



RSMU

NETBALL CLUB

Senior Selection Policy 2023

Confirmed at 11/09/2017 General Meeting

1. The selection committee for seniors shall comprise:
 - Coaches from each senior grade being A1, A2, B1, B2, C1, C2.
 - All coaches **MUST** attend weekly team selections and if unavailable a proxy must attend in their place eg captain/team manager.
 - The President or Secretary of the RSMU Netball Club. This person will act as the Selectors Convener and will chair the meetings (This person needs to be neutral, ie, not a player, coach or parent of player). This person is unable to vote on selections.
 - Netball Operations Manager;
 - Umpires coordinator may also be required to attend in any given year depending on number of senior teams as the total number of members must be an odd number (not including convenor).
 - All members of the selection committee will meet every week including finals to discuss the teams presented by the respective coaches and finalise selection. If a coach is unable to attend they must send a proxy who is a member of that team eg Captain/Team Manager.
 - The selection committee will commence weekly meetings at the first pre-season trial.
2. Player Registrations received past the cut-off date are at the discretion of the general committee in consultation with the Selection Committee. These players must attend at least 3 trainings before being selected in a team.
3. Pre-season selection of teams will be coordinated by the A1 coach in consultation with the Executive Committee. It is preferable that independent selectors provide input and it will be up to the senior coaches to organize these.
4. In the event of a playing coach or a coach who is the parent of a child who is vying for a position in the relevant team, this person must excuse themselves when they/their daughter is being discussed by the selection committee as a potential team member to ensure impartial selections. The selector's convener will assume voting rights in this situation.
5. The teams are to be selected under the following policy:
 - 5.1 First priority will be given to all registered players on equal grounds if they:
 - a) Attend training;
 - b) Are unable to attend training and have been granted an exemption from the Selection Committee.;
 - c) Are available to play regularly except in circumstances beyond her control eg illness, wedding, funeral, work;
 - e) Are a full financial member by the 3rd game of playing season.
 - f) Abide by the code of conduct.

5.2 Second priority to be given to full financial members not abiding to conditions of 4.1.

5.3 As per our constitution when the above conditions are met, teams are selected on ability.

6. Teams will be selected from A1 down and players cannot state what team they want to play or whom they want to play with, unless it is approved by the Selection Committee.
7. Teams are to be selected prior to the first minor game at the latest, however teams will not be considered final until the date set by NENA, with scope for movement both up and down, for players performing well or poorly.
8. Any decision regarding selection of players, fill-ins, player discipline, must have a majority vote (*or 2/3rds majority vote*), with the Selectors Convener having the casting vote where necessary.
9. Players eligible for 15U will trial with all senior netballers, but will be selected in the 15U team based on age eligibility (eg high school girls, not turning older than 15 in year of competition.)
Exceptions to this rule are:
 - a) On occasions where too many players are eligible for 15U under, stronger players regardless of age will be selected in senior teams.
 - b) Where insufficient numbers are available to fulfill a whole 15U team, players in 13U may be selected to fill the 15U side, where numbers in 13U grades permit.
10. In the event that a child is not best suited to the grade that their age dictates, the junior coordinator, relevant junior coaches, parent or caregiver of junior, informed committee member, previous coach and president will decide whether it is in the best interest of the junior player to apply to the association for an exemption.
11. All correspondence/grievances in relation to team selections prior to season commencement must go through the Selectors Convenor in writing. During the season, the player should approach their coach in the first instance, however if the issue remains unresolved in the players mind, they may converse with the Selectors Convener or Netball Operations Manager to raise the issue on their behalf at a selection meeting.