

Barwon Heads Netball Club

Policy Guidelines - Player Selection and Game Time (v2)

Purpose

To clearly articulate the guidelines upon which selection and playing time decisions will be made by the coaches of teams.

Roles

Coaches are accountable for the implementation of this policy.

Any questions regarding the implementation of this policy should be made to the respective coach/es in the first instance. If additional support is required, then any grievance may be raised with the relevant coaching coordinator (junior or senior).

Final accountability for this policy rests with the BHNC Committee.

Intent

The criteria by which playing decisions are made include:

- Assessment of a player's skill level
- Assessment of the best position for a player to contribute to team success
- Consideration of a player's past playing positions
- Commitment to ensuring playing opportunities are shared amongst players.

In all selection decisions, coaches are expected to balance the desire for equal participation of all players with the goal of onfield success for the Club.

Subsequently, as players advance through the age groups and into senior teams, player selection.

TEAM	TEAM SELECTION	PLAYING TIME
A Grade	Based on trial participation and assessment of skills and position	Playing time and position informed determined by assessment of skill and performance level and team success requirements
B Grade	Based on trial participation and assessment of skills and position	Playing time and position determined by assessment of skill and performance level and team success requirements
C Grade	Based on trial participation and assessment of skills and position	Playing time and position determined by assessment of skill and performance level and team success requirements

D Grade	Based on trial participation and assessment of skills and position	Playing time and position determined by assessment of skill and performance level and team success requirements
U19	Based on trial participation and assessment of skills and position	Players selected in positions based on skill and team requirements All players play. Court time will be determined by skill and team contribution During finals, position and court time decisions will be determined by team success requirements
U17 (1 & 2)	Based on trial participation and assessment of skills and position	Players selected in positions based on skill and team requirements All players play. Court time will be determined by skill and team contribution During finals, position and court time decisions will be determined by team success requirements
U15 (1 & 2)	Based on trial participation and assessment of skills and position	Players selected in positions based on skill and team requirements All players will be allocated equal court time During finals, position and court time decisions will be informed by team success requirements
U13 (1, 2 & 3)	Based on trial participation and assessment of skills	All players rotated across positions All players allocated equal court time During finals, position and court time decisions will be informed by team success requirements
U11	Team selection based on equal allocation of players across the team	All players rotated across positions All players allocated equal court time

Additional criteria

Requirements to be selected in a senior team (U19 and above) for BHNC:

- Financial Member of BHNC at the commencement of player trials
- Evidence of player insurance cover (VNA) for the current playing season
- Attendance at pre-season training is strongly encouraged
- Participation in trial and selection sessions (at least two)
- Participation in training throughout the season (at least once per week).

Exceptions

Any exceptions identified and relevant to the criteria above are to be discussed with the relevant team coach with reasonable time for consideration.

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Addendum to Selection and Playing Policy

Junior Selection Policy

Selection

1. Selection Trials will occur over 2 weeks – two selection trials of 1 ½ hours each
2. A third trial of another 1 ½ hours duration may be requested at the coach's/selectors' discretion
3. Final teams will not be selected until the third week of competition. After the third round, all players will be informed officially of the team in which they have been selected.
4. The number of players selected for each team will be nine (9)
5. If selected, it is a club expectation that commitment to the team will be given priority over other pursuits.
6. Any foreseen holidays or events which will result in the player's absence from the team for an extended period, should be notified to the coach/team manager as soon as possible
7. Selection in the team is dependent upon uninterrupted availability for training and matches (unless prior arrangement has been made)
8. Any shortfall in team numbers will be managed by the coach/selectors (and at their discretion) with the option to select a player from another team or age group to fill the vacancy and ensure team balance

Under 11

1. Bottom age Under 11 players must be 9 turning 10 in the current year
2. Top age Under 11 players must be 10 turning 11 in the current year
3. Saturday Under 11 team will be selected under the following guidelines and in this order:
 - Age (and experience)
 - Siblings
4. Players eligible for selection for the Saturday team must have had prior experience (Net Set Go, or previous competition)

Selection - Friday Night Competition

1. Both Under 11 and Under 13 Friday night teams will not have capped team numbers and may need to be rotated at the coach's discretion