

Northern Region School Sport Selection and Game Time Policy



The objective of the Northern Region Trial is to select a Regional Team to perform at its highest level of ability.

Criteria for the Selection of Regional Teams

The major criteria for selection in the Northern Region team shall be performance of the student at the Regional Trial. Areas to be considered shall include:

- The level of skills exhibited by the student
- The fitness level exhibited by the student
- The performance of the student as a member of the team
- The attitude and behaviour of the student on and off the field
- The age of the student

Selectors

- Each district participating at Regional Trials may nominate one teacher to act as selector.
- Nominated selectors will form a panel, which will be chaired by the Regional Coach.
- Where a selection decision is deadlocked, the Regional Coach will have a casting vote.

The Selection Process

- Selectors should have a current list of player's names/members for each District.
- Selectors must determine prior to the start of playing what the criteria are for selecting Regional team members.
- When possible, Selectors are required to sit together to observe participants.
- The recommended numbers of students (starting side and reserves) must be selected along with an appropriate number of shadow players.
- Those shadow players may/may not be announced at the discretion of the coach.
- Squads must not be named.
- If shadow players are named, they may be invited to train with the Regional Team. However, it must be clearly explained that a shadow player's attendance at Regional Team training is voluntary and does not guarantee an invitation to join the Team should there be a withdrawal.
- If a player withdraws from the team, the replacement player must have competed at the Regional Trial.

Eligibility for Selection

To be eligible for selection in the Northern Regional Team players must have participated in the Northern Trial. If a player is unable to participate they may be eligible for exemption through completion of the *Absentee Application for Exemption* form. Grounds to be considered for exemption;

- Injury or illness (Medical Certificate Required)
- Absence due to competing at a higher level sport / another Northern School Sport Trial
- Absence due to competing in QSS (State) or SSA (National) team in a different sport
- Bereavement or Compassionate reasons

Having this application approved does not guarantee selection in the Northern team, it means the student is eligible for selection.

Game Time Policy at State Championship

It is Northern Region School Sport policy that players receive a minimum of 50% game time across the State Championship. Team officials are required to maintain adequate game time records to validate this.

