

Policy Statement

Each year, to assist with the development of players and to broaden their netball experience, Waverley District Netball Association (WDNA) will review the availability of country, interstate and international tournaments (tournament) and select one in which the selected representative players will compete in.

- 1. Competition Selection
 - 1.1 The Tournament Selection officer will provide a list of prospective tournaments to attend to WDNA by November in the year prior to when the tournament will be held
 - 1.2 WDNA will select the tournament to be attended prior to the end of the team selection process
- 2. Team entry selection
 - 2.1 The Tournament Selection officer will recommend to WDNA the team/s to be entered in the selected tournament by November in the year prior to when the tournament will be held
 - 2.2 The team/s selected by the Tournament Selection officer will always be the A (firsts) team in the age group or groups
 - 2.3 Teams in the 13 & under age group will not be considered for interstate or international tournaments but may be considered in a country tournament
 - 2.4 All teams selected are to attend the same tournament
 - 2.5 WDNA after receiving the recommendation from the Tournament Selection officer will select the teams to attend prior to the end of the team selection process
- 3. Player Selection
 - 3.1 If the tournament being attended requires more than one overnight stay, then a minimum of 10 players for each team must be selected and attend the tournament. If the tournament is international, then a minimum of 12 players must be selected and attend the tournament. WDNA encourage the selection of 12 players for both interstate and international tournaments
 - 3.2 The playing group selected for each team attending the tournament will be the A (firsts) team in the age group selected
 - 3.3 At least 75% to 80% of the current 'A' team must be available to attend the tournament. If enough players from the current 'A' team are not available, the team will not be entered into the tournament
 - 3.4 If additional players are required to meet the minimum number attending (different to the minimum % of current team), then players of an adequate skill level from within the representative teams are to be considered
 - 3.5 Players competing in the WDNA Saturday competition can also be considered for selection if players are not available from the initial selected teams
 - 3.6 If additional players are required but players of a suitable strength, skill and development are not available then consideration needs to be made of not attending the selected tournament
 - 3.7 Any player, players or parents displaying poor sportsmanship or bullying leading up to the tournament will be disqualified or their child disqualified from attending the tournament. A refund will not be available.

3.8 Any player that attends the tournament displays poor sportsmanship or bullying will be sent home at the cost of the parents and will be no longer be able to participate in our representative team program

4. Equipment

- 4.1 All equipment required by the teams will be supplied by the WDNA
- 4.2 If any new standard equipment is required, WDNA will bear the cost
- 4.3 First aid supplied will be supplied by WDNA
- 5. Coach selection
 - 5.1 Application to coach the team/s attending the tournament will be open to all Representative Team coaches and coaches from the association
 - 5.2 Preference will be given to the appointed coach of the WDNA night team to attend the tournament
 - 5.3 Application to assistant coach the team/s attending the tournament will be open to all Representative Team coaches and coaches from the association
 - 5.4 The leading coach selected will be included in the process to select the assistant coach
- 6. Team entry costs
 - 6.1 Team entry costs of up to \$500 per team will be funded by the WDNA
 - 6.2 Any team entry costs in excess of \$500 per team will be funded by the players participating unless WDNA agree to pay the full cost

7. Player costs

7.1 All costs associated will accommodation, meals and entertainment will be funded by the players participating

7.2 A deposit of at least one quarter of the overall estimated cost will be required to be paid by each participant to confirm attendance

7.3 Special consideration can be made to the WDNA if a player is not financially able to pay the deposit

7.4 Fundraising will be available to assist in the costs associated with attending the tournament7.5 If a player is unable to attend, after the commitment to attend has been made, anyfundraising completed by that player will remain with WDNA

7.6 An application to receive a refund of the deposit made must be made to WDNA in writing 7.7 Consideration must be given to the reason why the player is no longer available to attend when calculating the refund (if any) to be paid

7.8 A replacement player must be found, and the costs associated to attend the tournament paid by the replacement player. The fund-raising amount already raised by the player no longer attending may be allocated to the replacement player

8. Coach costs

- 8.1 The appointed coach and assistant coach are not expected to pay the costs associated with attending the tournament
- 8.2 The appointed coach and assistant coach are expected to participate in the fund-raising events
- 8.3 Application can be made to WDNA to pay or assist in the costs associated with sending the coaches to the tournament
- 8.4 WDNA are to fund at least half the total costs of sending coaches to the tournament
- 9. Fundraising
 - 9.1 Application can be made to WDNA to run two sausage sizzles at the Saturday competition
 - 9.2 Other fund-raising events are to be coordinated by the playing group attending the tournament and the parents
 - 9.3 All funds raised must be deposited into the WDNA bank account
- 10. Changes to the policy

9.1 Minor variations can be made to the policy in relation to player selection, coach selection and player costs on a majority vote of the voting members of the WDNA Executive Committee without changing/amending the policy document.