

GPS Flagship Division Game Time

1. Purpose
 To establish a consistent and reliable game time schedule for Flagship Division GPS Sport and Activities, ensuring fairness and predictability for all teams, officials, and spectators.

2. Policy Statement
 All Flagship Division GPS Sport and Activities will adhere to a specified game time schedule, irrespective of weather conditions. Any deviations from this schedule will only be considered under exceptional circumstances and must be requested at least six weeks in advance to the GPS Executive Officer.

3. Game Time Schedule
 - a. Standard Game Time:
 - i. Basketball – Saturday, 12:15pm
 - ii. Chess – Friday, 4:00pm¹
 - iii. Cricket – Saturday, 10:00am²
 - iv. Debating – Friday, 6:15pm¹
 - v. Football – Saturday, 1:15pm
 - vi. Rugby – Saturday, 2:20pm
 - vii. Tennis – Saturday, 8:30am²
 - viii. Volleyball – Saturday, 12:30pm

^{#1} - In the occurrence of clashes with GPS Championships Events (eg. Swimming), Public Holidays and/or Student Free Days, fixtures will amend from Friday to Thursday night. Advance notification 12months in advance by the GPS Association provided and gazette in the GPS Fixture Calendar.

 - b. In any gazetted 9-week term, there will be a full round of GPS fixtures on the last Friday, replicating the Saturday schedule.

 - c. Venue Requirements: Fixtures will be held at designated venues that meet the necessary standards for Flagship fixtures approved by the GPS Association Competition Manager.

4. Weather Conditions
 - a. Matches will proceed as scheduled regardless of weather conditions. Teams must be prepared to play under various weather scenarios, including rain, wind, and cold temperatures.
 - b. GPS Abandonment of Competition and Activities outlines specific rules, including delayed start times in Cricket and Tennis.
 - c. Safety Precautions: Referees and match officials will have the authority to implement safety measures during adverse weather conditions, such as temporary stoppages, but the overall schedule must be maintained.

5. Exceptional Circumstances
 - a. Application for Deviation: In exceptional circumstances where adherence to the scheduled game time is impractical, teams may apply for a deviation through the [official form on GPSNet](#).
 - b. Application Deadline: Applications must be submitted no less than nine (9) weeks before the scheduled match date.
 - c. Submission Process: Applications should be directed to the GPS Association, detailing the reasons for the request and any supporting documentation through the [official form on GPSNet](#).
 - d. Review and Decision: The Executive Committee will review each application on a case-by-case basis. Decisions will be communicated to the applying school within two weeks of the application submission, and all GPS Members.

6. Enforcement and Compliance
 - a. Monitoring: Compliance with the game time policy will be monitored by the GPS Competition Manager.

- b. Penalties: Schools that fail to comply with the policy without an approved exception will be subject to penalties, which may include loss of points, or other disciplinary actions as deemed appropriate by the GPS Association.
- 7. Communication
 - a. Notification: All Schools will be informed of the policy and any updates or changes to GPS Flagship Division Sport and Activities schedule.
 - b. Public Announcement: The standard GPS Flagship Division Sport and Activities scheduled times and any approved deviations will be publicly announced through official channels to ensure all stakeholders are informed.
- 8. Review and Amendments

This policy will be reviewed annually to ensure its effectiveness and relevance. Amendments may be made as necessary to address emerging issues or changes in the league's operational environment.