



SWQ Swans

2016 Player Eligibility & Selection Policy

(Juniors)

2016 Junior State Champs

- To be considered for selection for this tournament, players **must**:
 - Participate for their affiliate at the Swans Junior Cup – Toowoomba, Sunday, 24/04/16.
 - Have played a minimum of 7 games in either a junior or senior affiliated competition in Season 2 (2015) or Season 1 (2016) for the SWQ affiliate they are representing at the Swans Junior Cup.
 - Be fully financial with all affiliated bodies.
- If a player is unable to participate at the Swans Junior Cup, exemption may be granted in the following instances:
 - **Injury** – prior to the Swans Junior Cup, the player must provide the administrator of SWQ Touch with a copy of their medical certificate together with a letter / email indicating they wish to be considered for SWQ selection.
 - **Participation in a school program or camp** – prior to the Swans Junior Cup, the player must provide the administrator of SWQ Touch with a letter from their school confirming their participation in the program or camp.
 - **Participation in a state or national sporting event** – the player must provide the administrator of SWQ Touch with proof of participation in that sporting event.
 - **No affiliate team** – players can still be considered for selection if their affiliate does not nominate a team in their division but they must notify SWQ Touch Association (in writing) of their interest by Friday, 15/04/16.
- Players will only be considered for the division of their current age. For example, players who are 14 years old will not be considered for the 16 and under division.
- A selection panel consisting of the coach, assistant coach, manager and a selector will be appointed by SWQ Touch Association to the U12, U14 and U16 divisions at the Swans Junior Cup.
- Squads containing a maximum of 22 players and a minimum of 16 players will be selected for each division, with the details to be provided by the coach of each team to the administrator of SWQTA by no later than Tuesday, 26/04/16. The administrator will then check the list to ensure that the players named meet all administrative requirements. Once confirmed, the squad details will be posted on the SWQTA website www.swqtouch.com by no later than Friday, 29/04/16.
- Due to the players' involvement for their affiliates in a significant number of junior events from late April to mid - July, the first training run for each of our teams will be held on Sunday, 17/07/16, at Kearney's Spring, Toowoomba. At the completion of this training run, the coaching staff of each team (i.e. coach, assistant coach & manager) will be required to select and announce their final team. For the U12 divisions, a minimum of 12 and a maximum of 14 players are to be selected into the team, plus 2 shadow players. For the U14 and U16 divisions, each team will consist of 14 players (no more, no less), plus 2 shadows. Once the teams have been announced, the selected players (exc. shadows) will undertake uniform fittings and immediately provide their team manager with their requirements.



- The coaching staff from each team are required to provide the administrator of SWQTA with details about their team's training schedule (i.e. venues, dates and times) and uniform order by no later than Monday, 18/07/16. Each team's training schedule will then be posted on the SWQTA website. If there are any changes to the schedule, the coaching staff must immediately notify the administrator of SWQTA. When deciding on the training schedule, consideration must be given to the distances that players are required to travel, etc, to ensure that no player is adversely affected.
- Players who are selected to represent SWQ must meet all training and financial commitments.

2016 National Youth Champs

- To be considered for selection for this tournament, players must:
 - Play 7 games in the one division at an SWQ affiliated competition in either Season 1 or Season 2 immediately prior to the event;
 - Be fully financial with all affiliated bodies;
 - Register for selection (when the registration process opens) and then attend any scheduled muster.
- Exemption **may** be granted in the following circumstances if a player is unable to meet the 7 games criteria:
 - **Injury** - the injured player must provide the SWQ Regional Administrator with a medical certificate which states the nature of the injury and the period of incapacity. Exemption **will not** be granted if it is established that the player has been participating in other sports during the period covered by this medical certificate.
 - **Home Grown** - this status may be applied to players who have moved away from our region and who no longer have reasonable access to participation at an SWQ affiliated competition. In this instance, recognition of home grown status may be granted to players who were developed at an SWQ affiliate prior to their departure from our region. However, the player must still be playing in a TFA affiliated competition and have played 7 games in either Season 1 or Season 2 prior to the event.
- The team will be selected by a panel consisting of the coach, assistant coach and manager following the muster and the details provided to SWQ Touch Association within 5 days. Information relating to the team's training schedule is also to be included.
- **Player Pool** - the player pool is usually offered at this tournament whereby players can nominate and teams can make application for players. Our policy is as follows:
 - Players from our region can nominate for this pool if we have been unable to field a team. However, SWQ Touch will only consider endorsing that nomination if the player has previously registered to be considered for SWQ selection for this tournament.
 - SWQ Touch may access the pool if any of our teams need players but this will only happen after all eligible players from our region have been given the opportunity to participate. If players are required, the team's coaching staff must contact the SWQ Regional Administrator to discuss their specific requirements. If it is agreed that pool players are needed, the administrator will be responsible for making application to the relevant body.