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WABL Player Selection Policy

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1. Overview

- 1.1. The player selection policy is provided as the guiding document for the process of player selection for Wanneroo Basketball Association (WBA) representative teams. The WBA will strictly adhere to this policy to select all Western Australian Basketball League (WABL) and State Championship players.

2. Selection Information

- 2.1. Championship teams will be selected regardless of age.
- 2.2. Team 2 will be selected regardless of age.
- 2.3. Overall selection within an age group will consider the balance of bottom age and top age players, with the intention to have it as close to an even split as possible.
 - 2.3.1. The 12.5 team will generally be a double bottom team. There can be a few older players in this team if it is in the best interest of the program.

3. Selection Process

- 3.1. Age group Head Coaches will assist in the selection process.
- 3.2. Coaches' children will be allocated to a team based on ability. Those coaching their children can then be appointed to that team.
- 3.3. In extreme, exceptional circumstances a gifted and talented player may be given an exemption to play up an age group, in line with Basketball Western Australia (BWA) policies. This is only at the discretion of the WBA Selection Panel and cannot be requested by players, parents, or others. National Team selection, selection for an NBL1 Men's or Women's team, and demonstration of skill that is well beyond the age group that the child is eligible for could lead to consideration for playing up an age group.

4. Exemptions & Policies

- 4.1. All tryout absences and exemption requests will be managed in accordance with the WBA WABL Tryout Exemption Policy.

5. Uniforms

- 5.1. Players are NOT permitted to wear representative attire of ANY association, or state attire, to tryouts.
 - 5.1.1. Players who wear representative or state attire to a tryout session will be given a verbal reminder by WBA staff in the first instance and have their name recorded. In the second instance, players will not be allowed to participate in that trial.

NOTE: If players don't have a non-representative reversible, they will be required to bring a dark and light shirt to train in.

6. Mid-Trials Cuts

- 6.1. There will be mid-trial cuts made after the 2nd trial and further cuts made after the 3rd. Final teams will be selected after the 4th/final trial.
- 6.2. Players selected after each cut will be announced on the WBA website and social media within reasonable time.

7. Finalising Team Selections

- 7.1. Following the final trial, the selection panel will finalise the list of players that will make up the full age group squad for State Champs.
- 7.2. Head Coaches for State Championships can provide their feedback on team movement and selection following their respective State Championships.
 - 7.2.1. Head Coaches can send an email with feedback on the team they coached at State Championships to the PCDM at wabl@wolves.asn.au within forty-eight (48) hours of the end of their respective State Championships weekend.
 - 7.2.1.1. Feedback submitted after this time will not be considered. Final selections will be determined by the WBA Selection Panel.
 - 7.2.1.2. The WBA Selection Panel will consider all selectors' feedback. However, final selections will be made in the best interests of the program.

8. Considerations in Team Selection

- 8.1. The WBA Selection Panel is committed to selecting players from each age group to the State Champs squads in the following manner;
 - 8.1.1. Champs Team – the top ten (10) players
 - 8.1.2. Teams 2-6, where applicable - nine (9) players
 - 8.1.3. State Champs Team Announcements:
 - 8.1.3.1. The WBA will post team lists on our website and social media within a reasonable time frame after the final round of trials.
 - 8.1.3.2. Players/parents have one week to pay state champs registration fee to confirm a position on the team.

9. Player Movement

- 9.1. There will be no player movement within the duration of State Champs.
 - 9.1.1. Teams set by the WBA Selection Panel following trials will remain set throughout State Championships.
 - 9.1.2. Exceptions would be considered if illness, injury, or other unavailability requires the movement of players into a different team.
- 9.2. Following State Championships there will be a window of player movement to finalise WABL selections.
- 9.3. The WBA Selection Panel will finalise the team lists for the WABL teams.
- 9.4. Prior to finalizing teams, the WBA Selection Panel will discuss potential changes with coaches.
 - 9.4.1. The WBA Selection Panel will consider Head Coach feedback, when submitted in the required time, regarding final team placements. All player movement will be at the discretion of the WBA Selection Panel

10. Final WABL Team Selection

- 10.1. Following the completion of State Championships and any player movement, final team selections will be for the WABL season.
- 10.2. Teams will be made up of ten (10) players per team.
- 10.3. Final teams for WABL will be announced on the WBA website and social media.

11. Train Ons

- 11.1. The WBA Selection Panel can select “Train On” players to join WABL teams
 - 11.1.1. Train On players will train with their allocated team but are not eligible to play unless they are elevated into a team permanently. This can only happen at the discretion of the WBA.

12. Feedback

- 12.1. If requested, the WBA Selection Panel can provide feedback on players who made it through mid-trials cuts but then did not make a team at all.
 - 12.1.1. The Selection Panel does not provide feedback on players that get cut during mid-trial selections.
 - 12.1.2. Feedback is provided for developmental purposes and does not constitute a review or appeal of the selection decision.
 - 12.1.3. The player/parent will have two weeks following their State Championships team announcements to request feedback.

13. Overarching principles

- 13.1. Where exceptional circumstances arise that are not adequately addressed by this policy, the WBA Selection Panel may determine an appropriate outcome in the best interests of the player and program, provided the decision remains consistent with applicable BWA/WABL rules and policies.
- 13.2. The WBA will align all decisions and policies with Basketball Western Australia (BWA) and WABL. The Rules of Operation and Policies from BWA and WABL are subject to change.