








## CYBERSAFETY POLICY


 The Eltham Panthers Junior Netball Club has an obligation to maintain a safe physical and emotional environment for club members, registered players, umpires, coaches, parents, spectators and sponsors. This responsibility is increasingly being linked to the use of the Internet and Social Media applications, and has seen the emergence of a number of related Cybersafety issues. The Internet and ICT devices/equipment bring great benefits to all users and to the effective operation of individual clubs.

 The Club places a high priority on the acceptable use of ICT devices/equipment which will benefit members however, it recognises that these technologies can also facilitate anti-social, inappropriate, and even illegal behaviour and activities, therefore, to maximise the benefits of these technologies, while at the same time to minimise the dangers and manage the risks.

 Cyberbullying includes, but is not limited to, the following misuses of technology: harassing, teasing, intimidating, racially vilifying or threatening another person by sending or posting inappropriate and hurtful e-mail messages, instant messages, text messages, phone messages, digital pictures or images, or Web site postings (including social network sites eg. Facebook, Instagram, Twitter or blogs). Club members must also be aware that postings from their individual accounts, whether done by themselves or another person will remain the responsibility of the account owner.

 Any instances reported to the Committee will be investigated and depending on circumstances could lead to match suspension and/or possible deregistration by the Club.

 All members of the club must be aware that in certain circumstances where a crime has been committed, they may also be subjected to a criminal investigation by Police.

 By signing this agreement, you are adhering to the above statements.

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**Player Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Print Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Print Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_