Sports Program as a spirited, safe, and enjoyable competition to be enjoyed by players, spectators, officials, and administrators.
- The referee may issue a warning to the captain of the team of which the spectators are breaking the code of behaviour. The captain must let the spectators know they will be asked to leave if they continue to break the code of behaviour, and their team will be penalised. If the spectators are asked to leave and they refuse, the offending residence will incur a forfeit for that game.

Player's Code of Behaviour

- Abide by the rules of the match or competition.
- Always behave in a positive manner and do not direct physical or verbal abuse towards officials or other participants at any time.
- Encourage and support honest effort, skilled performance, and improvement.
- Show respect for opponents and their skills.
- Show respect for game officials, team officials and teammates.
- Do not mix alcohol with sport. (No player will be permitted to take part in any competition when there is any indication of intoxication.)
- Comply with the safety guidelines as outlined.
- Do not behave in any manner, or engage in any activity, whether on or off the field, that is likely to impair positive public perception as to the orderly and professional conduct of The ResLife Sports Program.
- Promote The ResLife Sports Program as a spirited, safe, and enjoyable competition to be enjoyed by players, spectators, officials, and administrators.

Referee's and Official's Code of Behaviour

- Be consistent, objective, and courteous in controlling the game.
- Promote respect for all opponents by disciplining unsportsmanlike behaviour.
- Ensure, as a referee or official, behaviour both on and off the field is consistent with the principles of good sportsmanship.
- Make a personal commitment to keep informed of sound officiating principles and developments within the relevant sport or game.
- Do not behave in any manner, or engage in any activity, whether on or off the field, that is likely to impair positive public perception as to the orderly and professional conduct of The ResLife Sports Program.
- Promote The ResLife Sports Program as a spirited, safe, and enjoyable competition to be enjoyed by players, spectators, officials, and administrators.

Administrator's Code of Behaviour

- Ensure equal opportunities for participation in sports are made available to all participants.
- Encourage a positive attitude towards The ResLife Sports Program.
- Provide the administrative, managerial, and structural support necessary to ensure the best possible performance of teams, athletes, and members.
- Ensure rules, equipment, training schedules and games meet safety standards, and are appropriate to the age, ability, and maturity level of the participants.
- Ensure qualified and competent coaches and officials provide adequate supervision and support.
- Do not behave in any manner, or engage in any activity, whether on or off the field, that is likely to impair positive public perception as to the orderly and professional conduct of The ResLife Sports Program.
- Promote The ResLife Sports Program as a spirited, safe, and enjoyable competition to be enjoyed by players, spectators, officials, and administrators.

Alcohol regulation

- All sports facilities where The ResLife Sports Program is conducted are Alcohol Free Zones. No alcohol is to be consumed whilst using these facilities unless authorised by the CEO, NUsport with express permission.
- All sports facilities are Glass Free Zones. No glass items are to be taken onto or into any part of the sports facilities.
- If alcohol is found at sports facilities:
 - Students will be asked to remove the alcohol.
 - if the student refuses to do so, the teams playing from the student's Residence, will receive the following point deductions from their current total:
- The Residence of the student found with alcohol will receive, in the first instance, an automatic 50-point deduction from their overall point score. Subsequent infringements from the same Residence will receive automatic deductions of 100 points, then 150 points and so on (in increasing increments of 50 points per infringement).
- If the student still refuses to remove alcohol, all their residence teams for that sport will be disqualified, and both University Security and the Police will be contacted.

Disputes and Complaints

All disputes and complaints regarding codes of behaviour should be made according to the policy document supplied by NUsport.

Process to address breach of the Code of Conduct or Rules of Competition

If athletes or supporters breach the ResLife Sports Program Code of Conduct (e.g. consuming alcohol at intercollegiate sports competitions etc):

- Participants to immediately report the incident to NUsport Staff
- NUsport Staff member immediately gets in touch with the Sports Representative from offending residence.
- NUsport Staff and Sports Representatives meet with offending athletes or supporters to identify them
- NUsport Staff and/or person participant reporting complete incident report within 2 working days and lodge reports to NUsport
- NUsport contacts Student Living, providing them with the incident report
- Student Living meet with Sports Coordinators to decide on appropriate sanction within 2 working days
- Student Living immediately notify NUsport of the determination
- NUsport decide points deduction in collaboration with Student Living

- Possible sanctions (but not limited to) as a guide for breach of the code of conduct.
- **First offence** at the intercollegiate sporting event:
 - deduction of 50 points
- **Second offence** of similar incident:
 - double the deduction of points from the first penalty and Sports Representatives of the offending residence to meet with Student Living and NUsport
- **Third offence or a severe breach** (e.g. aggressive / abusive behaviours)
 - Disqualification for the team and appropriate disciplinary action using the Halls of Residence process
- **Refusal to cooperate** with NUsport staff, Student Living staff and/or officials:
 - Disqualification of teams

If athletes breach rules of the competition

- Complainants immediately advise the referee at the game
- If requiring further action, complainants must lodge incident report within 48 hours of the competition to the NUsport and Student Living
- NUsport meets with Student Living to discuss the incident report
- NUsport and Student Living decides on appropriate outcome/sanction within 2 working days
- NUsport and Student Living immediately notifies Sports Representatives of competing residences of the outcome

Possible sanctions (but not limited to) as a guide for breach of the competition rules:

- Disqualification of one team
- Disqualification of both teams
- Equal split of points to both teams

- Warning to one or both teams, with more severe sanction if it reoccurs

Note:

- If results of the sporting competition have been announced before the incident or complaint could be investigated and determined, the results will be changed based on the outcome of the investigation
- No verbal complaints will be considered for investigation

Appeals Process

- All appeals must be lodged in writing to NUSport within 2 working days of the determination made by the NUSport and Student Living
- The outcome of the appeal will be final

Athlete's and Spectator's Agreement

By participating in the ResLife Sports Program, all athletes and spectators are bound by the following regulations. In consideration of NUSport and Student Living approving me to participate in the 2023 ResLife Sports Program, I agree to abide by the following Terms and Conditions and those contained within the ResLife Sports Program Code of Conduct. I declare I am eligible to compete in the University of Newcastle ResLife Sports Program in accordance with the Eligibility Guidelines as stated in the program.

Obligations

I agree:

- to observe and comply with each term and condition of this Agreement, the Constitution and Regulations of the University of Newcastle and of NUSport.
- to observe and comply with the regulations governing the event in which I will be participating.
- to conduct myself in a manner to not bring myself, the team, NUSport or the University of Newcastle into public disrepute or censure and to the absolute satisfaction of the University of Newcastle.
- not to make comment, issue, or endorse any public criticism or statement having or designed to have a prejudicial effect on the interests of NUSport, the team or any member of the team.
- to conduct myself in such a manner as to obtain and maintain my best possible physical fitness and health to carry out my duties to the team to the best of my ability.
- to comply with the University of Newcastle's Alcohol and Other Drugs Policy.

Breach

Should I breach any part of this agreement, NUSport and Student Living, may at their discretion:

- terminate my membership of the team; and/or
- exclude me from the competition.

I also understand that any actions by me deemed to constitute misbehaviour during the contest may result in an indefinite suspension from participating in future university championships or ResLife Sports Events.

Discipline

Should a complaint be received about my behaviour during the period I am a member of the team, I agree that in addition to any disciplinary action taken by NUSport:

- the matter will be heard by all Student Living.
- I will make myself available to provide such knowledge as I have about the event.

Should a complaint be received about the behaviour of a group of which I was a party, I further agree:

- to cooperate with NUSport to help determine the true facts of the matter.
- that if NUSport and Student Living determine that in their opinion the actions of the group are deemed to constitute misbehaviour, or have been prejudicial to the competition, that it is incumbent upon me to demonstrate that not only did I not participate in the deemed misbehaviour but also that I did not in any way incite, encourage, condone or knowingly profit from the actions which gave rise to the complaint.
- that if I am unable to demonstrate to the satisfaction of NUSport and Student Living that I was not involved in the deemed misbehaviour of the group of which I was a party, I will accept the penalty that is imposed upon the group.

QR codes will be available at each event to report incidents, however we urge those with concerns to discuss this with NUsport officials first. We understand that this might not be the best option during altercations, hence the incident report will help NUsport and Student Living to collaboratively deal with disputes and complaints. NUsport Staff will also have the opportunity to complete their own incident report, to help us gain necessary information about issues that may occur during ResLife events.



Release and indemnity

I expressly agree that NUsport, shall not in any circumstances be under any liability whatsoever to me for any loss, damage or injury of whatsoever kind arising directly or indirectly for any act, neglect, or fault on the part of NUsport and connected with my participation in the ResLife Sports Program. I hereby indemnify and will always hereafter indemnify and keep indemnified NUsport against all actions, suits, proceedings, claims, demands, cost, and expenses whatsoever which may be taken against NUsport in conjunction with or arising out of such loss, damage, or injury. I understand that NUsport retains the right for publicity and advertising purposes, photographs of participants.

SEEDINGS













Many of the sports contested in the ResLife Sports Program require residences to be seeded for the fixtures to be produced. 2024 results will be utilised to seed residences for each even that is required. Below are the seedings for each sport based on 2024 results:

Seed	Touch Football		Basketball	
	Men's	Ladies	Men's	Ladies
1	East Tower	Edwards Hall	West Tower	West Tower
2	Evatt House	West Tower	South Tower	Evatt House
3	International House	Barahineban	Barahineban	Edwards Hall
4	Edwards Hall	North Tower	Edwards Hall	East Tower
5	West Tower	Evatt House	Evatt House	Barahineban
6	South Tower	International House	International House	International House
7	Barahineban	East Tower	East Tower	North Tower
8	North Tower	South Tower	North Tower	South Tower

Seed	Soccer	Netball	Volleyball	Ultimate Frisbee
	Mixed	Mixed	Mixed	Mixed
1	West Tower	South Tower	Evatt House	Evatt House
2	Edwards Hall	West Tower	Edwards Hall	Edwards Hall
3	North Tower	Edwards Hall	West Tower	International House
4	East Tower	Evatt House	East Tower	Barahineban
5	South Tower	Barahineban	Barahineban	West Tower
6	Evatt House	East Tower	North Tower	South Tower
7	International House	International house	South Tower	East Tower
8	Barahineban	North Tower	International House	North Tower

Seed	Badminton
	Mixed Overall
1	Barahineban
2	Evatt House
3	South Tower
4	North Tower
5	East Tower
6	West Tower
7	International House
8	Edwards Hall

DEFENDING CHAMPIONS

<p>Swimming – Overall (2024)</p> <p>Edwards Hall</p> 	<p>Badminton – Overall (2024)</p> <p>Barahineban BARAHINEBAN</p> 	<p>Touch – Men’s (2024)</p> <p>East Tower</p> 	<p>Basketball – Ladies’ (2024)</p> <p>West Tower</p> 
<p>Soccer – Mixed (2024)</p> <p>West Tower</p> 	<p>Ultimate - Mixed (2024)</p> <p>Evatt House</p> 	<p>Touch – Ladies’ (2024)</p> <p>Edwards Hall</p> 	<p>Basketball – Men’s (2024)</p> <p>West Tower</p> 
<p>Netball – Mixed (2024)</p> <p>South Tower</p> 	<p>Volleyball – Mixed (2024)</p> <p>Evatt House</p> 	<p>Spirit of Sport (2024)</p> <p>Barahineban BARAHINEBAN</p> 	<p>ResLife Sports - Overall (2024)</p> <p>West Tower</p> 

Spirit of Sports – 2024

1st Place	Barahineban	294
2 nd Place	West Tower	293
2 nd Place	East Tower	282
4 th Place	South Tower	272
5 th Place	Evatt House	265
6 th Place	North Tower	262
7 th Place	Edwards Hall	261
8 th Place	International House	231

ResLife Sports Champion – 2024

1st Place	West Tower	620
2 nd Place	Edwards Hall	600
3 rd Place	Evatt House	540
4 th Place	Barahineban	450
5 th Place	East Tower	410
6 th Place	South Tower	360
7 th Place	North Tower	280
8 th Place	International House	260

*All information in this booklet is accurate at the time of printing. NUsport reserve the right to make changes at any time should they see it necessary and will advise Student Living and the associations of any such adjustments.