

## NATIONAL FEDERATION OF YOUNG FARMERS' CLUBS

Competitions Programme 2014-15

Status FINAL  
July 2014  
Eliminator

### NFYFC DODGEBALL - MIXED (16-26 years old)

**County Round:** Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2015, at Tuxford School

**Area Round:** Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2015, Skegness

#### Competition Aim

To provide members with the opportunity to take part in a National Dodgeball Competition.

#### Learning outcomes

Dodgeball skills, teamwork, adhering to rules, exercise, fun, winning/losing, personal development skills and improving own performance

#### 1. DATE & VENUE

1.1. After Area Eliminators, the National Final will be held at the Sports Championships – Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2015 in Staffordshire.

#### 2. REPRESENTATION

2.1. Counties may enter one team per 600 members or part thereof in Area Eliminators.

2.2. English Areas and Wales will be represented by one team per 3,000 members or part thereof in the Competition Final.

#### 3. ELIGIBILITY

3.1. A squad of ten (10) players, from whom Six (6) players will be chosen to form a team for each game, which must include a minimum of three (3) girls. All players must be aged 16 years and over and 26 and under on 1st September 2014 (this age range must be adhered to), and full members of a Club affiliated to NFYFC may be nominated.

3.2. Competitors are required *in person* to produce on the day of each round of the competition (County/Area/Regional and National) their current and signed Membership Card, with suitable photograph, or a fine of **£20** will be imposed for non-production.

#### 4. SUBSTITUTION

4.1. If more than half of the original squad members (5 players) are unable to go forward to subsequent rounds, then the next highest placed team from the previous round will represent the Area.

#### 5. LATE WITHDRAWAL OF ENTRIES

5.1. No deposits will be required from county teams prior to the NFYFC final.

5.2. **However**, withdrawals or cancellations made in the two (2) weeks before the day of the final will result in a fine of **£25** to the county federation.

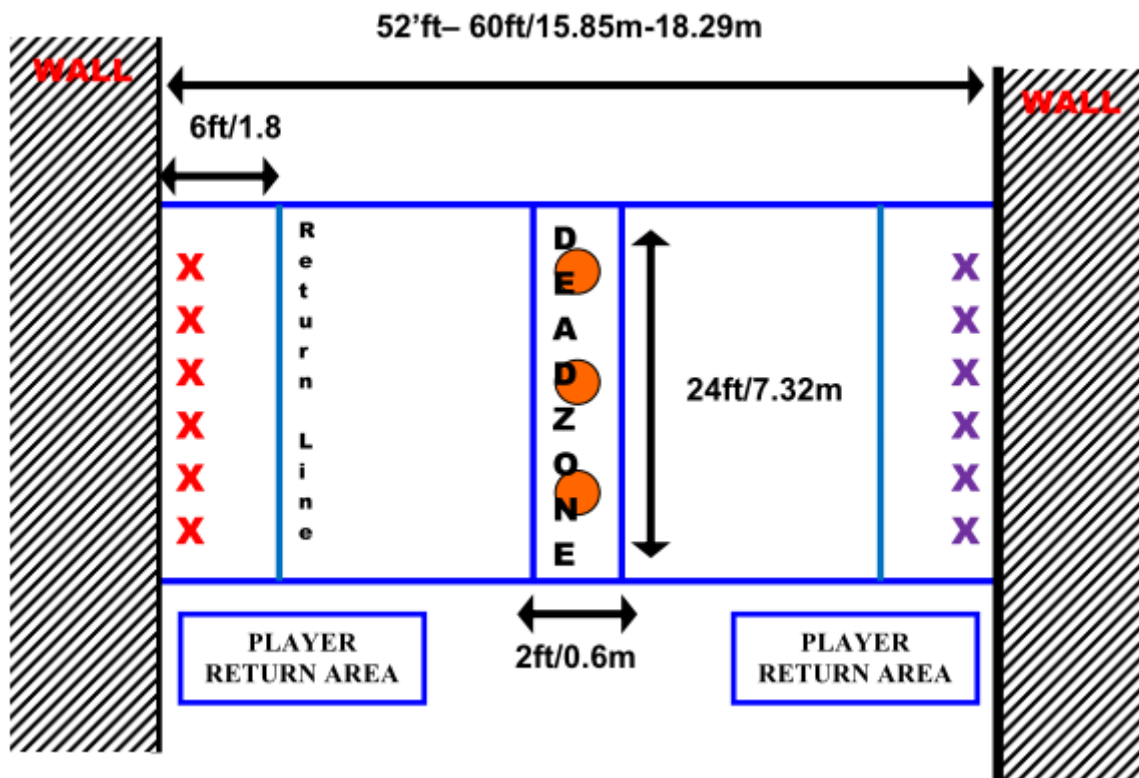
5.3. If a team withdraws within 48 hrs of the start of the competition final a **£40** fine will be issued.

## 6. PROCEDURE

### *Recommended Playing and Administration Rules as laid down by the UK Dodgeball Association*

- 6.1. Each team has 6 players on the court at the start of a game.
- 6.2. Each game lasts for 3 minutes and the match will be the best of 3.
- 6.3. 3 balls are placed in the Dead Zone at the start of a game.
- 6.4. Once the start of the game is signalled by the referee, 3 players from each team run to gain possession of the balls. Balls must be taken or passed to the back of the court before the first attempts are made.
- 6.5. The LEADING team, in the game (the team with the most players on the court), has 5 seconds to throw balls at their opponents, when it has possession of more than 2 balls. Throws must be valid attempts. Leading teams can retain possession of 1 ball.
- 6.6. When you catch a throw from an opposing player, they are out and one of your players comes back in. Players are allowed to fumble a ball while catching; but they must retain possession at the end of the catching action, while remaining on the pitch and without the ball touching any other player or any other ball, object or surface.
- 6.7. Catches bring players who are out back into the game in rotation (First out – first in).
- 6.8. You can use a ball in your possession to block a thrown ball, but you are out if the ball is knocked from your hands when you try to block the incoming ball.
- 6.9. You win a game by putting out all the opposing team, or by having more players left on court at the end of the 3 minute game.
- 6.10. Substitutions are allowed between the 3 minute games
- 6.11. Head shots count – DELIBERATE head shots DO NOT COUNT and the thrower is OUT.
- 6.12. No taunting opponents is allowed
- 6.13. YOU ARE OUT:
  - 6.13.1. When a ball hits you directly, which is thrown by an opponent (clothing counts as part of the player's body)
  - 6.13.2. When an opposing player catches your throw
  - 6.13.3. When you step into the Dead Zone (hands/arms are allowed)
  - 6.13.4. When you touch a boundary line or the floor, wall, barrier over the boundary line or on the opponents side of the court
  - 6.13.5. When the Referee calls you out for any reason. The referees decision is final and no arguing with the officials is allowed and you can be ejected from the match.
- 6.14. Further information and explanation can be found at [www.ukdba.org](http://www.ukdba.org)





## 7. AWARDS

- 7.1. Trophy and NFYFC Prize Cards to the winning team.
- 7.2. NFYFC Prize Cards to teams placed 2nd, 3rd and 4th.
- 7.3. NFYFC Certificate of Achievement will be awarded to all members of teams in the National Final.

## 8. NOTES

- 8.1. **IMPORTANT:** Competitors are reminded to read carefully the General Rules relating to National Competitions if they are taking part in this Competition. These are available from NFYFC or you're County Office.
- 8.2. This competition WILL carry points towards the NFU Trophy.
- 8.3. It is advised to have either St John Ambulance or The British Red Cross with an ambulance in attendance at both County and Area Rounds, and use qualified referees in order to minimise any risk to members

