



SCHOOL SPORT WA INTERSTATE LAWN BOWLS

- Selection Policy -



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QUALIFYING STANDARDS

The School Sport WA team members participating in the School Sport Australia Championship will need to match both qualifying standards:

- Be eighteen (18) years and under on December 31st of the year of the Championship.
- Be a full time secondary or TAFE student attending a recognised educational institution within WA.

PRE TRIAL PROCESS

In order to select the players for the team, the following will apply:

- Players must complete the official SSWA nomination form found online at www.schoolsportwa.com.au.
- Players must pay the required trial fee to SSWA.

SELECTORS

- The State Team Coach/es shall administer the selection process.
- The Touring officials shall be the principal selectors. This does not preclude the coach/es from seeking additional selectors outside of this group for all or parts of the selection process.
- Selectors shall reach decisions by consensus wherever possible. If consensus cannot be reached, the State Team coach/es have the responsibility of the selection call for these players.
- No selector shall be involved in the selection of any player who is directly related to them and as a result this selection will be based on the other selectors opinions only.

TRIALS SPECIFIC INFORMATION

- Trial dates and venues are determined by the team officials and SSWA.
- The number of players carried through from each trial to the next is at the discretion of the selectors.
- Attendance at all trials is required unless exceptional circumstances apply and prior permission is sought wherever possible from the coach/es. o This information will remain with the coach/es and selectors only and not be communicated to others in the trial for privacy reasons.
- Trials may incorporate skill drills for players but will be based predominately around match play.

- Selectors reserve the right to trial players in a singles or team combination format.
- Selectors shall consider all attributes of the game including (but not limited to) physical ability, technical skill, tactical sense and player attitude.
- When selecting the final team of 10 players, selectors will be asked to consider the balance of the squad with reference to each player's game attributes.
- The State Team coach/es may advise selected players (that include country players) that they may miss certain trials or training sessions due to travel, school or other player welfare concerns.
- The selectors reserve the right to bring players in at any stage of the selection, squad or team process.

TEAM SELECTION

- The team officials will use the SSWA trial dates, to help guide their selection but are not restricted to this format alone.
 - o Team officials may use at their discretion Lawn Bowls WA fixtures, Lawn Bowls Australia national events and any other Lawn bowl event to help guide their selection.
- Players will compete for the final places in a series of competitive matches before the final selection of the member team.

Misbehaviour

- If a player exhibits inappropriate behaviour, a plan of action will be stated and this may also mean exclusion from the team. Parents will be informed of this decision.
- If exclusion is enforced, monies paid to that point in time may be lost by the player to commit to team needs. A meeting will be called with the respective parents and player and informed of this decision prior to exclusion.

AWARDS

- Awards are granted to the following:
 - o Captain/s
 - o SSWA Medal winners
- The Captain/s may be selected from lead up events to the National Championship and will express the leadership and attitudinal efforts required of a team leader linked to SSWA. The final selection may come from opinions expressed by the:
 - o The players themselves
 - o The coaching staff and tour manager

- The SSWA Medal winners will be an accumulation of votes/opinions given to players across the National Championship that reflect on and off field performances. These votes/opinions may come from one or more of the following:
 - o The players themselves
 - o The coaching staff and tour manager
 - o Championship official

- These votes/opinions are accumulated and may not reflect the National Team selection announcements.