



OAKDALE NETBALL CLUB

PO Box 10256, Adelaide BC SA 5000

Trials and Selection Policy

Note – this policy informs trials from Senior to Sub Primary Grading

Athletes nominating for Premier League Teams/ Squad is a separate selection process.

Oakdale Netball Club, here known as 'the Club', is a member of Netball SA and consistently has high representation in every grade in AMND Winter and City Night Summer competitions. Our teams are represented in the first division of every grade including State Premier League, AMND League, Inter 1, Junior 1, Sub Junior 1 and Primary 1.

The Club's development programs and its pathway status to Premier League attract additional athletes to the Club from a variety of Clubs, ensuring a strong depth of athlete ability. High numbers of athlete's trial across all grades and are placed in teams according to the availability of coaches.

From season to season athletes progress to new teams and divisions. An athlete placement is affected by a number of conditions including:

- Their skill development relative to other athletes competing for the same position;
- Relative changes in physical development and agility and maturity in decision making;
- Different skills, abilities and understandings required in a higher grade if trialling in that grade for the first time and observed potential for flexibility and quick response to change

Registrations

1. Trial registrations are to be completed online through 'MyNetball' website.
2. Information and **link to Oakdale Registrations for 'MyNetball'** are available on the Club's website. Full fees are required when registering.
3. Athletes are expected to nominate for their eligible age group. Requests nominating to trials in an above age will be considered at the discretion of the relevant Club official/s.
4. It is the athletes' responsibility to ensure the correspondence is emailed correctly as **no receipt will be issued** by the Club.
5. Late registrations received **after the closing date** will incur a \$25 processing fee. Registration received **after the first trial** will be considered at the discretion of the relevant Club official/s.
6. All further communication and correspondence is through the Clubs secretary will be sent to the nominated athletes email address. The Club will not accept responsibility for lack of notice due to advice of incorrect information.
7. For further clarification of this process email the club secretary at secretary@oakdalenetballclub.com.au

Trials and Selection Procedures

Are supported by:

1. A panel of selectors whose role is to recommend athlete selections into teams and or squads.
2. A team of pencilors whose role is to provide games/teams to take to the court and have **no role in athlete's team placements**. Every effort is made for athletes to play in their preferable positions and have equal time on court over the course of all trials.
3. Club officials all whom have specific roles on the day.

Athlete Selections

1. Selections are based on an athletes nominated preferable positions with consideration to knowledge, demonstrated skills, attitude and behaviours.
2. A total of 9 athletes are to be selected for each team, with the flexibility to have 10 athletes in the lower 3 teams in each division. The best athlete for each position is selected first and the remaining 2 or 3 places are based on utility (GS/GA GK/GD) or combinations (work well with the different athletes).
3. A 'Club athlete' is given the first opportunity to be placed with new athletes considered according to:
 - their knowledge demonstrated skills and attitude based on their preferable positions
 - the Clubs team requirements and Talent Identified Athletes (TIA)



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4. Squads maybe deemed the most appropriate and further selections will be made at a later nominated date.
5. Registered athletes must communicate in writing an inability to participate in trials
6. Following the Club's policies and or guidelines Talent Identified Athletes may be offered a team in negotiation with the relevant coordinator and Club official
7. Should an athlete not participate in trials due to injury require a medical certificate. This athlete will be tentatively placed, and a review of their placement will occur once a medical clearance has been provided.

Post Selections

Notifications of Team Placements

1. Athletes are informed via their nominated address prior to the season commencing and will include team placement, team members and coach details (when available) and any outstanding fees
2. All athletes must respond by the nominated receipted timeframes to accept or decline a team offer. A lack of response will be presumed as a declined offer.
3. Final team placements will be confirmed on payment of season fees unless alternative arrangements have been made with the Treasurer.
4. Athletes will not be placed if they have not officially registered and paid the trials fee (unless otherwise negotiated with the Treasurer).

Clarification and Grievances

5. Parents/athletes seeking further clarification or information about selection procedures will be referred to the relevant policies that are available on the Club's website.
6. Upon receipt of grievances in writing will be forward to the appropriate Club official and will be followed up within 10 to 14 working days. All correspondence and communication are held in confidence.

Wait Listed Athletes

7. Athletes who are not placed immediately will be placed on a 'wait list' and may be:
 - invited to a position in a team as/when one becomes available
 - invited to training which may include pre-season
 - placed in the lowest team after completion of trials
8. Registered athletes unable to trial may be placed, in negotiation with the relevant coordinator and or Club official and agreed upon by the Club's executive committee.

Alterations to Athlete Team Offers

9. In the event of vacancies and late withdrawals the selection panel /lead selector and relevant Club official/s will discuss the position to be filled and identify potential available athlete/s to be moved into the team
10. Athlete movement after acceptances between teams is sometimes necessary and will be done so following Club policies, procedures and guidelines with the relevant Club officials. All alternation will be in writing via the Club secretary.

Reference

'mynetball', Netball Australia website www.my.netball.com.au cited July 2018

This policy is reviewed and endorsed by the Committee of the Oakdale Netball Club.

Last reviewed and updated by F Syrus July 2018

Signed:

Paul Jeffries President of Oakdale Netball Club

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